# The Pilgrims' Post



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# **WORLD NEWS**

# **Sudan civil war**By George St Y7



Recently, people in Sudan have been evacuated due to the concerns about safety. Our recent Prime Minister Rishi Sunak has said his government has commenced a "large-scale" evacuation effort to help British nationals leave strifetorn Sudan from April 25. SAS troops have been sent to get British diplomats and their families out of wartorn Sudan. The Prime Minister's official spokesperson said: "The first flight has left, and you can expect that there will be at least two more flights overnight tonight but that is subject to change." He added: "We now have approximately 120 British forces at the airfield

supporting the delivery of the evacuation of nationals and dual nationals through the airport.

#### War in Ukraine

Recently in Ukraine: Reporters say Ukrainian troops have set up positions on the east bank of the Dnipro River in southern Kherson region.

The region is partially Russian-held and crossing the river could be significant in future offensives.

The US-based Institute for the Study of War says Russian military bloggers have posted "enough geolocated footage and text reports to confirm" the advance. BBC Ukraine says its military sources have reported a "certain movement across [the] Dnipro" near Kherson city.

Ukraine's military has not confirmed the movement, while Russia has denied the reports. But if the reports that Ukraine has secured an enduring presence on the east bank are correct, it could be significant in helping Kyiv drive Russian troops back.

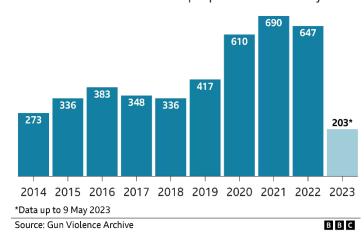
#### **US** shootings

In the US, the number of mass shootings are rising as we speak. More than 200 mass shootings have occurred from the beginning of January this year!

Did you know that 48,830 people died from gunrelated injuries in the US during 2021 - that is an 8% increase from 2020. This photo below shows the number of mass shootings that have taken place in the last ten years.

#### Mass shootings in the US have risen

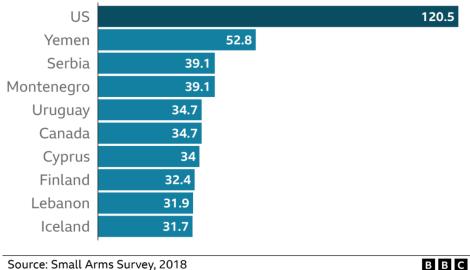
Incidents in which four or more people were killed or injured



#### How many guns are there in the US?

#### Top 10 civilian gun-owning countries

Estimated number of firearms per 100 residents



Source: Small Arms Survey, 2018

While calculating the number of guns in private hands around the world is difficult, the latest figures from the Small Arms Survey - a Swiss-based research project - estimated that there were 390 million guns in circulation in the US in 2018. US are at the top of the chart for the most guns: (above)

# **Boarders' Business**

#### By George Si Y7

Hello everyone and welcome back to a new Summer term of exciting boarding news! My name is George, and I will be your news correspondent this term! So, let's cut to the chase...

For the first weekend of this term, we went to Mottisfont House, the 18<sup>th</sup> century home of Maud and Gilbert Russel. We played some cricket and had a walk around the incredible manor and had a look at the art exhibition of Norman Thelwell, a popular artist of the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> centuries. We got to see objects that were hundreds of years old and got to see the perfectly cut gardens sprawled along the lawn. We finished off this great trip with a cup of hot chocolate and a relaxing journey back to school. Thank you to all the teachers who helped make this trip possible and good luck to boys who have exams next week, I'm sure you will do great!



Welcome back! For this weekend we went to crazy golf! We had lots of fun weaving through the barriers and obstacles in our way and seeing who could putt the ball in the smallest number of shots! There were 18 holes that all had vastly different mini courses and it was incredibly enjoyable and quite difficult. There was even a movable bridge, that moved across the water and a stunning waterfall! This was such a fun

weekend and thank you to all the teachers who helped to make this trip possible!

For the next weekend, we had Exeat and celebrated King Charles III's coronation on Saturday. The service was very interesting, and we even had a concert to enjoy on Sunday. We also had a bank holiday on Monday and enjoyed a well earnt rest before a busy week ahead...

Welcome back! For **our next weekend** we went to the beach and had a great time. The water was quite cold, so most people just played cricket and we even had an ice cream at the end! Thank you so much to the all the members of staff who helped to make this trip possible and now onto our last full week of the half-term.

