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From the editor



Is it just me or do we need Christmas more than ever this year? Despite everything 2019 has thrown at us, being able to take time out and enjoy all that the festive season has to offer is something to be truly cherished. To all our loyal readers, the team here at *Radio Times* and I would like to offer you the very warmest of Christmas wishes.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of our first double issue. Looking good for 50, aren't we? Since 1969 our logo with a topping of snow has signified the official beginning of the season. It's true what they say, Christmas always starts with *Radio Times*. Maybe there are rituals that you observe as you read? Maybe you buy your copy on a certain date, or read it in a certain order. However you enjoy the magazine, we're glad you're here – let the heady circling of your must-see shows commence!

There are always changes, of course. In 1969 we covered just BBC channels; now we list over 150 and present you with the best of Netflix, BBC iPlayer and others too (see pages 98, 99 and the daily choices pages). We've got great book offers too – see page 286.

How can we top this? With our next edition highlighting the best of 2020's TV, of course – **on sale Friday 27 December**. There are some wonderful shows in store for next year.

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Mark Frith RTeditor@radiotimes.com

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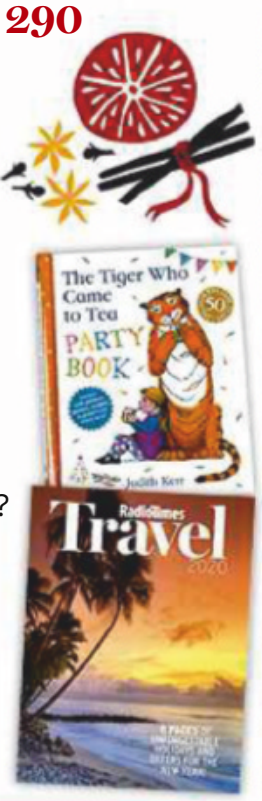

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The very best of TV and Film

SATURDAY 21

Television

Celebrity Mastermind
6.05pm ***BBC1***
(depending on football)

Tim Vine spouts puns and Samira Ahmed wears a *Space: 1999* top in an excellent contest.

Michael McIntyre's Big Show
8.15pm/8.10pm ***BBC1***
(depending on football)

The ebullient comic kicks off the festive fortnight in style, with Ian Wright and Robbie Williams.



Casualty
9.20pm/9.10pm ***BBC1***
(depending on football)

It's Christmas in the ED, so of course there's going to be a surprise birth. But there's also a potential wedding, too.



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SUNDAY 22

His Dark Materials
8.00pm ***BBC1***

The intermittently brilliant version of Philip Pullman's saga builds to a finale as Lord Asriel (James McAvoy) and Lyra (Dafne Keen) spend some father-daughter time together.



New A Christmas Carol
9.00pm ***BBC1***

Look out: it's a very untraditional, horror-tinged version of the Dickens classic with Guy Pearce (above) as old miseryguts Scrooge.



The Christmas Misadventures of Romesh Ranganathan
9.00pm ***BBC2***

The bone-dry comic takes a trip to the Sahara desert with a brilliant guide, and regrets not faking his camping sequence.

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MONDAY 23

New The Goes Wrong Show: the Spirit of Christmas
7.30pm ***BBC1***

The farce-mongers from *The Play That Goes Wrong* bring their pratfall poetry to a tale of Santa...



New Hugh Grant: a Life on Screen
9.00pm ***BBC2***

From TV adaptations of romantic potboilers and *Four Weddings and a Funeral* to the Jeremy Thorpe scandal, Hugh Grant tells all...



Gordon, Gino and Fred: Christmas Road Trip
9.00pm ***ITV***

The trio sample local delicacies as they trek across Morocco's Agafay Desert.

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CHRISTMAS EVE 24

New The Tiger Who Came to Tea
7.30pm ***C4***

A welcome addition to the roster of classic festive animations, this adaptation of the late Judith Kerr's children's story is colourful, vibrant and beautifully upbeat.



New The Last Igloo
7.30pm ***BBC4***

Touching Slow TV doc following the hard, chilly life of an Inuit hunter as he constructs seal traps, fishes through the ice and builds an igloo from scratch.





New Martin's Close
10.00pm ***BBC4***

Mark Gatiss re-establishes the tradition of a creepy MR James tale on Christmas Eve with this story of a murdered girl who doesn't stay dead. Peter Capaldi plays a barrister.

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Film

Scrooge ★★★★★ U
3.10pm ***C5***

Andrew Collins is far from miserly in his praise (see page 71) for the best version of Dickens's classic tale. It's a Christmas essential.





P Office Christmas Party ★★★ 15
10.00pm ***C4***

Jennifer Aniston, Jason Bateman and a shindig to boost morale... but things get messy. We've all been there.

White Christmas
★★★★★ U *1.35pm* ***C4***

You can't get more festive than this classic musical, in which Bing Crosby croons, Danny Kaye dances and the fake snow finally falls.





P Beauty and the Beast ★★★★ PG
5.30pm ***BBC1***

Director Bill Condon has carefully introduced some new elements to the classic fairy tale that keep things just as captivating for fans of the Oscar-winning animation. "Beauty" Emma Watson can also be seen in a new version of *Little Women*, in cinemas from Boxing Day.

this Christmas

Chosen by TV editor **Alison Graham** and film editor **Andrew Collins**



CHRISTMAS DAY 25



New The Snail and the Whale
2.30pm ***BBC1***

Enchanting, vivid animation of Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler's story of an unlikely friendship.





Call the Midwife
7.00pm ***BBC1***

A feature-length cockle-warmer sees the Nonnatus House midwives forsake Poplar at Christmas for the chilly Outer Hebrides after Mother Mildred has a little chat with God.

New Gavin & Stacey
8.30pm ***BBC1***

For one night only... the Barry-to-Billericay sitcom (with Joanna Page and Mathew Horne, left) returns for a joyously funny lap of honour. It's like they've never been away.

