

Paddington Takes a Bow!

Paddington Bear is now starring in his very own musical at the Savoy Theatre in London, England. Children and adults can watch him begin his journey in Peru, travel to London, and join the Brown family – with plenty of funny moments along the way!

Paddington is well known for loving marmalade sandwiches, and the show includes lots of music, bright costumes, and a few sticky marmalade surprises. The songs are written by Tom Fletcher, an author and singer.

The Paddington in the musical looks like the one from the first books, written in 1958. The designers looked at the old pictures to help them create the

Pictured: A jar of orange marmalade, Paddington Bear's favourite sandwich topping!

Source: Canva.



bear for the stage.

People who have seen the musical say it is cheery and makes them smile. One person called it 'jaw-droppingly good'. Another said, 'it tells a really important story' about kindness and welcoming others. If you could go to the show, would you take a marmalade sandwich for the interval?

Do you know where Paddington Bear keeps his marmalade sandwiches?

Black Friday or Buy Nothing Day?

Friday 28th November is 'Black Friday'. Many shops have big sales on this day, and lots of people buy presents, toys, or things for their home. Some people enjoy finding a bargain, and shops can get very busy. But the same day is also called



Pictured: A Black Friday Sale sign.
Source: Canva.

'Buy Nothing Day', when people choose not to buy anything all day. Instead, they might go for a walk, play a game, or spend time with friends and family.

People who follow Buy Nothing Day say it helps them think about what they really need, rather than just buying something because it is cheaper on sale. Others say Black Friday can be fun and helpful if you are saving up for something special.

Both happen on the same date, so everyone can choose what feels right for them.

What would you prefer the idea of – Black Friday or Buy Nothing Day?

What would you tell world leaders if you were at COP30?



I would tell world leaders to all make sure they keep ALL their promises!

Connie

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Driverless Electric Bus

Passengers have been able to board a driverless electric bus at Casa de Campo park in Madrid, Spain! After five years of testing, the vehicle has entered the real-world phase of the experiment with driverless vehicles for public transport. The 100% electric, caterpillar-shaped vehicle operated for ten days during five busy hours, driving around to pick up passengers at six stops. The bus was developed by the Madrid Transit Authority (EMT) and Automotive Technology Centre of Galicia (CTAG). The vehicle is described as fully



Pictured: People boarding the CTAG Autonomous Shuttle during tests.
Source: EMT Madrid on Facebook.



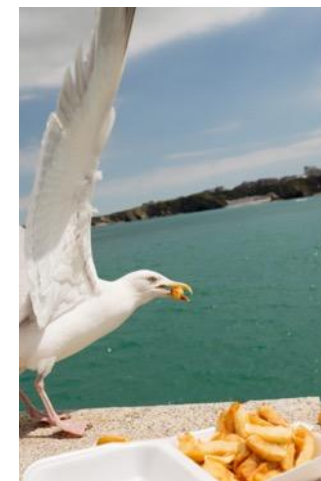
Pictured: CTAG Autonomous Shuttle.
Source: EMT Madrid on Facebook.

autonomous, and capable of detecting things it may need to brake for, such as people, animals, crossings, stop signs, traffic lights, and roundabouts. Developers say it can make decisions on when to brake, accelerate, turn, and open/close the doors. A safety officer has been on board throughout, just in case. 'This bus is one of the best I have ever tested,' said César Omar Chacón Fernández from EMT. 'It behaves very well dynamically. Let's say that the technology is very well integrated, it doesn't behave erratically or robotically like other buses. The vehicle detects any object, from a bicycle to an animal, and reacts accordingly to avoid collisions. It is a fully autonomous line, but we never leave anything to chance.'

Do you enjoy bus rides?
Do you think you would use this bus?

Shout at Stealing Seagulls

A recent study has shown that seagulls trying to steal food can be scared away by simply shouting. Researchers from the University of Exeter tested 61 herring gulls in nine seaside towns in Cornwall. They played recordings of a male voice shouting, 'No, stay away, that's my food!', along with recordings of the same words being spoken instead, and also the neutral birdsong of a robin, all at the same volume. The scientists experimented to find the best way to stop the birds from snacking on a box of chips on the ground. Dr Neeltje Boogert, from the university, commented, 'Normally, when someone is shouting, it's scary



Pictured: A seagull.
Source: Canva.

because it's a loud noise, but in this case, all the noises were the same volume, and it was just the way the words were being said that was different. So, it seems that gulls pay attention to the way we say things, which we don't think has been seen before in any wild species, only in those domesticated species that have been bred around humans for generations, such as dogs, pigs and horses.'

How would you stop a seagull from trying to eat your food?

What would you tell world leaders if you were at COP30?



I want them to talk about clean air and how to sort our rubbish properly so there is no more rubbish in the sea.

Ralph

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