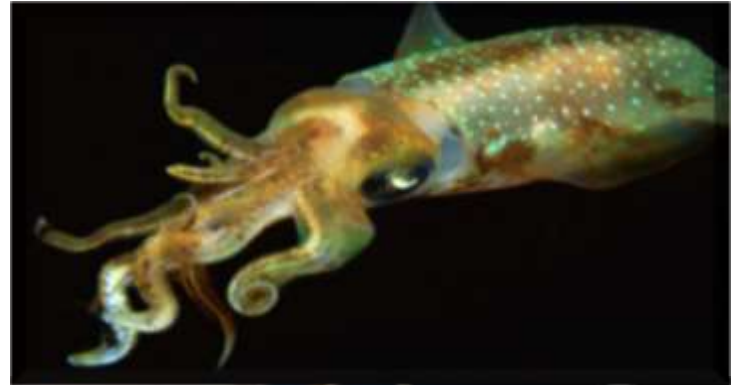




## Squid in Space

128 baby squid were sent into space in June so that scientists can understand how their bodies cope on the journey. This is because astronauts have health issues after long missions to the International Space Station. The atmosphere in space is so different from being on Earth that astronauts' bodies do not fight off disease in the same way and they become ill. Researcher Jamie Foster said, "As astronauts spend more and more time in space, their immune systems become what's called dysregulated. It doesn't function as well." The Hawaiian bobtail squid have a similar response to the microgravity in space as humans. The body of a squid also has a simple system so it will be easier to find out how it performs on the journey to space. Foster explains, "If humans want to spend time on the moon or Mars, we have to solve health problems to get them there safely." There are thousands of bobtail squid living in the wild. They only survive for 2 to 3 months.



*Pictured top: Giant squid*



*Pictured bottom: Astronauts in space*

*Source: Canva*

## What does sports day look like this year?



*Pictured: Sports day is different for everyone again this year*

*Source: Canva*

How is sports day different in your school this year? Last year most sports days were cancelled across the country when schools were closed due to the Coronavirus pandemic. In 2021, school sports days have been very different from usual again too. Many schools have opted to compete as a class rather than across year groups and parents and carers have been asked to cheer for their children online from home rather than watch from the side lines because of rules from the government. One primary school in the north of Scotland held their sports day in May with a whole day devoted to events around an Olympics theme. The school council was responsible for gathering the correct equipment and organising pupils for each event. One of the teachers took a video of each event and made it into a whole virtual sports day so relatives could see their own children having fun competing.



## Monkeying around

A marmoset was found monkeying around at a train station near Glasgow, Scotland last month after it escaped from its home. The primate was spotted sitting alone on a handrail, minding its own monkey business and railway staff were concerned for its welfare. So, at 3pm a spokesperson from ScotRail posted on social media, "I've dealt with lost phones, handbags and glasses over the years, but this is definitely a first! If you've lost your monkey... it's waiting on the next service from Cambuslang into the town." Marmosets originate from the tropical rainforest in South and Central America but can legally be kept as pets in the UK. They mainly eat sap and gum from trees, but they also eat the leaves, fruit, seeds, and flowers. In the wild, they eat insects, snails, lizards, frogs, and baby birds. Someone recognised the marmoset from the photo on Twitter and tweeted back its owner's address. The marmoset was reunited within three hours. ScotRail tweeted another photo of the cute creature later tucking into a can of fruit.



*Pictured: Marmosets originate from South America  
Source: Canva*

## Your thoughts on last week's news...

*I think we should learn how to care for animals and what to do if you find a hurt bird.*  
Isabel – age 6

*Learning CPR in school is an absolute must as this is used for saving lives.*  
Hareer – age 10



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*I believe that the life skills we should learn at school should be First Aid Training because if someone is injured or isn't breathing then we can save their life by performing First Aid on them.*  
Jay – age 10

I think...



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