**Finally**, for this half term, we went to Go Ape. It was incredibly exciting, and we had lots of fun seeing who would slip and who would remain standing to the end of the loop. The crossings were ranged from easy to difficult and there was even a fun zipwire at the end to finish your day with an exciting thrill.

Thank you so much to all the teachers and members of staff who helped make this trip and all the other trips this half term possible, and now onto a fun relaxing half-term...

#### **Year 6 trip to Chase Cricket**

by Arthur M Y6

I think it's safe to say that this trip had a rocky start. We were meant to go last term, but it disappointingly got postponed. However last week we finally got to go, and you're about to find out how it went.

#### The trip there

So, we all went aboard a minibus split by forms. On the 6X bus, we were lucky to have the radio on, so we got to listen to some music. There were some amazing songs that played, but I think it's pretty unanimous what the best song was, given the fact that we were singing it for the rest of the day!

When we arrived, we took a group photo and were split into two groups. My group was to do exercise first and the other group was to see how cricket bats were made. Then, we'd swap round.





#### The games

The games were really fun! It was being organized by a man called Rich. First, we got in pairs and did some throwing, clapping and catching. Then we got into bigger groups where we would do 4 activities. We had

to keep a score. I can only remember my group's scores, however. The first activity we had was to throw a ball at a net and catch it. My team got a score of 23. The next activity was to put balls in a ball firing machine where a batter would try and hit it. This was my favourite activity by far. I think our score was around 30. The next activity was by far the hardest one. We had to hit a pole with a ball. It was much harder than it sounds. People will say we got 1, but we got 2 I tell you, 2! The final activity was to bowl and try and hit some targets. We got a score of 40, I believe. We didn't win, but between you and me, I'm suspicious of the winning team.

#### The making of cricket bats

Now it's time for the crown jewel of the trip, watching cricket bats be made. We had to put on goggles and headphones, because this was loud stuff. We saw a plank of wood turn into a cricket bat, after going through intriguing machines. This was absolute fascinating.

#### The way back

I must say, for someone who really doesn't like cricket, this trip was an absolute blast. We were able to make it back in time for delicious fish and chips followed by delectable chocolate moose for pudding. Year 5s, you should be really excited for this trip. Thanks to all the staff who made this trip possible. And if you're wondering what the song was that I talked about earlier, ask someone in 6X.

You could say that if you do that, you'd be SENDING OUT AN SOS!!!!





Hi, my name is John and I am going to write about the Apple Watch.

So the Apple Watch was first introduced in 2015 and was released in 3 editions: the Apple Watch, the Apple Watch sport and the Apple Watch Edition. Now the normal Apple Watch and Apple Watch Sport are mostly the same but the Apple Watch Edition, this was on another level! The outer case of the watch was not titanium, not silver, but gold. And it costed a lot. But why was the Apple Watch such a breakthough in technology at the time?



In 2015, wearable tech wasn't really a thing. Yes, there were some smartwatches made by companies such as Motorola and some smaller companies, but no one really got the gist, they all had their setbacks. But when Apple released their smartwatch, the whole smartwatch market changed. The watch launched with 8GB of storage, easy connection with an iPhone, a microphone and even a speaker!

Today, the Apple Watch is on is in three models: the Apple Watch, Apple Watch SE, and the Apple Watch Ultra. They all have different features like the Apple Watch Ultra is for those experienced divers, for those who go on expeditions in the desert, or for those who explore the depths of the extreme cold. Now the Watch has even more features than when it launched for example temperature

sensing, sleep stage detecting and all that is packed in a small device around your wrist!

Overall, I think that the Apple watch is a great device that helps with daily life. Plus, it is one of the best devices for many of its features for example in safety: the watch has crash detection, fall detection and the Apple Watch Ultra has an extremally loud siren that can sound if you are in danger and there is no one near you.

I hope you enjoyed reading this article. Have a great day!



## **Jedi Survivor**

# A beginner's guide by Zain C Y6



Jedi Survivor is a survival game where you play as the grey jedi Cal Kestis with his droid companion BD-1. In the game you start off in the Empire controlled Coruscant where straight away you start fighting with your lightsaber. You start off with the single lightsaber stance and soon after you get the Double-blade stance and dual wield which sound the same but double blade is the stance that Darth Maul uses in the movies and the games too.