CHRISTMAS DAY *starts p140* ▶

BOXING DAY 26

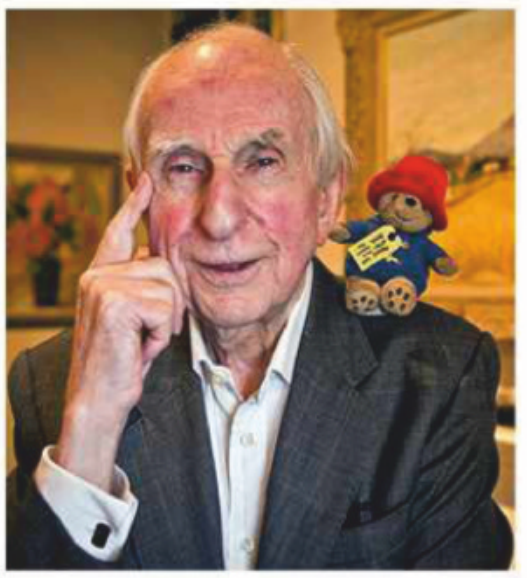
New Worzel Gummidge
6.20pm ***BBC1***

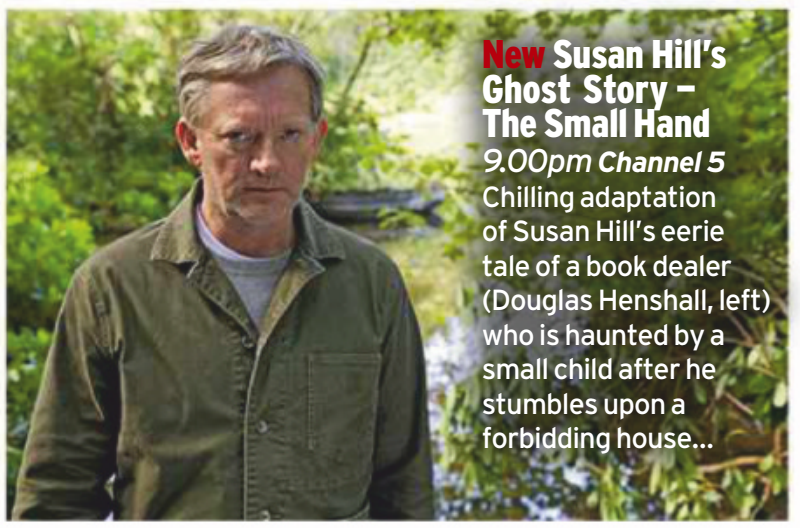
Mackenzie Crook (right) is the Scarecrow of Scatterbrook Farm in an ecologically friendly tale of magic and mystery. The starry cast includes Michael Palin and Zoë Wanamaker.



New Paddington: the Man behind the Bear
9.00pm ***BBC2***

Delightful celebration of the life of Michael Bond (right), creator of the world's most famous well-mannered bear. Fronted by Hugh Bonneville, with contributions from Stephen Fry.





New Susan Hill's Ghost Story – The Small Hand
9.00pm ***Channel 5***

Chilling adaptation of Susan Hill's eerie tale of a book dealer (Douglas Henshall, left) who is haunted by a small child after he stumbles upon a forbidding house...

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FRIDAY 27

FIRST WEEK



Coronation Street
7.30pm ***ITV***

Corrie loses one of its best matriarchs as Kym Marsh bows out after 13 years as Michelle. Expect violence at the Bistro before she goes.



A Question of Sport at 50
8.30pm ***BBC1***

This documentary celebrates half a century of the BBC stalwart, with contributions from notable guests and captains past and present.

New Richard Osman's Comedy World Cup of the Decade
9.00pm ***C4***

The *Pointless* man presents the best stuff of the decade, as decided by the general public via Twitter.

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P Finding Dory ★★★★★ U *3.10pm* ***BBC1***

Thirteen years (or was it fourteen?) after she helped Nemo, the plucky blue tang fish with a memory problem makes a spectacular return, in Pixar's truly immersive animated sequel. A perfect afternoon's entertainment.



P Paddington 2 ★★★★★ PG
7.20pm ***BBC1***

In another terrific sequel, our lovable bear gets mixed up with a game Hugh Grant, sending himself up as an egotistical actor. Mr and Mrs Brown (Hugh Bonneville, Sally Hawkins) are, of course, on hand to protect him.

P The Limehouse Golem ★★★★ 15
9.30pm ***BBC2***

There's 'orrible murder on the gaslit streets of London's East End, as Peter Ackroyd's deliciously gory tale is brought to the screen.



Recommended family viewing: check programme descriptions for age suitability

Turn over for the best of Radio ▶

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SATURDAY 28

Television



The Hit List Celebrity Special
7.45pm ***BBC1***

Marvin and Rochelle Humes host a charity edition that includes Susan Calman and John Barnes.



New Wisting
9.00pm, 9.45pm ***BBC4***

Absorbing Scandi-crime drama with Carrie-Anne Moss (above) helping Norwegian cop William Wisting investigate a death in a forest.

Inspector Montalbano
10.30pm ***BBC4***

A warm breeze from Sicily as BBC4 revisits one of Salvo's old investigations – with an abundance of eccentrics, good food and murder.

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SUNDAY 29

The Repair Shop at Christmas
7.00pm ***BBC1***

Curiously late in the season, but this lovely visit to the workshop of dreams includes a dilapidated teddy and a clapped out Chopper bike.

New The Trial of Christine Keeler
9.00pm ***BBC1***

Sophie Cookson stars as the "showgirl" who sparks a government crisis and a national scandal when she falls for the War Secretary.



Top Gear Nepal Special
9.00pm ***BBC2***

Buckle up! Paddy McGuinness, Freddie Flintoff and Chris Harris (below) drive second-hand cars up the Himalayas in an entertainingly hairy outing.



SUNDAY *starts p188* ▶

MONDAY 30



New Snow Animals
7.00pm ***BBC1***

Liz Bonnin wraps up warmly to investigate how penguins, monkeys and polar bears cope with the harshest of winter weather.

Only Connect Special
8.00pm ***BBC2***

Two teams with wanderlust in their hearts return to the arena for a set of questions based on adventure. Hosted by Victoria Coren Mitchell.



New Best of 2010–2015 Wipe with Charlie Brooker
10.45pm ***BBC2***

The satirist's annual round-ups are no more, but here he's collated the best of five years of *Wipe*.

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NEW YEAR'S EVE 31



John Wilson Orchestra at BBC Proms
7.00pm ***BBC4***

The dazzling conductor brings the sound of Hollywood's golden age to the Royal Albert Hall with *The Warner Brothers Story*.



New Jools's Annual Hootenanny
11.15pm ***BBC2***

It's still the best way to do New Year's Eve indoors. Stormzy, Stereophonics and Rick Astley are among the acts introduced by Jools Holland.



New Dame Edna Rules the Waves
9.05pm ***BBC1***

We find the megastar on her super yacht, *Ocean Widow*, welcoming aboard Sharon Osbourne, Joe Sugg and Nile Rodgers, while Rick Stein gamely plays the ship's chef.

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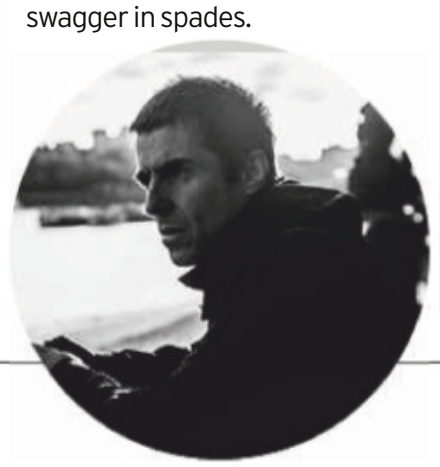
Film



P Guardians of the Galaxy Vol 2 ★★★★ 12
8.30pm ***ITV***

Peter Quill (Chris Pratt) and his unlikely bunch of space heroes are back for more bonkers heroics.



P Liam Gallagher: As It Was ★★★★ 15
10.15pm ***BBC2***

He may be a bit older and wiser, but the stroppy rock star still has attitude and swagger in spades.



The Apartment PG/Some Like It Hot U *from* *1.00pm* ***BBC2*** ★★★★★

Well, everybody is perfect actually, in a five-star double helping of Billy Wilder classics. Shut up and deal!



The Queen ★★★★★ 12
12.45pm ***ITV***

Name an award that Helen Mirren didn't win for her portrayal of Elizabeth II. Or just relax and enjoy her superb performance here, as the monarch deals with the aftermath of Diana's death.

