

Tee-rific Plans for Bolton

A big sporting event could be heading to Greater Manchester in England. Leaders there are planning a bid to bring the famous Ryder Cup to Bolton in 2035. The Ryder Cup is one of the biggest golf competitions in the world. It is a team event where the best players from Europe play against the best players from the USA. They use clubs to hit small white balls into holes across a giant grass course. The event could be held at a new golf resort planned for Hulton Park in Bolton. The course has not been built yet, but the plans include space for thousands of people to come and watch. Andy Burnham, a leader for the region, said the event could bring visitors, jobs



Pictured: A golf ball on the tee. **Source:** Canva.

and new opportunities to the area. Professional golfer, Tommy Fleetwood, also supports the idea. He said, 'To do it in the northwest of England, where I am from, would be amazing.' The Ryder Cup began in 1927 and is watched by many people around the world. If the bid is successful, it would be the first time the event has been held in Greater Manchester. **How old will you be if the Ryder Cup comes to Bolton in 2035?**

Train Sleepover!

A new overnight train route will soon travel across four countries in Europe, giving people another way to journey... while they sleep! The train will run from Brussels to Milan, passing through Germany and Switzerland. Travellers can hop on in the evening and wake up the next morning in a completely different country!



Pictured: A sleeper carriage on an overnight train. **Source:** Canva.

The service will begin on 9th September 2026 and run a few nights each week. Night trains have special carriages where people can sit or lie down to rest, so passengers can sleep as the train rolls through the night. The route passes through cities such as Zurich and travels through mountain areas before reaching northern Italy. This means passengers wake up to brand-new views outside their window! The train was first planned to start earlier, but the date was moved to September to make sure everything is ready to run smoothly. **Would you like to fall asleep on a train and wake up somewhere new?**

What makes something fun?



I enjoy doing activities with my friends and family. We always laugh together!

Beth

Rainy Reveal

Seattle Department of Transportation has recently commissioned some exciting artwork that is designed to appear when it rains, at their new Beacon Hill Plaza bus stop. The pedestrian area, in Washington state, North America, now displays the artwork of Rainworks. Rainworks is the company that has created a coating for the ground that makes the art of inspiring phrases, shapes, and patterns invisible when dry, but visible



Pictured Artwork that can only be seen when the pavement is wet. **Source:** Rainworks on Facebook.

when wet! The coating has been used to spray a couple of sea lions, an orca, a giant wave, and a 25-foot maze. 'Seattle has such a deep connection with rain. It's integral to the culture and the personality of the city,' said Peregrine Church, Rainworks founder. 'There's also a lot of really kind, caring, passionate people here. And so, I like to think about Rainworks representing both of those things. Yes, it's a rainy city. Yes, we have dreary days. But we're also making the best of it.'

Do you think seeing artwork appear would cheer up your rainy day? What design would you add to the pavement to try to make people smile?



Community Climate Change Fund

Staffordshire Moorlands District Council has made grants of between £400 and £5,000 available for community-based projects that help tackle climate change and support nature recovery. The local authority said that the aim of the funding is to mobilise local groups and encourage people to work together on green projects, such as tree-planting, transport schemes or recycling projects. Since 2021, around 40 groups have benefited from the Community Climate Change and Nature Fund. This includes a



Pictured: Planting a tree. **Source:** Canva.

tree-planting scheme run by Dane Valley Climate Action Group, a green arts festival run by Moorlands Climate Action, and a weed pull and litter pick arranged by Longnor Action Group. The next round of applications can be submitted between 1st April and 31st May. Nigel Yates, the local councillor responsible for the environment, said, 'By providing community-led schemes with these grants we're making sure people can take action at a very local level.'

Do you think grants are a good way to inspire community action against climate change? Do you know how to plant a tree?

What makes something fun?



I love learning new dance moves. I find it fun to dance a new routine with my classmates.

Anthony

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