The dual wield stance is one lightsaber in each hand. The lightsabers are very customisable as you can make the blade of the saber (after the intro) the following colours: orange, cyan, indigo, purple, magenta, green, yellow and after a while, red. Later in the game you get the blaster stance where you have a blaster in one hand and then crossguard; which looks like this:



There are 6 planets in the game, and you get to travel to them in this order: Coruscant, Koboh, Jedha, Shattered Moon, Nova Garon and lastly, Tanalor.



If you are asking "How is this game different to Jedi Fallen Order? "Well for a start the Lightsaber (as I said before) and Cal is way more customisable as you can change his hairstyle, clothes and beard so you could give him a mullet and a handlebar moustache at the same time. If you were wondering, you can also customise the droid to make it (nearly) any colour you want from purple to lime green.

In the game you have a few in-game friends who you must find in each planet you visit for example on Koboh you find Greez in the cantina and you find Bode (a jedi turned into a Sith) in the planet of Coruscant.

There is a wild variety of bosses for example you fight a Sith with one arm and even Darth Vader.



At the end of the game you get a chance to play Holotactics and also you can get hunted by the whole Haxion Brood (a group of bounty hunters) and if you defeat all of them who get to meet Boba Fett!

### <u>MINECRAFT</u> LEGENDS

By William S



The piglins are invading the peaceful Overworld! Those pesky pests are trapping free villagers that roam freely in barred cages in outposts that could include blaze towers. lava moats, and more! As the noble chosen hero to save the Overworld, unite the overworld, gather an army of golems, use you allays to gather resources, build for you, and drive those soldiers of the devil out of the Iverworld and back to their fiery devilish homes in the Nether! In the name of the (Iverworld, teach the Nether who is the best dimension!

True and honest opinions: This game is great! Well, that is for me; it is not for everyone. It has everything you expect from it and a crazy immersive experience! I recommend this as a 4.9 Stars Game.

This game can be played on Xbox, Nintendo, and PlayStation 4/5.

#### **BIRD BRAIN!**

#### Bird of this edition:

buzzard BY

**GEORGE K-W** 



Hello guys and welcome to the first edition of a lot of editions about birds around Hampshire and West Sussex. We are going to look at Buzzards. Their wingspan is 1.1-1.4 metres, and their length is 40-58 cm.

Their scientific name is Beuteo Beuteo, (which is strange)

their family is Accipitridae (what a mouthful to say and a wacker to remember!!)



Some feathers dropped from a common buzzard.



The buzzard has feathers that are brown and white and black, and their beaks are yellow and black and hooked, short and **POWERFUL!!!**DO NOT mistake the common buzzard for a honey buzzard.





(Left:

honey buzzard, right: common buzzard)

**Diet** 

An average buzzard diet would include:

Voles

Mice+ shrews

**Rabbits** 

Crows and pigeons
Carrion and earthworm.
Unfortunately, we are at the end of this edition 
BUT make sure you read the next edition later in the newspaper!!!

#### BIRD BRAIN 2!!

Welcome back to the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of this series!!! You might know that in this article I talk about birds. What you don't know is that it's not pigeons and ducks but BIRDS OF PREY.

So, enough chit chat from me and I hope you enjoy, so without further ado, let's dive in...

Meet the bird of prey (BOP in our series) for this edition.

The Peregrine falcon.



Fastest (diving) bird in the world. Yes, all you choristers, you know why I chose this bird, because it nests in the spires of the cathedral.

Ok, the peregrine falcon is the fastest bird in the world. They can dive up to

speeds of over 200 mph (faster than some of your Teslas). Their family is Falconidae (easier than the buzzard's)

The peregrine is a large and powerful falcon. It has long, broad, pointed wings and a relatively short tail. It is blue grey above, with a blackish top of the head and an obvious black 'moustache' that contrasts with its white face. Its breast is finely barred. Its diet is basically just birds which are not of prey (BOPS). I just have time to tell you about its feathers which are blue grey. Thank you and goodbye!

# The Northern Lights in England!?

by Alfie L, Year 6



#### The Northern lights in the UK

We are always used to the Northern lights being up in the Arctic

Circle, but recently, they've made their way right down to Cornwall!

So why have the lights been sighted in the UK?

When the Northern lights appear in the UK, they usually occur in

the Northern parts of the country, which makes it even more

exciting to see them in places like Stone Henge. This is all because

of the Sun. Solar winds are charged particles flying away from the

Sun, and when they collide with gas molecules in the Earth's upper

atmosphere, they cause the spectacular phenomenon.