Radio this Christmas

Chosen by TV editor **Alison Graham**, film editor **Andrew Collins** and radio editor **Jane Anderson**

NEW YEAR'S DAY 1



NEW Miranda: My Such Fun Celebration
5.45pm ***BBC1***
Miranda Hart's funny, sometimes touching reunion with the chums from her self-titled, much-missed sitcom – with music and a few surprise guests.



Doctor Who *6.55pm* ***BBC1***
"The name's Doctor... *the* Doctor." Jodie Whittaker returns in an explosive, Bond-inflected adventure co-starring Lenny Henry and Stephen Fry.



New Dracula
9.00pm ***BBC1***
Mark Gatiss and Steven Moffat add wisecracking nuns to Bram Stoker's classic horror story about the hungry vampire in an eye-watering revision starring Claes Bang as a camp Count.

NEW YEAR'S DAY *starts p218* ▶

THURSDAY 2



Best Home Cook
8.00pm ***BBC1***
A pinch of *Bake Off* and a soupçon of *MasterChef* go into this likeable format where Claudia Winkleman and Mary Berry put cooks through their paces.

New Last Minute Holiday Secrets Unpacked
8.00pm ***C4***
Do you save money if you book your holiday just before you go? Here's a suitcase-full of industry insight.



NEW Big Fat Quiz of the Decade
9.00pm ***C4***
Jimmy Carr (above) marshals a supersized edition of the comedy quiz, featuring Nish Kumar, Jonathan Ross and Stacey Solomon.

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FRIDAY 3

Secret Scotland with Susan Calman
8.00pm ***Channel 5***
Susan is back pootling around her homeland. In the Cairngorms, she has a wee jig at Balmoral, and joins graffiti grannies in Aberdeen.



New In Search of Dracula with Mark Gatiss
10.35pm ***BBC2***
Dracula fan Gatiss presents an entertaining look at the fang-hold the Count has on the popular imagination.



Graham Norton's Good Showbusiness Guide
11.00pm ***BBC1***
An entertaining compilation of what happens when a chat-show guest stops talking and does something extraordinary instead.

FRIDAY *starts p238* ▶

Radio

1 The Secret Commonwealth
Mon 23 December 12.04pm/10.45pm ***Radio 4***
An absolute treat for Philip Pullman fans over the next fortnight as Simon Russell Beale reads the second volume from *The Book of Dust* trilogy. Lyra is no longer a child but is still trying to solve the mystery of the elusive Dust.

2 A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols
Christmas Eve 3.00pm ***Radio 4*** *Christmas Day 2.00pm* ***Radio 3***
The official start of Christmas for many, as the solo chorister's voice opens the service with *Once in Royal David's City*.

3 Arctic Sound Walk
Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Boxing Day 4.30, 4.00, 4.00pm ***Radio 3***
From the beat of ravens' wings to the crackle of frozen streams, Horatio Clare soothes the soul with a walk in Greenland.

4 The Two Brians
Christmas Day 1.00pm ***6 Music***
Messrs Cox and Eno join Shaun Keaveny for their fourth annual special. Expect everything from philosophical thought to a sushi v carbs debate.

5 Christmas with the Stars (and Matt Lucas)
Christmas Day 2.00pm ***Radio 2***
Family fun is guaranteed in this live broadcast packed with quizzes and calls from possibly tipsy celebs.

6 Neil Gaiman's Chivalry
Christmas Day 4.00pm ***Radio 4***
A fantastical tale about a woman who finds the Holy Grail in a charity shop, starring Glenda Jackson and Kit Harington.

SECOND WEEK

P Mission: Impossible – Fallout ★★★★★ 12
9.00pm ***C4***
Six films in, the pace doesn't look like slacking with another IMF thrill ride. Tom Cruise enhances his action-man credentials as he dodges a CIA assassin and tries to keep plutonium out of the hands of terrorists.



The Sound of Music
★★★★★ U *7.00pm* ***BBC4***
The timeless musical that must top a record number of guilty pleasure lists stars Julie Andrews and that mountain.





Attack the Block
★★★★ 15 *12 midnight* ***C4***
Star Wars's John Boyega (see feature, p51) got noticed here, as the leader of a gang of hoodies forced into defending the planet, in a blackly comic London-set alien-invasion tale.

Recommended family viewing: check programme descriptions for age suitability

'Tis the season... *for timeless dramas*

Push aside your presents and snuggle up to the best Christmas telly on the Drama channel



Pride and Prejudice

It's been almost 25 years since Colin Firth sent the nation's hearts racing as Mr Darcy and that famous lake scene, but this 1995 BBC adaptation of *Pride and Prejudice* is still one of the most loved British miniseries on the telly, with Jennifer Ehle and Emilia Fox (right) starring alongside Firth. Ehle won a BAFTA award for her phenomenal portrayal of the quick-witted Elizabeth Bennet, so it's definitely not one to miss. ***Watch on 1 January at 12:35pm***

Jane Eyre

With a top-notch cast including Ruth Wilson, Toby Stephens and Pam Ferris, this BBC adaptation of Charlotte Brontë's much-loved novel exudes drama and passion. *Watch on 2 January at 1.50pm*

Oliver Twist

Please Sir, I want some more timeless drama! This vivid miniseries brings Charles Dickens' classic novel to the small screen. Tragic and heartwarming in equal measure, there's a good reason why it's a classic. *Watch on 31 December at 2.20pm*

Death in Paradise

Sun, sea, sand and murder... *Death in Paradise* has it all – and DI Humphrey Goodman (Kris Marshall, right) is on the case. He may be disorganised and accident-prone, but this doesn't stop him from solving an exquisite range of murders. Love may also finally be on the cards for him this season as he goes on a romantic getaway with an old acquaintance, but will a murder on the first night sour the mood? *Starts 21 December, every night at 9pm*



Wuthering Heights

In this two-part adaptation of Emily Brontë's haunting novel, you'll feel the electricity between real-life couple Charlotte Riley and Tom Hardy as they play forlorn lovers Cathy and Heathcliff. *Watch on 4 January at 4pm*

Father Brown

The prayers of *Father Brown* fans have been answered because the crime-solving priest is back. Watch the sleuthing cleric – played by *Harry Potter's* Mr Weasley, Mark Williams – unravel all sorts of crimes with the help of a band of loyal parishioners, including Bridgette McCarthy (Sorcha Cusack, left) and Lady Felicia Montague (Nancy Carroll). Perfect entertainment. *Starts 21 December, every night at 8pm*



The Good Life

A barrel of laughs, this hilarious 70s sitcom is the perfect feel-good telly to watch over the Christmas season. Be sure to catch the festive episode where Margo and Jerry's Christmas is cancelled thanks to a phony case of chicken pox. Tom and Barbara save the day by inviting them around for a humble homegrown meal that costs 15p. It's a winning combination of feelgood and funny. *Watch on 18 December at 6.25pm*

Call the Midwife

It may be Christmas, but there's no rest for the midwives of Poplar. From the heart-warming birth of baby Teddy to Sister Joan's (Judy Parfitt, below) struggle with dementia, there's plenty of tear-jerking storylines, so get the tissues ready! *Starts 21 December at 2pm*



Sense and Sensibility

Adapted by the king of period drama, Andrew Davies, this version of Jane Austen's classic is full of flirtation and folly. Follow the Dashwoods as they start a new life in Devon and one of the sisters finds she has several suitors... *Watch on 3 January at 2:30pm*

Christmas on Drama
starts 16 December

DRAMA

on Freeview 20, Sky 143, Virgin 130, BT 317 and catch up on demand with UKTV Play

Strictly Come Dancing
Christmas Day 4.40pm ***BBC1***

Strictly blessed!

