



## Visible mending service



What do you do when a piece of clothing becomes tattered, worn or has a hole in it? Do you continue wearing it, fix it, replace it or throw it away? There is an alternative - you could get creative and become a visible mender! Flora Collingwood-Norris is a knitwear designer, maker and mender based in Scotland. She offers a bespoke visible mending service, meaning rather than discreetly fixing the holes or worn patches on knitwear, they become a new feature. Flora said: 'You need very little by way of equipment to start mending, just a needle, some yarn, a pair of scissors and something holey.' Flora provides online workshops and digital guides to help others learn the techniques used to mend items and create

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a sustainable wardrobe: 'Extending the life of the clothing you own is the best way to have a sustainable wardrobe.' Perhaps you could have a go at visibly mending an item of clothing that has a hole in it. We'd love to see it if you do!

**Pictured:** A jumper mended by Flora Collingwood-Norris  
**Source:** @collingwoodnorr Twitter page

## Lego announces plans for new factory

Danish toymaking giant, LEGO, have announced plans to build a new manufacturing operation in Vietnam. It will be the second factory in Asia (its first was opened in China five years ago) as the company aims to keep up with the demand for its products. There are plans to match the factories energy consumption with solar panels on its roof and a nearby farm. Lego's chief operations officer,

Carsten Rasmussen, said in a statement: 'We are very grateful for the support of the Vietnamese government in helping us achieve our ambition to build our first carbon neutral factory.' LEGO, founded in 1932 by Ole Kirk Kristiansen, is now owned by Kjeld Kirk Kristiansen, Ole's grandchild. LEGO is an abbreviation of the two Danish words 'leg godt', meaning 'play well'.

**Pictured:** Toys manufactured by LEGO **Source:** Canva







**Pictured:** A hazel dormouse **Source:** Canva

## Miniature bridge for dormice

**W**ild hazel dormice are incredibly difficult to spot – not just because they only come out at night and spend a huge amount of time hibernating, but because they can only be found in a small number of places in the UK. According to the conservation charity, the People's Trust for Endangered Species (PTES), hazel dormice have nearly halved in population over the last 20 years. In an attempt to save the vulnerable species from

extinction, engineers are building a tiny railway crossing to link habitats either side of the Furness line in Lancashire. Ian White, from the PTES, said: 'We hope that this new bridge will enable two neighbouring populations to create a local metapopulation in the area, which will really help to bring this rare and beautiful species back from the brink.' The bridge, which will hopefully open in the summer, will be the first of its kind over a railway.

Last week's topic:

### Do we need to create a virtual universe?



I think that headsets would be bad for your eyes if you wear them all of the time. Also, it might stop you socialising with friends in the real world.

Kayden – age 13

I think we do need a virtual world because covid-19 is now starting to affect us again so we must be cautious about what we do in public and also because we do so many things online to protect us.

Nolan – age 9

Yes because it can be nice for people who can't do something in real life to do it virtually. Real experiences are better than virtual ones however the virtual ones over lockdown could transport people away from their homes and into a different world.

Annie – age 10

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