The northern lights, or aurora borealis, which are normally in a ring called the annulus, only come down to the UK because of Coronal Mass Ejections (CMEs) from the Sun. These ejections are explosions from the corona, the outer atmosphere of the Sun, which disrupt solar wind and makes the annulus expand, meaning that the lights can be seen further south. This year there were two CMEs launched towards Earth in a row, and when they hit, it was just the right weather and time for us to see the Auroras.

We may have more visits of the aurora borealis since we are coming closer to the solar maximum, predicted to happen in July.

2025, when there will be much more solar activity than usual. Solar activity goes through an 11-year cycle, during which, at the

beginning and end, we have the least solar activity, the solar minimum, and the middle of the cycle is the solar maximum, when

there are more CMEs. As a result, we will hopefully see the lights here in Winchester.

### **Energy Drinks**

- By Rupert Bowyer Y6

Hello everyone, today I'm going to talk to you about energy drinks and how bad they are for you.

First, I'm going to start with Lucozade.



Most people understand that Lucozade Energy contains glucose, but not many people realise that glucose is just a type of sugar, and that like all types of sugar, consuming too much of it is bad for you. Lucozade Energy contains 12mg of caffeine per 100ml, about a third as much as a cup of coffee and has never been

intended for use as a stimulation drink. It has a lot of caffeine, and you shouldn't have more than one bottle a day, because that is only 100ml of Lucozade it only has 12mg of caffeine, but if you have a full bottle (500ml) it will have 60mg and that is nearly two thirds of how much is in a cup of coffee. It's fine to have but it's not the best.

Next is Red Bull.



A Red Bull can, has nearly 150mg of caffeine and should not be given to people under 18 and if you have it in the morning it will keep you up until late at night! I strongly advise you not to have this energy drink!

Now it is MONSTER!



Monster isn't good for you but it's not as bad for you as red bull but it does have a lot of sugar (27 grams) and you shouldn't have more than half a can a day it has about 25mg more caffeine more than Lucozade.

Next is Prime made by Logan Paul and KSI



Prime was released in January 2022 and it has generated over \$250 million USD. On YouTube it's everywhere,

but most of the flavours just taste like pure chemicals and Gordan Ramsey said it was horrible! It has too much caffeine but a bottle a week is fine. I strongly advise you not to have Prime – it's bad for you and only one flavour tases nice!

Now It is 5 - Hour Energy



All I can say about this horribly caffeinated drink is that it has 3,504 mg of caffeine and that would nearly kill a child under 18 and would also make them stay up for days on end with no sleep NEVER EVER HAVE THIS DRINK.

Please don't have the bad drinks in this list. Keep safe!

#### **NASA' Artemis Missions**

By Tristan

With Artemis missions, NASA will land the first woman and first person of colour on the Moon, using innovative technologies to explore more of the lunar surface than ever before. We will collaborate with commercial and international partners and set up the first long-term presence on the Moon. Then, we will use what we learn on and around the Moon to take the next giant leap: sending the first astronauts to Mars.

#### Why are we going back to the moon?

We are going back to the moon for more scientific discovery and an inspiration for a new generation of explorers: The Artemis Generation. While America leads, it will build a global partnership in space travel for benefit of all.





#### **Artemis II Overview**

Artemis I, formerly Exploration Mission-1, will be the first integrated flight test of NASA's Deep Space Exploration Systems: the Orion spacecraft, Space Launch System (SLS) rocket, with the newly upgraded Exploration Ground Systems at Kennedy Space Centre in Cape Canaveral, Florida.

The primary operations goal of the mission is to assure a safe crew module entry, descent, splashdown, and recovery. In addition to sending Orion on its journey around the Moon, SLS will carry 10 small satellites that will perform their own science and technology investigations. The first in a series of increasingly complex missions, Artemis I will provide a foundation for human deep space exploration and show our commitment and capability to extend human existence to the Moon and beyond prior to the first flight with crew on Artemis II.



#### All about Starbucks.

By Leo

Let's look at Starbuck's advantages and disadvantages.



Starbucks was made in 1971 by Jerry Baldwin, Zev Siegl and Gordon Bowker in Washington. During the early 1980s, they sold the company to Howard Shultz after a business trip to Milan Italy – decided to convert the coffee bean store into a coffee shop serving espresso-based drinks. Starbucks became public in 1992. In 1996 it began opening stores outside America, and soon Starbuck became the largest coffeehouse chain in the world. Just to say, Starbucks is not made by coffee connoisseur. By 2010 Starbucks had nearly 17,000 stores worldwide. Today Starbuck has grown and has 28,000 stores worldwide. Advantages of Starbucks is excellent customer service (as google says.) Disadvantages of Starbucks is that it is very overpriced and also has a limited menu for people with dietary requirements.