What curse? **Joe Sugg** and **Dianne Buswell** found true love on the dancefloor

What's it like dancing together on the *Strictly* Christmas special as a real-life couple?
JOE SUGG There's a lot more trust – and chemistry!
DIANNE BUSWELL Definitely! At times last year it was like he was dancing on eggshells…

When did your relationship begin?
DIANNE Straight after the final.
JOE It was like, "We get on well, I'm going to miss you when you're gone – it'll be weird not being around you." And now here we are, a year later!

Couples getting together on the show is called the "*Strictly* curse", but presumably it's no curse for you!
DIANNE Definitely not!
JOE The *Strictly* blessing, I say! Dianne's my first girlfriend and you can watch our relationship form – even the moment we met is on camera. Everything's been so easy and nice – it's just happened the perfect way for us.

Has it been hard getting into training, Joe?
JOE I think I've been picking it up quite quickly.
DIANNE Joe's a natural performer and actor, but he's definitely not a natural dancer! Rehearsing again has made me realise how much effort we had to put in last year to get him to the standard he reached.
JOE Since *Strictly*, the amount of people that have put on music and said, "You can dance to this." But I can't! Unless something's choreographed, I'm a bit awkward. I'm quiet and more of an introvert, but doing *Strictly* really helped my confidence.

What are your plans for Christmas?
JOE We're going Down Under and I'm going to meet Dianne's family in Australia.
DIANNE It's about 38 degrees in Australia at the moment, so you'll be in your shorts!

Is a Christmas marriage proposal on the cards?
JOE No! We haven't even been together a year yet. I'm not one of those people who rushes into things.
DIANNE Joe's the most patient person that I've ever met, so I wouldn't be surprised if I'm 60 and he still hasn't proposed!
JOE Definitely one day, but we've still got so much to do together. Who knows? Maybe I'll get her a Haribo ring for a Christmas present… **FRANCES TAYLOR**

DIANE WEARS: DRESS ELIZA JANE HOWELL, EARRINGS NEW LOOK, RING GIOVANNI RASPINI, SHOES RIVER ISLAND.
JOE WEARS: CLOTHING AND HAT OLIVER BROWN, SHOES RIVER ISLAND, CANE JAMES SMITH & SONS.

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‘We have an older sister, younger brother relationship – with all the irritations’

RUTH JONES



THE RT INTERVIEW
BY CHRIS AYRES



‘We shouldn’t actually be talking to each other...’

After ten years, **Ruth Jones** and **James Corden** are reuniting to bring back *Gavin & Stacey* – but is the magic still there?

Gavin & Stacey

Christmas Day 8.30pm ***BBC1***

It’s just after breakfast in Brentwood, Los Angeles, and James Corden and Ruth Jones are huddled in the very room where they wrote this year’s *Gavin & Stacey* Christmas special. He calls it his “front room” – “I’m just trying to hang on to my roots” – although it’s more a study, near the entry hall of his traditional, white clapboard home.

It’s been almost a decade since they worked together, what with Corden hosting *The Late Late Show* on CBS and its *Carpool Karaoke* spin-off, and Jones writing bestseller *Never Greener* and starring in Sky 1’s comedy drama *Stella* (written with her husband, David Peet). But thanks to the return of *Gavin & Stacey*, this unlikely writing duo from Buckinghamshire and Glamorgan are back with a vengeance.

How have they avoided the fall-outs that often come with long creative partnerships? “We shouldn’t actually be talking to each other right now,” says Corden. “Or at least this should be a period of reconciliation after a huge bust-up. But that’s never happened. In truth, we’re friends first, and it’s the most unusual friendship either of us have in our lives. We’ve been through so much.”

Jones makes an “aww” face: “There’s also a 12-year age gap, so we have a kind of older sister, younger brother relationship” – her tone hardens – “with all of the irritations that come with that.” They both explode with laughter.

Jones is in LA amid 2019’s wildfire season for a working holiday: “I’m not sure I’d suit living here. I’m not very good in the heat.” “It’s strange, isn’t it?” says Corden, whose neighbours include Arnold Schwarzenegger. “Some days, this feels like the most vulnerable place in the world to live.”

Corden, 41, is essentially indistinguishable in the flesh from his on-screen persona, Smithy – warm, funny, theatrically sentimental, with moments of highly strung indignation. Jones is another matter entirely. The heft and Welshness of Nessa from *Gavin & Stacey* are almost entirely absent. She’s surprisingly tiny (5ft 4in), almost posh – a 53-year-old who could be a decade younger. Indeed, both look better than ever: she’s in a blue V-neck top and white trousers, glasses pushed up into her hair; he’s stubbled, slimmed down in a black polo and jeans.

He says they “owed it to themselves” to revisit *Gavin & Stacey* – their sitcom about the bright-eyed young couple from Essex and Barry Island (played by Mathew Horne and Joanna Page), along with their best friends Smithy and Nessa. Jones says they always felt the characters were “carrying on their lives without us” and often imagined how they were getting on. For example, when Corden booked Adele to ▷

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LUSH!
Ruth Jones and James Corden as Nessa and Smithy ten years ago in the last series of *Gavin & Stacey*

◁ sing *Hello* on *Carpool Karaoke* – she's a childhood pal of his wife Julia – Jones suggested how Nessa would cover the song. Before I get a chance to ask how it sounded, she launches into it. "All right?" she deadpans, in her Nessa voice. "I'm in Barry Island dreamin'…" Corden doubles over in his chair, cackling. No one, it seems, can entertain these two quite like each other.

Although their schedules meant they had only two weeks together to write the special, it was a luxurious timetable compared with that of the show's pilot, written in 2005. As Jones tells it, the original idea came to them in a hotel bar while promoting ITV's *Fat Friends*, in which they both appeared. Corden had been telling her about a wedding he'd been to with an English groom and a Welsh bride, prompting Jones to imagine the bar's patrons as members of the two clans, "from the drunken aunty to the geeky uncle".

The next morning, after appearing on *Richard & Judy*, they spent an hour writing a series of character vignettes and the backstory of how the couple met. "It was called *It's My Day*," recalls Jones, "and Smithy's character was called Kyle. We thought it'd be a one-hour comedy drama."

That plan quickly changed after Stuart Murphy, then controller of BBC3, read the script. He suggested changing the format to a half-hour sitcom and dramatising the backstory, with the wedding in the final episode. He emailed that this could be the "best thing BBC3 ever makes". Corden remains incredulous. "We were like, 'How did he see that?'"

By this time, Jones was shooting *Nighty Night* and Corden was about to leave on the National Theatre's tour of *The History Boys*. "If you add up the time we had to work on [the pilot script], it was 24 hours – we never did a second draft, oddly," says Corden. *Gavin & Stacey* became not only BBC3's breakthrough hit, but also the most nominated show at the 2007 British Comedy Awards.

