

## Frog found in primary school banana

A frog from Africa has been found in a bunch of snack time bananas at a Wirral primary school. The tiny amphibian was spotted by a teacher at Heswall Primary School in Merseyside as she was organising the pupils' morning fruit. Members of staff at the school were able to catch the frog, which is the size of



**Pictured:** The tiny frog found in a bunch of bananas at Heswall Primary School.

**Source:** Anthony Joynes@joynes85 Twitter page.

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a fingernail, and kept it safe in a damp container until it was collected. RSPCA inspector, Anthony Joynes said, "This sort of things happens from time-to-time nationwide but this is the first one I have known in Wirral. Providing a small enclosure, with moisture, warmth and a hiding place was spot on." He added that the school had done exactly the right thing

by not touching the amphibian but keeping it safe so he could collect it. Deputy head teacher, Nicky Bolton, said, "We knew the frog had travelled from West Africa because wrapping was stamped with Ivory Coast. The children were so excited to learn about the frog's journey and how it has travelled almost 5,000 miles to arrive in Wirral. The children are now very excited to find out what species he is."

## Cousins forge blacksmith business

Ollie and Harvey Roberts, who are aged 14 and 13, are Britain's youngest blacksmiths! They set up their own metal work business, O&H Metalwork Designs, during lockdown. They and their relatives are very proud that they are the 7th generation of welders in their family. "A long, long time ago, 1804, our family bought the Wrexham smithy and started doing blacksmithing," Harvey said. "Our grandad did it and we found it really interesting. We had a go, and then we thought we've come this far, and we may as well try to make a business out of it. We had to have help at the start - it's really dangerous and there are lots of sparks." Their design ideas, which include flowers and birds, have been purchased by people in countries as far away as Indonesia, raised money for Nightingale House hospice, and a dolphin sculpture made from old spoons is set to go on display at the British Ironwork Centre. The cousins have even received letters from Buckingham Palace and 10 Downing Street congratulating them on opening their decorative metal designs business and raising money for charity.



**Pictured:** Ollie and Harvey with one of their recent projects, a dolphin sculpture made from old spoons!  
**Source:** O&H Metalwork Designs@h\_metalwork Twitter page.

# Make ice cream in two minutes



**Pictured:** Salted caramel and vanilla ice cream sundae.  
**Source:** Canva

**A** new countertop machine has been invented that can use pods to make ice cream in four easy, mess-free steps. The appliance aims to overhaul the frozen treats industry, making changes to how these types of products are made and stored, therefore significantly reducing emissions. The ColdSnap machine can take pods and turn them into soft-serve ice cream in 60-90 seconds. ColdSnap's single-serve aluminium pods are each roughly the size of a drinks can and deliver a variety of frozen treats; including dairy and non-dairy ice cream, frozen yogurt, frozen coffees, frozen smoothies, frozen shakes, and slushies. The frozen confections machine uses a camera, which scans the QR code on each pod as they are inserted, this gives the machine all the information it requires to make each frozen delight. Matthew Fonte was inspired to come up with the idea during a conversation with his daughters, Sierra and Fiona, who were disappointed at how time consuming and messy it was to make ice cream with a traditional at-home ice cream machine.

Last week's topic:

## What does a city of the future need?



A city of the future needs residents to live in it and everything else that is important to make it good to live and work in.

Miti – age 9

I think that a school from the future needs hi-tech equipment, helpful robots and a futuristic, smooth look. Also, it needs people that are used to the great technology.

Aleks – age 10

My sustainable city would have: •renewable energy, e.g., solar panels, wind turbines •less petrol and diesel cars-more electric charging points, free parking for electric cars, more bike lanes, better public transport •more glass and less plastic buildings, drinks.

Ethan - age 10

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