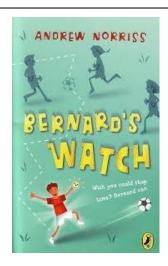


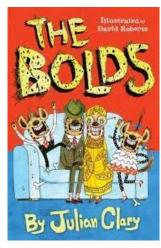
However, Starbucks doesn't just serve their coffees. They serve some light snacks such as cookies, cakes, paninis and more.

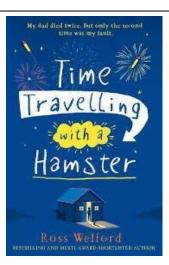


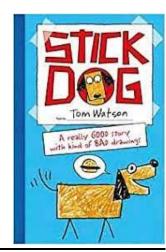
The longest valid name of a drink that can be inserted into the cash register ordering system and is reasonable without adding material for no reason whatsoever is:

quad long shot grande in a venti cup half calf double cupped no sleeve salted caramel mocha latte with 2 pumps of vanilla substitute 2 pumps of white chocolate mocha for mocha and substitute 2 pumps of hazelnut for toffee nut half whole milk and half breve with no whipped cream extra hot extra foam extra caramel drizzle extra salt add a scoop of vanilla bean powder with light ice well stirred.... oh by the way, I have a free reward.









#### **Books I recommend**

#### Time travelling with a hamster

Al Chadbury lost his farther a few years ago, but he's been given a chance to get him back...by his deceased farther. This is a book with a good heart and great humour.

#### Stick dog

If any dog lovers want to revive your dog love after Sam Holmes' cat speech, then this the book for you! This book has many funny dog gags and some really likeable and fun characters. Though you will have to survive a few bad drawings, but I actually think they complement the story.

#### The Bolds

A hyena couple decide to disguise as humans. They have children and get a human house. But they soon realize that humans and hyenas could not be more different, and if they slip up, that could lead them straight to zoo cages. This is such a good book, a bit like a sitcom in pages. It kind of reminds me of untitled goose game and sneaky sasquatch, which

are games about different creatures interacting with humans.

#### Bernard's watch

Bernard's aunt gives him a watch when he got in a sticky situation involving school. He doesn't see how this will help...until he presses the button on top. As his aunt and everything around him freezes, he realises his aunt's watch can stop time. He uses this in football and in getting out of being late. But he soon finds out that the ability to stop time is powerful and even the nicest people will turn sour to get their hands on it. This book has good heart and a comic feel to it.

That's all the books I recommend right now. If you enjoy any these books, you can let me know.

#### **Q** News

By James P

At the end of last term, after everybody else apart from the C's had gone home the Q's had one last commitment this consisted of our tour to Paris.

This started with us getting on the Eurostar to Gare du Nord. We then had a service in the beautiful church of Saint Eustache. Where we sang Palestrina's Missa Pappae Marcelli . The next day consisted of a trip to the Musée Du L'ongerie and the Arc De Triumph. We then had a concert in the STUNNING Saint Sulplice, which most notably included the Allegri misere.

The next day we were up bright and early for a trip to the Eiffel Tour, we then needed to get on a coach to take us the long way out of Paris to the Chateau of Chantilly(this is included in a Bond Film!!) Where we sang a service in the packed chapel of the Chateau. We then got back on the Eurostar the next day to take us back to London.

After our start of term service, we then had a notable memorial service for a former Don at the College. This included a very special guest of the Rt Hon Rishi Sunak! We then had a joint Ascension Day service with the C's, at the end of that same week we had a confirmation service for the College.

On the 26<sup>th</sup> of May we shall also have a Eucharist Including another rendition of the Guest Mass!

On behalf of all of the Q's I wish you all a very good Half-Term!

# Teacher Interview

By George Si Y7



Hello everybody, and welcome back to a new Summer Term. This half of term, me and my team interviewed our wonderful **Head of English**, and now editor-in-chief, **Mr Darlow!** This was a brilliant interview and here is what we got:

#### What is your Favourite Book and why?

Tough question! Either 'Cutting for Stone' by Abraham Verghese or 'The God of Small Things' by Arundhati Roy. Both are astonishing feats of storytelling and stagger with the shear scope of humanity. I'm also really enjoying the book I am reading currently which is called 'The book of form and emptiness 'by Ruth Ozeki which deals with mental health and is narrated in parts by the book itself which is quite strange! It also features a non-binary ferret! It is completely brilliant.