Throughout the writing and production of its three series – 20 episodes in total, including a 2008 Christmas special – they developed various ways of not killing each other. After one nasty argument, they left their hotel to buy Easter eggs, and fell asleep with them on their faces, hoping the smell of chocolate would calm them and give them inspiration. (It worked.)

'When Ruth walked in, I burst into tears – uncontrollably'
JAMES CORDEN

Whenever Corden didn't like one of Jones's ideas, meanwhile, he came up with the code phrase, "I think that's a good idea for 2030." She, however, expressed disapproval more passive-aggressively – by making a face and going quiet.

Eggs are a bit of a theme. When they were writing the last Christmas special at the Leonard Hotel near London's Marble Arch, says Corden, "We got so annoyed by the price of a boiled egg at the hotel, we tried to boil our own eggs in an ice bucket by putting hot water in it. Which absolutely, you should know, doesn't work."

When they got back together last year, were they worried they might have changed too much to function as a team? Jones looks at Corden and shrugs. "Your life has expanded, both personally and professionally," she tells him, "but you've remained, like… a boy from Bucks, basically. It's not like I came over here and you were suddenly speaking with an American accent."

Corden snorts: "Drinking a green juice and getting my lips done!" Then he gets serious. "I don't think either of us feel any different. There are differences in our lives and it'd be odd if there weren't. It would be really weird if we'd parked our tent in 2010. But it doesn't feel like anything has particularly changed. In fact, my wife organised a surprise birthday party for me last year – and when Ruth walked in, I just absolutely burst into tears. Uncontrollable sobbing. The truest friendships aren't predicated on time."

Although Corden and Jones won't be able to watch their work together on Christmas Day, Corden, his wife and their three children (Max, eight, Carey, five, and Charlotte, two) will at least be in Britain – after spending previous Christmasses in LA. Corden can't wait. "I don't think anywhere on Earth celebrates Christmas in the way that Britain does. The feeling you get when you go back and the lights are on and you've got your big coat – it's just glorious."

So will they both be tuning in for the Queen's Speech? "It used to be a real thing with my grandparents," offers Jones, sounding non-committal. Corden shrugs and says, "I'm a fan but not militant about it. I mean, if lunch overruns, or lunch starts late, which actually is more accurate… but it'll be an interesting one this year!"

They're less casual about the airing of their own show. Corden, Jones and the cast have created a group on WhatsApp to provide a live running commentary. "It will start going nuts" when the show airs, he says.

Are they worried about living up to the expectations of *Gavin & Stacey's* millions of fans – many of them too young to have seen any of the episodes when they were originally broadcast? Jones says: "There'll be some people who go, 'Oh, it's not what it used to be' – that's just the law of averages. However, I'm sure people will just enjoy seeing those characters again and spending Christmas with them."

Corden adds: "Honestly, making this Christmas special, from the moment we put the first Post-It note of the story up on the wall, to the moment we called wrap on the shoot, to the edit, to being on Facetime at four in the morning doing edit notes with Ruth, every single moment of it has been an absolute thrill. I wouldn't change a single second, so all we can do now is put it out into the world and hope that people respond to it." He shrugs. "And if they don't – we still wouldn't change a second."



FAMILY SHOW
Ruth Jones in her Sky 1 hit *Stella*



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James Corden with Adele

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Teatime stories

Michael Morpurgo and **Julia Donaldson** on children's tales of courage and danger – and why we must allow our kids to get muddy

INTERVIEW BY LIBBY PURVES

The Snail and the Whale
Christmas Day 2.30pm ***BBC1***
Mimi and the Mountain Dragon
Boxing Day 3.20pm ***BBC1***

We love our classy animations at Christmas and this year there are two brand-new films from our finest storytellers: both former children's laureates, wise and witty writers who speak to the heart and imagination. They are Julia Donaldson CBE and Sir Michael Morpurgo and their stories, like all the best midwinter legends, are about journeys, courage, danger and rescue.

Donaldson's *The Snail and the Whale* brings alive the sweeping, romantic adventure of a seashore mollusc who dreams of travel: she gets a lift on a humpback whale and circles the world. Julia's characters are all brave, from the mouse defying the Gruffalo to the lost twig indignantly crying out, "I'm Stick Man, that's me!" – little creatures defying a huge world. "I've always loved differences of scale," she says. "Giants, the tiny Borrowers – big and small things." Michael, next to her on the sofa, agrees. "It's a perennial feeling in childhood, being 'towered over'".

Donaldson began as a songwriter and busker, and still sings: rhythm matters. "Children are encouraged to write poems that are emotional, vivid, but more like prose chopped into lines. It is difficult to scan well, but when I've been asked, as a writer in residence, to teach them, they love it. Think of the rhythm in nursery rhymes."

Morpurgo, ten years a teacher, concurs – "My mother used to read to me or recite the poems she loved best, and poems are a kind of music." His *Mimi and the Mountain Dragon*, told with gentle lyricism, is set in a Swiss mountain village, which fears an angry dragon. Small Mimi finds a baby dragon in a shed, and sets out



to take it to its mother. The idea began for Morpurgo "on a holiday in the Engadine valley, when I was learning to ski and failing. We went out for a hot chocolate in Zuoz and heard this noise around the corner, like gunshots. There were all these kids ringing bells and cracking whips. You can't imagine it being allowed in England. But the teacher said, 'We have a procession, to frighten away the evil spirits.'

"In my town in Devon we have an equivalent, rolling flaming tar barrels down the street. So I brought the mountain spirit to life as a dragon that Mimi takes on a dangerous journey."

Both stories are about small creatures facing not only their own dangers but also protecting others. "Over the years," says Morpurgo, "in our charity [Farms for City Children, which he set up with his wife Clare], I've seen children's very close connection with creatures. They want to make trust with animals. See a child holding a tiny chick: protection is just a part of love."

Mimi's little dragon hums, she sings a carol and they fall into tune, making trust. As for Donaldson's tiny snail helping the beached whale, she says it's an old tradition of story-telling: "Reversing the roles: the mouse and the lion, the ant and the dove. Small creatures that chew through the ropes or bite the hunter."

Stories put ideas and dreams into children's minds, but also morals. "I was brought up on GA Henty," says Morpurgo. "If you were a boy, you were supposed to be strong and brave." Donaldson fondly remembers a story called *Beyond the Blue Mountains* – "Four children have to find their parents, who've gone beyond the mountain. You're supposed to take the hard, rocky road, and the ones who try the easy primrose path find a convolvulus plant that seems nice but twines and captures them… the girls, I remember, were very brave."

DO THEY WORRY ABOUT telling tales of courage and risk in an age of anxious overprotection? "Oh, yes," says Donaldson. "There's this muddled attitude sometimes, when books are made into films. People have an idea that children can't tell the difference between stories and real life. In a TV drama you can't show a child as an orphan, or with parents away. Parents have to be seen, so you can see that they're being kept an eye on.

