



# HAPPY NEWS



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## Animals love self care too

Last week, the animals at Chessington Zoo enjoyed a relaxing spa day, complete with rubs, foot massages, and even manicures! As part of a special health check, zookeepers treated the 1,000 residents to some well-deserved pampering. The Rothschild's giraffes got hoof pedicures, while the southern White Rhinos received horn treatments to keep them strong and healthy. These important health checks and treatments ensure the animals stay healthy and happy.



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## Rare planet parade

February is proving to be a spectacular month for stargazers as one of the best planet parades in nearly 50 years will light up the night sky. This week four planets - Mars, Jupiter, Saturn and Venus - will be visible with the moon, according to the Royal Astronomical Society. If you miss it, don't panic, because an even rarer event will hit the skies on 28th Feb, when all seven planets plus the moon will line up, although experts say only five may be visible to the naked eye.



NETHERLANDS

## Bring back 'risky play'

People in the Netherlands are campaigning to bring back 'risky' playgrounds, where children can climb, explore and even build with hammers! They believe safe challenges help children grow stronger, braver and healthier. In Amsterdam, a wild play area called Woeste Westen lets kids fish, cook over open fires, and use real tools. What do you think?



NEW ZEALAND

## Mountain given human rights

Mt Taranaki in New Zealand has been given the same legal rights as a person in a historic agreement. This means the mountain will 'own itself' and be looked after by local Māori tribes and the government. The agreement aims to make up for past wrongs, where land was taken from native people during colonisation. It also recognises the Māori worldview that natural features, including mountains, are ancestors and living beings.



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## King's lost palace found thanks to toilet

Archaeologists may have just solved a royal mystery! They believe they've found the long-lost palace of King Harold, the last Anglo-Saxon King of England, in West Sussex. King Harold only ruled for nine months before losing the Battle of Hastings in 1066. His home has been a mystery for centuries, so how did scientists crack the case? With the help of a medieval toilet! Trendy toilets were a must-have for rich rulers, so when they found one in the ruins, they knew they had discovered something special!