## If you could live anywhere in the world, where would you live?

Somewhere hot! A Greek island maybe or the South of France where I quite like the national drink! Or in the Alps so I could go skiing, or Barbados!

#### What is your favourite animal?

The impossible question! It depends on the animal. Domestically, I like cats and dogs equally, although ideally they have to be slightly bonkers! I like also dolphins and snow leopards, although this is not an exhaustive list.

# We know you are an English teacher, but if you had to teach a different subject for a day what would it be?

Art and music because I would enjoy it and hopefully not be too awful at it! That way I could get to do something nice and creative!

## If you had a robot for a day, what would you make it do?

Iron my shirts, and tackle any onerous, menial household jobs that I have spent years procrastinating/avoiding due to my general incompetence!

# How to acquire a positive attitude whilst facing your examinations.

By Kelvin R



When it comes to approaching an important exam, one should firstly always bear in mind that they are inevitably stressful, and can as a result, lead to a lot of problems that can be very hard to overcome. For instance, during the period when I preparing for my Winchester Election exams, I felt an enormous amount of pressure - so massive that it was arguably the most stressful period in my life.

#### Before the exam:

- Whilst leading up to the exam, you should always try to work hard but do so efficiently. Keep in mind that you can work 3 hours straight, but achieve the same effect as somebody who is more efficient than you, and had only just studied one hour.
- There are many ways to work efficiently. The most important way that arguably works on the majority of the people is to study in relatively small but often chunks. This ensures that you are concentrated whenever you are studying and absolutely makes the most out of your time. However, I do not adopt this method simply because I believe that it doesn't suit me well. It may well be the same case for you, so remember to use the method that you feel most comfortable and efficient with.
- Some other ways to study efficiently is to make flashcards, look-cover-write-check, mind-maps, past papers, you name it. As I said, this may not suit you but, plainly reading a textbook without doing anything else will most likely do you a very bad job at helping you to memorize the information on it.
- Another key point to ensure exam success is to spread the topics that you have to revise over a long period of time. This would not only give you lot of breathing space and make you not overly stressed, but also, guarantee that you are completely ready for your exams when you approach them.

#### Right before the exam:

- Right before the exam you should still try to study and get that last bit of revise done. However, you have to keep in mind that even if you haven't put an effort into revising in the past, now is not necessarily to time to do so simply because it will have not much of a significant effect on the way that you perform.
- Try to not get too stressed by using the pockets of free time from your studying to listen to music, play sports/exercise, or maybe even take a short nap to regain your energy if you are feeling tired.
- Getting good sleep a few days before and during your exam week is also very, very crucial, because it gives you the energy and mood in order to take your exams well.

#### **During your exam week**

- During an exam, you should read the question carefully and gather all of your past experience and knowledge in order to show off to person marking your paper.
- Once you get back form the exam, revision is certainly recommended, but personally, I would
  suggest to keep track of the exams that you have done so that you can feel the satisfaction of
  finally finishing them.

#### After doing your exams

- Upon finishing your exams, you should try to feel as relaxed as you could, because after all, what needs to be done is completed.
- Try to not feel worried, because even if you feel that you have not done well, there is nothing you can do to change your results.

# Crazy records

by Jacob S

A Swedish strongman broke a Guinness World Record in Italy when he threw a washing machine a distance of 14 feet and 7.2 inches.

Johan Espenkrona broke the world record while going head-to-head with Dutch strongman Kelvin de Ruiter on the set of Guinness World Records' Lo Show Dei Record in Milan.

That same guy also broke the world record for fastest time to flip a car 5 times, and the fastest 20m carrying a piano.

Donald A. Gorske (born November 28, 1953) is an American world record holder known as the "ultimate Big Mac fan," having eaten over 32,672 such hamburgers from the U.S. fast food chain McDonald's in his lifetime, earning him a place in the Guinness Book of Records.

The most snails kept on the face for 10 seconds is 48 and was achieved by Mike Dalton (Australia) on the TODAY Show in Sydney, NSW, Australia, on 11 November 2009.

Joe Snape and Will Jarvis broke the record for the longest recorded hug, standing at 36 hours, 36 minutes, and 36 seconds between Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th June 2018.

