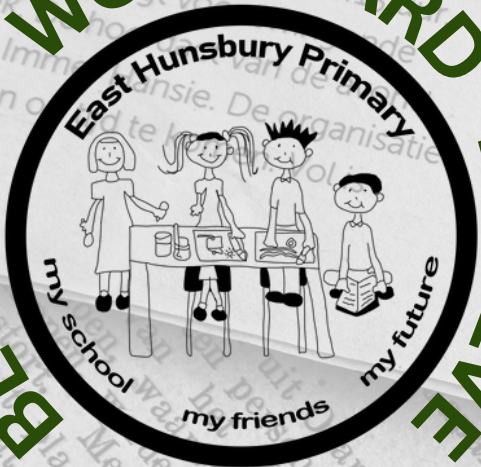


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Carpet of Flowers

Every two years, the city of Brussels in Belgium creates something truly magical—a giant flower carpet! This special event happens in the Grand Place, a big square in the middle of the city. The flower carpet is made entirely of colourful flowers and it's so huge that it covers the entire square! The Brussels Flower Carpet is a tradition that started in 1971. Each time, the carpet has a different design, often inspired by different cultures or important events. It takes hundreds of volunteers to carefully place nearly a million flowers on the ground to make the beautiful patterns. The flowers are laid out in just a few hours, and the carpet is on display for a few days. The city

celebrates with music, lights, and even fireworks at night! The flowers smell wonderful, and the bright colours make the square look like a giant painting. The Brussels Flower Carpet is not only a stunning sight but also a way for people to come together and celebrate the beauty of nature. It's a tradition that makes everyone smile!



Pictured: The beautiful flower carpet on display in the Grand Place, Brussels. **Source:** @rintervention, on X.

Lobster Rescue!

In Colorado, USA, a very rare orange lobster has been found at a restaurant. While going through the usual food shipments, Jose Romero was surprised to see the bright orange crustacean looking up at him! We often think of lobsters as being red or orange because that's the colour they turn when they're cooked. However, most live lobsters are actually a dark, bluish-green or brown colour. This colour comes from a mix of pigments in their shells. Scientists say that only about one in thirty million lobsters are orange, making Jose's lobster

very unique! Instead of being cooked and served as a meal, the restaurant decided to save the orange lobster. They knew it was too special to be eaten! The lobster has been given a new home at a nearby aquarium, where people can visit and see it up close.



Pictured: A typically-coloured live lobster. **Source:** Canva.

Are all jobs equal?



Some jobs might seem more important than others, but each person's job is important to them.

Harry

Super Surfing Photography

This summer's Olympic surfing events have produced lots of amazing photos! Talented adventure and sport photographer, Jerome Brouillet, captured the two fabulous images shown here. Taken first was the image to the right of Brazil's Gabriel Medin, seeming to levitate above the ocean with his arm raised in the air! This photo went viral, causing a huge response. Also shot was a second very popular image of a whale photobombing the Tahiti semi-final of the competition, as Tatiana Weston-Webb from Brazil and Brisa Hennessy of Costa Rica took to the water. The French Polynesian island, where the



Pictured: Brazil's Gabriel Medin, seeming to levitate above the ocean. **Source:** Jerome Brouillet Photography on X.

2024 Olympic surfing competition was held, is almost 10,000 miles away from the host city, Paris. The location was chosen for its world-famous waves and amazing scenery. 'This is a magical place, and the waves in Teahupo'o are breathtaking,' said Paris 2024 President, Tony Estanguet, after a visit to the event site. 'Our vision has always been to provide the most spectacular conditions for the surfers and the sport. I have no doubt that Tahiti will deliver on that vision.'

Do you enjoy taking photographs? What would be your dream photography project?



Pictured: A whale photobombing the Tahiti surfing semi-final. **Source:** Jerome Brouillet Photography on X.

'Twinverclyde'

Inverclyde, located in the west central Lowlands of Scotland, has been given the nickname 'Twinverclyde' due to the number of twins who have been born there in recent years. The local council of one of Scotland's smallest regions announced that ten sets of twins have started school in Primary 1 this year. 2024 marks the fourth year in a row that the number of twins starting their first year of primary school has been in double figures. Local authorities reported that more than 150 twins have attended school in the area since 2013! Lord Provost, Drew McKenzie, said, 'It's something to be celebrated! And we're quite lucky that we're in Inverclyde, because "Twinverclyde" fits in quite well with that - there's a lot of local authorities who couldn't do that.' Margaret Campbell-Black, mum of



Pictured: Six sets of twins sitting on the 'singing steps' at St Patrick's Primary in Greenock, before starting school. **Source:** Inverclyde Council on Facebook.

twins Demi Rose and Nicole Ann, who started school at St Patrick's Primary recently, said, 'I'm emotional about them starting school but they're so ready for it. I think because they've got each other I'm not worrying as much as I would if it was just one of them. Although they're different and very individual and they have different friends, they can look out for each other.'

Can you think of a fitting nickname for your local area?

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No, if you are passionate about your job and work hard to be the best you can be, it is worth more than a job someone doesn't try hard at.

Laura

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