"John Burningham wrote a book about a boy who steps off a cliff onto a cloud and lives with the Cloud People. Now, children KNOW you can't just step off a cliff! But there's this fear. I think that's why a lot of editors like a book about animals: animals can be shown taking risks. Otherwise it's, 'Oh dear! This child took something from a stranger! Can't have that…'"

Morpurgo nods in agreement, so I mischievously ask whether he considered little Mimi might responsibly report the baby dragon to the Relevant Authorities? A flash of disgust: "No she would *not*! What she wants to do, *decides* to do, is because she understands what the angry dragon really needs – its baby back. So she exposes herself to danger to help it.

"In our project, in the countryside, there's always an element of risk and decision-learning on how to be sensible. But we get crowded in by regulations, which make it difficult to let children have exposure to the countryside. I'm not suggesting they climb 30ft trees, but it's OK to jump across a ditch, fall in, get muddy. We mustn't limit them."

"Also," Donaldson adds, "it's important that children learn about nature and touch things, see flowers and wasps. People tell them to love the planet, but if you don't actually know what the planet is, and love things about it, why would you? You need to get dirty!"

Morpurgo adds, rhapsodically, "Dirty is good, falling over is good. I have this scar on my knee where I fell in the playground. They put on ▷

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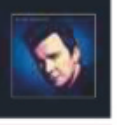

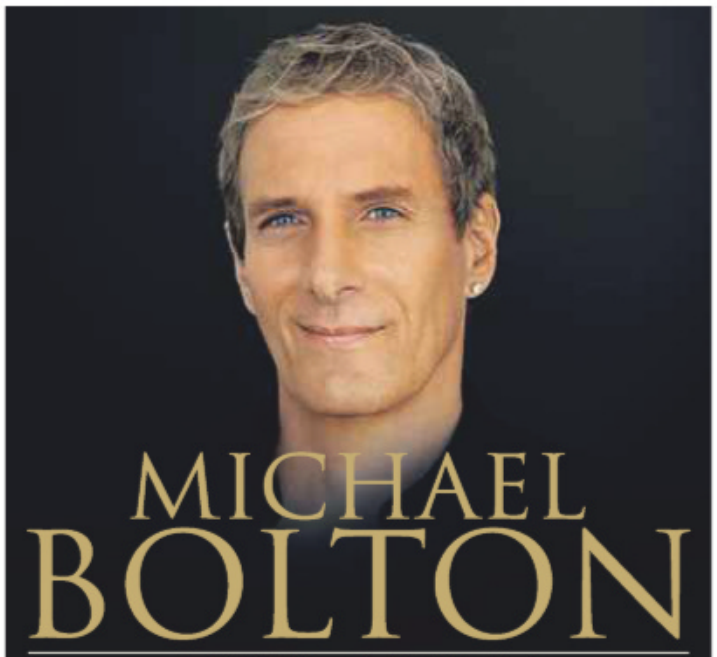

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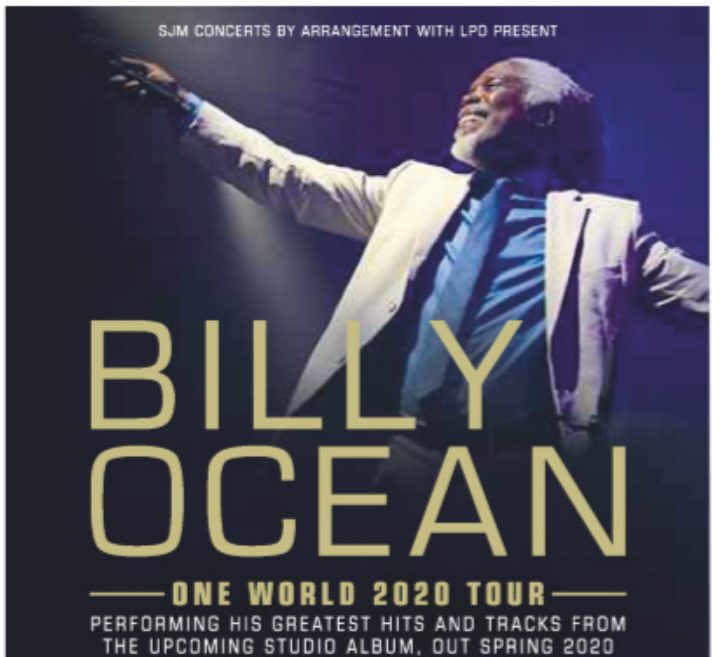

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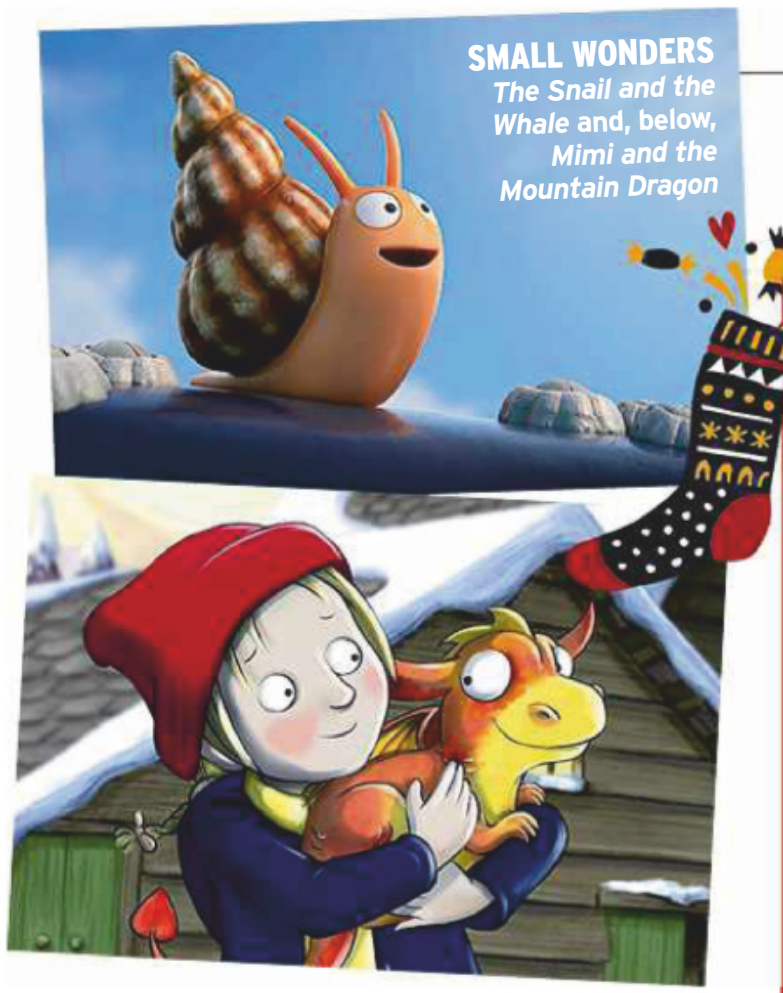

◁ iodine and sent you home. No fuss. The more children are exposed to the world the better!"

We expose them emotionally, too, through stories, and learn about their strengths and sensitivities. Donaldson reflects, "My Hamish, the one who died [she lost her eldest son to suicide at 25] – he'd be in floods of tears at Oscar Wilde's *The Selfish Giant*, and the garden. The others might be indifferent. It's a great way of discovering what they're like.