## <u>Most Purchased</u> <u>Vídeo Games</u>

By William and Jacob S

From 238,000,000 to 40,000,000 purchases, here are Wikipedia's top 15 purchased video games. My Opinion: Is this reliable or not?

1st: Minecraft

2<sup>nd</sup>: Grand Theft Auto V

3rd: Tetris

4th: Wú Sports

5th: PUBG: Battlegrounds

6<sup>th</sup>: Marío Kart 8 Deluxe

7th: Super Mario Bros.

8th: Red Dead Redemption

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9th: Pokémon

Red/Blue/Green/Yellow

10th: Terraría

11th: Wii Fit/Plus

12th: Tetris (1989)

13th: Animal Crossing: New

Horizons

14th: Pacman

15th: Human: Fall Flat

# The History of Pizza

in my bias opinion by Seth T

I am going to start off with a fact to get you excited! Did you know that diavola is the best flavour? (OK maybe that's not a fact), but now I'm going to get started.

The Romans, Egyptians and Greeks had a similar type of food where they ate flatbreads with toppings, herbs, and oil, which was where I think that the whole idea came in (it is probably closer to focaccia that is pronounced fo-ka-cha with a hard o).

Pizza was generally used with poor people in the city of Napoli in the campagna region of Italy. The version that we know of today was invented in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century. And it only rose to fame in the 1940s when the immigrating Italians brought it to the United States of America.

Did you know that Italy alone consumes over **1million** pizzas **per day!** I mean imagine that!



The pizza that consists of pizza sauce (red) mozzarella (white) and basil (green) after the Italian flag colours, and is called a margherita after queen margherita of savoy, who was queen of Italy at the time.

So now I will tell you what happened, it all started in May 21st 1889, when king Umberto and queen Margherita visited Napoli and a pizza chef was called to the royal courts. The pizza chef made three pizzas; pizza marinara (the fisherman's wife's pizza), pizza Napoli (that contains anchovies) and finally a pizza that was inspired by the colours of the Italian flag. The pizza chef (Rafaele Esposito) immediately called the pizza a MARGHERITA after the queen and the queen loved this, as this was her favourite pizza out of the three.

Finally, PINAPPLE PIZZA IS A SIN.

### ALL ABOUT MOVIES.

BY LEO LI Y6

Movies were made by Thomas Edison in the 1920s but the first movie was made in 1888 in Leeds by Louis Le Prince.



Before, movies were all in black because there was no colour filming the early 1900s.

#### Did you know?

It was in 1961 when the final black and white film was made in Hollywood, America.



The Wizard of Oz was one of the first colour movies made but not the first.

The very first colour movie is a visit to the seaside in 1906.

#### What IQ is it?

#### **By Zain Cunnington Y6**

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Also did you know that the average American adult is 97.43 and the average IQ of an American child is 100 which turns out to be higher than the adults! And the country with the lowest average IQ is Equatorial Guinea (And also (Bonus Fact) Equatorial Guinea's capital is on an island).



The person with the highest (recorded) IQ in the world has an IQ of 250-300. Any Guesses? No, it is not Albert Einstein; it is also not Nicolas Copernicus either. It is ....... William James Sidis! Most of the people reading this do not know who he is. *William J Sidis* is the smartest person ever. At the age of 2 he was already reading The New York Times and at 6 he was fluent in eight languages including German, Latin, Russian, Turkish and Hebrew. And at 11 he entered Harvard as one of the youngest students.



The smartest animal right now is the Chimpanzee as they use tools to dig for termites or to crack nuts. They have an IQ of 20-25

The animal with the lowest IQ is one of the slowest animals ever. It is the sloth as it is impossible for it to do the IQ test. How do they make a chimp do an IQ test:/ and then the chimpanzees understand the questions as well.

I know this is a bit late but time for the country with the highest IQ (the people not the literal earth). It is a country in Asia; it also created Pokémon, Mario, Nintendo and the greatest of them all Anime. The country is obviously ...



Japan - with the high average of 106.48. Extremely high, but even Einstein is smarter with an IQ of around 160.

Now time for the world average. I would think the world average is around 85 but it is 100 which means I was wrong. Pick a continent. Ok you chose Europe. What do you think the country with the highest average IQ in Europe is? France? No. The UK? Also no. It is in Scandinavia and has been the happiest country on Earth for the past 6 years. It is Finland.



With the high average of 101.20 they beat all of Europe.

Goodbye.



