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Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

'They're scared of us now': how co-investment in a tropical forest saw off loggers. Low-cost tech and joined-up funding have reduced illegal logging, mining and poaching in the Darién Gap – it's a success story that could stop deforestation worldwide. [Read more ...](#)

The cost of chocolate is soaring, but blaming cocoa prices doesn't give the whole picture. [Read more ...](#)

Swiss court to hear Indonesian islanders' climate case against cement giant. [Read more ...](#)

Guyana Is Using Its Oil Revenues to Spark a Renewable Energy Boom. Guyana is reinvesting oil revenues into solar, hydro, and other renewables as part of a strategy to reach 80 percent renewable electricity by 2040. [Read more ...](#)

Climate misinformation is becoming a national security threat. Canada isn't ready for it. [Read more ...](#)

Other News

'There are many challenges': Syrians in Turkey consider return after fall of Assad. [Read more ...](#)

'We will vote but not with our hearts': Inside the election staged by Myanmar's military rulers. [Read more ...](#)

Hundreds of thousands newly displaced as Islamic State insurgency expands in Mozambique. Rising numbers of people flee jihadists, as violence against civilians increases and foreign aid dwindles. [Read more ...](#)

Christmas is not a Western story – it is a Palestinian one. Christmas is a story of empire, injustice and the vulnerability of ordinary people caught in its path. [Read more ...](#)

'We are not from Bangladesh, we are Indian. Why did they do this to us?' [Read more ...](#)

Local News ...

Feral AI gossip with the potential to spread damage and shame will become more frequent, researchers warn. [Read more ...](#)

Bideford gallery gets huge cash boost to rethink its future for the kids. [Read more ...](#)

Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

Fifty days on, Jamaica struggles to rebuild after Hurricane Melissa's unprecedented destruction.

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Woke pope versus Maga: Leo's culture war clashes have only just begun. Conservatives had hoped the new pontiff would prove to be less liberal than Francis. Then the glacier-blessing and migrant-defending started... [Read more ...](#)

In a year of steep challenges, there were still shining moments in global health. [Read more ...](#)

The Rockettes, at 100, Need a Kick in the Right Direction. This year, "Christmas Spectacular Starring the Radio City Rockettes" pays homage to the legacy of the group, but its future seems to be more about sisterhood than dancing. [Read more ...](#)

Teacher-Student Ratio in Kenya: A Comparison with UN Recommendations. [Read more ...](#)

US warns of more Nigeria strikes as Abuja talks of 'joint ongoing operations'. Pete Hegseth says 'more to come' as Nigerian minister confirms his country provided intelligence for first wave. [Read more ...](#)

Websites...

Tell a Child in Gaza's tale

A project to tell happy, heartbreaking, funny and poignant tales learned from teachers and children in Gaza with over 500 [recordings](#) to date.

Books ...

Diary of a Spice Seller by Mohammed Yasser Al-Batniji. Stories and poems from Gaza [Details ...](#)

Campaign Updates ...

Rainforest Rescue: Experiential Learning from the Cloud Forest - Los Cedros and the "Pilot Course on Environmental Education". [Read more ...](#)

Biofuelwatch: Annual Report 2025. [Read ...](#)

JCWI: 2025: Holding the Line, Moving Together. [Read ...](#)

Greenpeace: Powering Britain's future: Greenpeace's battle for offshore wind. [Read more ...](#)

Greenpeace: A historic victory: the end of new oil and gas exploration in the UK. [Read more ...](#)

Refugee Action: A mother, a teacher, a dreamer: My name is Shelly. [Read more ...](#)

Medical Aid for Palestinians: Despite Israel's deregistration of humanitarian organisations, MAP vows to continue serving Palestinians. [Read more ...](#)

Code Pink: Trump might not invade Venezuela yet, but what he is doing is worse. [Read more ...](#)