"But then, I remember dreadful books your children love but you'd want to drop down the back of the sofa. With one of my books a child did politely say, 'Granny, I prefer this.' It was the *Star Wars* catalogue! Even on Christmas Day, if my own animations are on TV I'm always nervous that a child will be bored."

Morpurgo has a striking Christmas memory. "When black and white TV came in, there were only two channels and the nation settled down at 5 o'clock and the BBC put on some Dickens. One year I saw my father for the first time." Actor Tony Van Bridge left the family before Michael knew him; people in divorced families didn't, he says, talk about it. "But there he was, playing Magwitch in *Great Expectations*. My mother slapped me on the knee and said, 'That's your father!'"

'Dirty is good, falling over is good'

MICHAEL MORPURGO

That must have been quite a shock for Morpurgo but, he says, "the point is, here was the whole stepfamily together, looking at this man they'd not talked about for eight years, but all watching the same thing. That's the beauty of the Christmas gathering: the whole family sharing stories. We need to assemble, be conscious of the people who aren't there this year. Religious or not, there's that word "goodwill". And we need it more and more."

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Dear Dad... and Mum

Michael Bond's daughter Karen Jankel on...

Paddington Bear



Has Paddington been a lifetime companion for you? Oh, absolutely, like a sibling. I was born two months before my dad's first book was published in 1958, so I grew up with him as part of the family and he was totally, totally real. It probably sounds a little bit crazy.

Did you mind sharing "your" bear with the world? Yes and no, because the actual bear my father bought in 1956 [in Selfridges on Christmas Eve] is part of our family and quite different to the bear that everybody else knows. He inspired the stories, but the bear that lived with us, and lives with us still in fact, is a bit more sophisticated.

What have you learnt from Paddington? Paddington was the voice of my father, really. He was a very funny man; he taught me you can get through anything in life with a sense of humour.

Especially now that Britain seems such a divided place? Dad was very sad about that. He continued writing about Paddington until very close to the end [he died in 2017] and that's partly because we need his kindness and that accepting of strangers more than ever.

And did Paddington join you for Christmas lunch? He usually sat on the table and he would certainly go to important events when I was small, in a handbag or a pocket. Although, when my father got his CBE, he couldn't go because they search your handbag at Buckingham Palace, so Paddington had to stay at home!

And when your parents' marriage ended? It was a bit like when couples break up and they have joint custody of the children, that's exactly what they did with the bear. My mum and dad stayed good friends. My father didn't fall out with people.

Do you find solace in the fondness with which he's remembered? Yes, it's lovely. I feel fortunate because my father is remembered. People leave little bears on his headstone [in Paddington Old Cemetery].

MICHAEL HODGES

Paddington: the Man Behind the Bear – Boxing Day 9.00pm BBC2

Judith Kerr's daughter Tacy Kneale on...

The Tiger Who Came to Tea



Did you grow up with *The Tiger Who Came to Tea*? I don't remember a time when it wasn't part of my life! Mum told me lots of stories when I was little, but my favourite was *The Tiger Who Came to Tea*. I used to ask her to "talk the tiger".

Can you remember the visit to London Zoo that inspired the book? I was about two. I still love going there, but it was very different then. The tiger would have been in a Victorian cage with bars and a concrete floor instead of the tiger territory they have now with trees and a pond!

Are you Sophie? That's our house and our kitchen and that's the High Street where we lived in Barnes in south-west London...

Do you think about how different your mum's childhood in Germany was to yours? My mum's escape from Nazi Germany, which she wrote about in *When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit*, was about as different as you could get from my peaceful childhood in Barnes.

You sadly lost your mum this year – did she see the new animated version of *The Tiger Who Came to Tea*? She did and, even though it wasn't finished, she liked it very much. The cast is brilliant and the Tiger's growls and sinuous movements add extra elements to the story. Mum would have been excited that it's going out at Christmas. One of my favourite parts of Christmas is the tree. This year I'll decorate mine with the glass baubles Mum used every year on her tree. **MH**

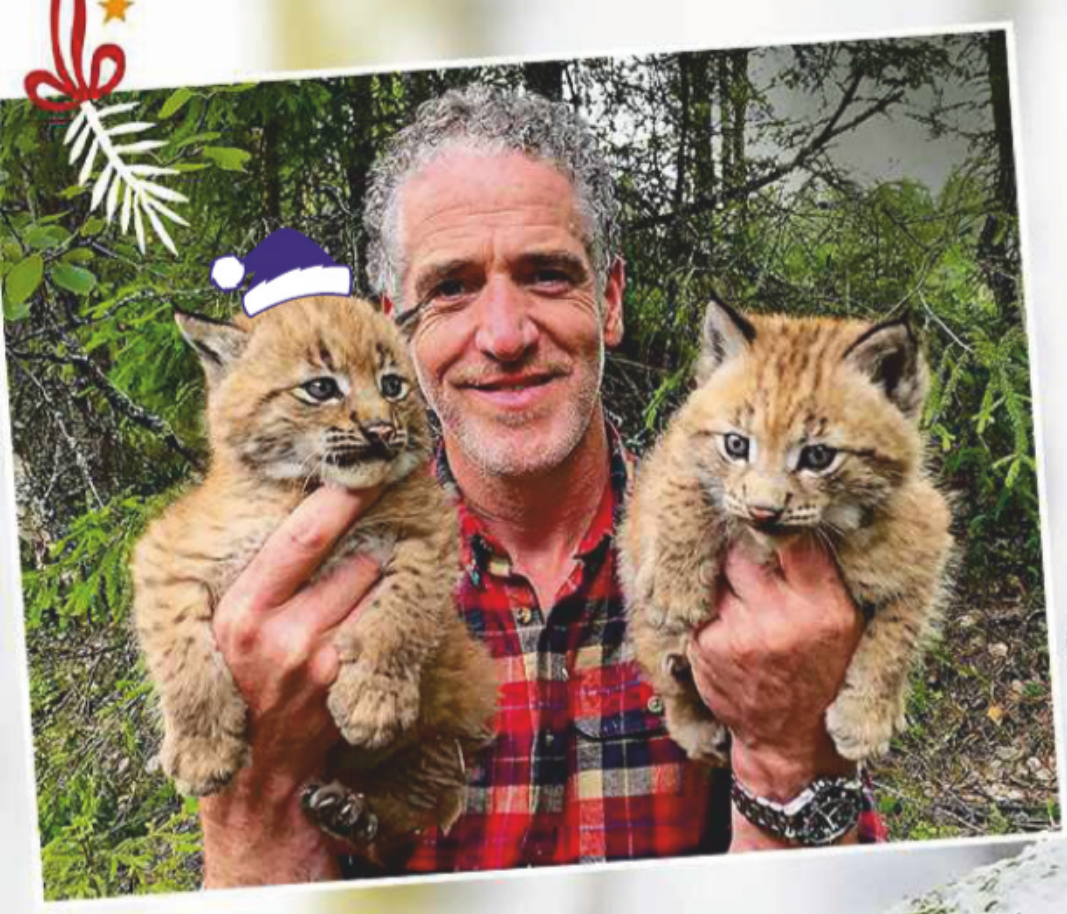
The Tiger Who Came to Tea – Christmas Eve 7.30pm C4



ANIMAL MAGIC
Michael Bond's Paddington Bear and, right, Judith Kerr's *The Tiger Who Came to Tea*

The lynx effect

They might be captured and caged in Russia, but these beautiful cats could soon be running wild in the UK says **Gordon Buchanan**



SPECIAL DELIVERY
Gordon Buchanan with lynx cubs Aliona and Ivan. An adult lynx measures up to 75cm at the shoulder, about three times the size of a domestic cat



Snow Cats and Me

Sun 29 Dec 8.00pm, Mon 30 Dec 9.00pm ***BBC2***

WHO DOESN'T LOVE a happy-ever-after story at Christmas? Well, this year, wildlife cameraman Gordon Buchanan has an uplifting, gift-wrapped tale for us about the pair of beautiful lynx cubs he has a protective grip of in the picture opposite.