### Bananas By Ennis Z Y6

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Ever wondered about bananas? Here is a factfile about bananas.

The earliest grown bananas were from natural parthenocarpic individuals of wild banana located in New Guinea. Now let's start about the facts:

- 1. Bananas float in water because they are less dense in comparison.
- 2. The banana is actually classified as a berry.
- 3. Bananas are one of the most popular fruits in the American diet.
- 4. A cluster of bananas is a hand while a banana is a finger.
- 5. Strangely, bananas are naturally a bit radioactive!





- 6. Additionally, bananas are fruit and not fruit! While the banana tree is called its name it is actually a herb distantly related to ginger. Also, the yellow peelable skin actually holds the seeds of the banana.
- 7. What brings Mona Lisa and Ice Cream together? They're varieties of bananas!
- 8. Not only is banana peel edible, they also have health benefits.
- 9. However, its important to wash them first, since they were grown in pesticide-intensive environments.
- 10. Bananas were first imported into the UK from Jamaica in 1897.



#### WEIRD BUT TRUE by Arthur M

Hello truth-seekers! I hope you had a good Easter because you're about to witness some weird facts!

If you're an animal that lays eggs you won't have a belly button. This is because belly buttons are where the umbilical cord was once attached and egg laying animals don't work like that.



Camels have three eyelids. I'm guessing this is so they don't get sand in their eyes during sandstorms because I certainly wouldn't want sand in my eyes!



You likely know Sonic the hedgehog from the game series. But apparently his full name is Ogilvie Maurice Hedgehog. This is cookie monster's real name being Sid ALL OVER AGAIN!

Apparently in France, toilet paper is like marshmallows being either pink or white. Oh, and also the pink stuff is much more popular than the white stuff.



Apparently, goldfish are like night lamps as if you keep them in the dark for a long time, they'll eventually turn white.

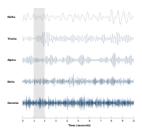


I know a lot of you like Rubik's cubes and are obsessed with solving them (\*cough\* \*cough\* Hamish), but get this, you're better than its creator! It took him one month to solve it after he created it!

The most recognizable thing about the tiger is its striped fur. But it also has striped skin! Furthermore, the skin is like fingerprints – no two tigers have the same pattern.



It seems everyone in the world has a big brain. Need proof? Brain waves can be used to power an electric train! Now that's high IQ!



The Mona Lisa, truly a work of art. Right? Well sure but it seems DaVinci forgot a facial feature or two. The eyebrows. If you ever get a chance, look for yourself!

#### Facts that sound fake

By: Hobart Y7

- 1. Adding salt to pineapple makes it taste sweeter. This works because it suppresses the bitterness in the pineapple.
- 2. Fir trees can grow in human lungs. A 28-year-old patient named Artyom Sidorkin inhaled the seed of a fir tree, which had sprouted and grown inside his lung. The doctors thought they were dealing with a tumour and were stunned when they made this astonishing discovery.
- 3. The air you breathe in a train station is 15% human skin. If you think leaving the train station would stop you from inhaling skin, about 80% of the tiny specs you see in a sun beam is also skin.
- 4. Over 50% of pilots have admitted to falling asleep mid-flight. And of these pilots, 29% said that when they woke up, their co-pilot was asleep as well...
- 5. A chicken lived without a head for 18 months! Decapitated chickens can survive for quite a while, living off just its nerve endings as most of their brain is concentrated at the back of its skull.
- 6. Cheetahs cannot roar! They can only 'meow' like domestic house cats. Only species which belongs in the Panthera genus have a ligament in their voice box that can be stretched to create a 'larger sound-producing passage and therefore a wider range of pitch.'
- **7**. Bananas are berries, but strawberries are not. According to botanists, real berries are simple fruits that stem from a single flower with a single ovary and typically has several seeds. On the other hand, stem from a single flower with more than one ovary which makes them aggregate fruits.
- 8. Mary had a little lamb was based on a real story! Mary Sawyer was born in 1806 and her lamb followed her to school. She wrapped the lamb in a blanket at her feet until it made a noise. John Roulstone had just arrived and witnessed her sneaking the animal in school. Therefore, he wrote a poem about the incident and gave it to Mary.

#### 7. Carabao

#### 8. Sneak

### Wordsearch

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### WHAT'S THE COMPOSER?

BY WILLIAM S

HERE ARE A FEW PICTURES.
TRY TO FIND THE CLASSICAL
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TO SHOW!













