

Read the story, and then try the puzzle. To help you, we have underlined the answers to the crossword puzzle clues in the story – but you will need to match the correct word with each clue!



UK NEWS

FLYING FERRY

FANCY travelling on a flying ferry?

Flying ferries could soon be taking people from Portsmouth to France. Brittany Ferries is looking at introducing electric seagliders, which are part ship and part plane. They'll start off on the water, then ride slightly above it for the duration of the journey.

The vehicles are being developed in America and should be able to travel at speeds of up to 180mph, making them six times faster than normal ferries. It's hoped they could be in full operation by 2028 and complete the journey across the English Channel in just 40 minutes!



LAST DINO FOOTPRINTS FOUND



Megan Jacobs/University of Portsmouth

FOOTPRINTS of the last dinosaurs to roam the UK have been discovered in Kent.

The footprints are from at least six different dinosaur species including the spiky Ankylosaurus, meat-eating theropods and plant-loving ornithopods. The footprints were found near the White Cliffs of Dover and are thought to have been left around 110 million years ago.

David Martill, professor of palaeobiology at the University of Portsmouth, said: "[The dinosaurs] were walking around close to where the White Cliffs of Dover are now. Next time you're on a ferry and you see those magnificent cliffs, just imagine that!"

AI SHIP SETS SAIL



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A 'robot' ship with no human crew has begun its ocean journey from the UK to the US. The Mayflower Autonomous Ship (MAS) is solar-powered and controlled by artificial intelligence (AI). It is expected to take about three weeks to travel the 3,500 miles (5,630km) from Plymouth, UK, to Massachusetts, USA. The voyage follows the historic journey to the 'new world' by the Mayflower in 1620 – but the MAS also has a modern mission. It will collect data on marine life during its journey as well as taking samples to detect plastic waste in the ocean.

ACROSS

- 3) A group of ancient creatures that were carnivorous (plural noun 9)
- 6) To move without purpose or direction over a large area (verb 4)
- 7) Extremely beautiful and impressive (adjective 11)
- 8) The time during which something continues (noun 8)

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- 1) In this case, a machine able to operate without direct human control (adjective 10)
- 2) A journey, typically by sea (noun 6)
- 4) Vehicles that can travel in the air and across water (plural noun 10)
- 5) A group of ancient creatures that were vegetarian (plural noun 11)

