



HAPPY NEWS



KIDS

David Attenborough turns 100!



A huge happy birthday to Sir David Attenborough, who turned 100 years old on Friday! In honour of the famous naturalist and presenter, we've decided to bring you a special wildlife issue this week, packed with fantastic stories about animals and humans helping animals. Sir David has dedicated his life to the natural world, inspiring millions with his passion for the planet and sharing the wonders of nature through his documentaries for more than 70 years. Did you know over 40 species have been named after him, including a grasshopper, a butterfly and even a lizard?

Image Credit: WWF / <https://www.wwf.org.uk>

Wild bridge for wildlife

Britain's first heathland "green bridge" is set to open this month near Cobham in Surrey, helping wildlife safely cross a busy motorway! The huge 68-metre bridge - about the length of seven double-decker buses - will give animals such as snakes, lizards and badgers a safe way to cross the A3 road, which currently cuts through their natural habitat. People will even be able to walk across it too! National Highways spent £3.7 million building the amazing bridge to help protect wildlife and reconnect nature on both sides of the road.

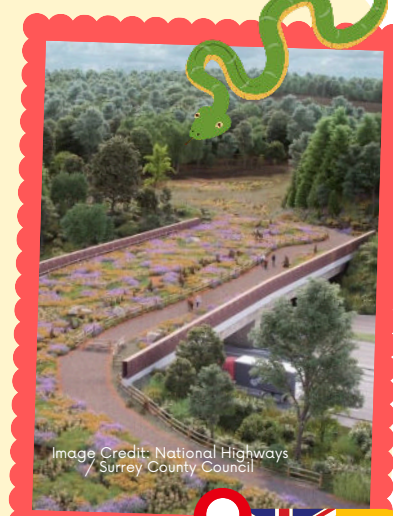


Image Credit: National Highways / Surrey County Council



Orphaned giraffe finds happiness

A two-week-old giraffe called Pips, who was found all alone in Kenya last year, has been given a second chance at life at a wildlife sanctuary. Since her dramatic rescue in September 2025, where Pips was at risk of being killed by lions, she is now eight months old and loving life in her new home! She responds to her name and even has a best friend - a zebra named Bombi. The unlikely duo spend all day playing together and are almost always side by side!

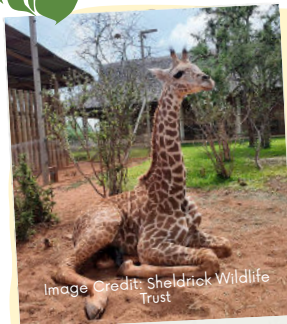


Image Credit: Sheldrick Wildlife Trust



Joke of the Week

Why did the lion eat the tightrope walker?

Because he wanted a well-balanced meal!



The mane attraction!

Meet Neo the lion, who has gone viral online because of his enormous mane, believed to be one of the largest and most impressive ever documented. Known for its extreme thickness, dark colour and huge coverage stretching down his chest and shoulders, Neo's mane has amazed animal lovers around the world. Experts say a large mane can help protect a lion's neck and throat during attacks, and can also be a sign of strength and strong genetics.



Image Credit: Unknown

Girl helps save rare sheep

An 11-year-old girl from Rhode Island, USA, is helping to save one of the rarest sheep breeds in the world! Izzy Hoffman cares for endangered Navajo-Churro sheep at her family's farm, including a fluffy lamb called Cadbury. The special sheep were brought to America hundreds of years ago and are important to Indigenous history and traditions.



Image Credit: Ocean State Media

Think Happy

Close your eyes and imagine walking through a rainforest filled with amazing animal sounds. What can you hear?