Like most stories that stir the heart, it comes with a bleak and unpromising preamble. The cubs' parents had been caged in a Russian garage for four years. They had already produced three litters, which had been slaughtered for their fur. Weak and malnourished, they were presumed to have outlived their usefulness. But instead of destroying them, the owner handed them over to a lynx rescue project. And then the miracle happened.

"They didn't look remotely in breeding condition," says Buchanan. "So it was a huge surprise to discover the female was pregnant. No one could believe it." The fluffy bundles that resulted are named Aliona and Ivan, and this two-part film follows them and their parents as they're taught

'There is more than enough prey for them in Scotland'

how to live in the wild. For Buchanan, the process was a joyful one, for he had witnessed the conditions that the parents had been condemned to.

"You look at an animal like a lynx in a cage and you know what it's capable of doing and how it wants to live its life. A lynx in captivity is just taxidermy with a heartbeat."

Buchanan says there are an estimated 30,000 wild lynx across Russia. Thousands more are kept in captivity, either reared as pets or bred for their fur. "You can find lynx cubs for sale online for just under £1,000. It's a free and open trade. But these animals will never be truly domesticated. They are pre-programmed to hide, to stalk and to hunt." Which is exactly what they used to do in the UK, until they were hunted to extinction, around AD 700. But Buchanan believes that will soon change, saying he'd be "very surprised" if lynx are not released into the wild in the UK within the next ten years.

"There is more than enough prey for them to survive – for instance, roe deer numbers in Scotland are out of control and the woodlands are suffering as a consequence."

Buchanan says that landowners are recognising the benefit of returning parts of our landscape to their natural state. "But for it to be truly natural, you have to have all those missing parts of the puzzle, and lynx are a vital part of that.

"We live in one of the most biologically bereft countries in the world. We should restore what we have lost – both habitats and species." **TERRY PAYNE**

Nature Highlights

THE LAST IGLOO ***Christmas Eve BBC4*** Described as a "visual poem to the Inuit lifestyle", this 90-minute piece of exquisitely made slow TV is also a lament for a landscape that's fast being lost. The film follows East Greenlandic hunter Julius Nielsen as he ekes out an existence in the high Arctic – a world of snow and ice that is melting before his eyes. Prepare to have your heart warmed and your conscience chilled.

Film-maker Christian Collerton followed 40-year-old father-of-four Julius, chronicling in deliberate and painstaking detail the life of a hunter. From fishing using nets and lures through holes cut in the sea ice to, yes, building "the last igloo" – a metaphor for global warming.



Says Collerton: "It's easy to think of climate change as a remote problem, but to the people of Greenland and the rest of the Arctic, it's very real."

SNOW ANIMALS ***Monday 30 December BBC1*** Snowy landscapes also provide the backdrop to this film that sees Liz Bonnin look at how animals, from chipmunks to caribou, prepare for the arrival of winter.



BEST OF SEVEN WORLDS, ONE PLANET ***New Year's Day BBC1*** Five-star reviews, more than eight million viewers every Sunday and hailed by critics as "visually magnificent" and the BBC's "best wildlife show ever", don't miss this compilation of the very best sequences.

EARTH'S TROPICAL ISLANDS ***New Year's Day–3 January BBC2*** Made, like *Seven Worlds...* by the BBC's Natural History Unit, three documentaries look at the wildlife of three very different islands – Borneo, Madagascar and Hawaii – including sun bears, lemurs and carnivorous caterpillars.

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Guy Pearce is Scrooge in Steven Knight's adaptation of *A Christmas Carol*

Bah, humbug!

Scrooge may hate Christmas, but the stars of this Dickens adaptation can't wait...

A Christmas Carol *Sun 22 Dec 9.00pm, Mon 23 Dec 9.05pm, Christmas Eve 9.00pm* **BBC1**

SCREEN ADAPTATIONS OF *A Christmas Carol* have become as familiar a Yuletide tradition as terrible cracker jokes, drinking too much eggnog and family rows.

We all know the story: ruthless miser Ebenezer Scrooge's "Bah, humbug" view of Christmas is softened by a series of visiting ghosts. Which is why Andy Serkis says that he was initially sceptical when he was approached to play the Ghost of Christmas Past in a new, three-part BBC1 adaptation of Charles Dickens's classic seasonal tale by Steven Knight, the creator of *Peaky Blinders*.

"I have to admit," says 55-year-old Serkis, "when I heard there was going to be another *Christmas Carol*, I thought, 'Really? Do we need another one?' But I couldn't stop reading the script. Steven has chosen to tell this tale for a very modern audience and set it in a world that is corrupt, as we know ours to be. So I found myself saying, 'I have to do this!'"

With Knight behind the project, viewers should know not to expect a cosy, chocolate-box Christmas gift. Guy Pearce, 52, who plays Scrooge, says, "This version feels pretty brutal. It's very raw and rough. It's not without hope, but it gets under your skin and will make people uncomfortable. Redemption is what we are looking forward to in *A Christmas Carol*. But in this version, the journey we're taken on towards that is painful but beautifully handled. I hope people will say at the end, 'Wow, that was different!'"

STEPHEN GRAHAM, 46, who plays Jacob Marley, reiterates that "*A Christmas Carol* is very dark. It's not all sugar-coating and beautiful Christmas scenes. It was a great way for Dickens to look at society at the time and show how people were suffering. And what Steven has done is hold a mirror up to society today. The divide between rich and poor is still huge, and the story is just as relevant as when it was written – in fact, even more so. We should not be in this position. We are not moving forward. In certain respects, we're actually going backwards."

So what will audiences take away from this interpretation of *A Christmas Carol*?

"It's about the importance of kindness and looking after your fellow man or woman," says Graham. "Offer a hand to help the person below you. We could all be in that position one day – you never know what's round the corner. It's nice to be nice."

JAMES RAMPTON

Guy Pearce

SCROOGE

MY CHRISTMAS PAST I grew up in Australia, so we were all in the pool, on the beach, roasting turkey and eating traditional Christmas food in 35°C heat! But my mother is from the UK, and I was born here, so one Christmas that really sticks with me was in 1977, when I was ten, and came to Hartlepool. That was memorable. To have Christmas in the snow was so traditional – that's what you see on the Christmas cards – but it was unusual for me. To be rolling around in the snow and sliding around on the ice on my nana's street was just fantastic.

MY CHRISTMAS PRESENT My mother and sister still live in Australia, so it would be nice to have Christmas with them. But I'm torn because I'm now spending a lot of time in Holland, with my partner Carice [van Houten, also an actor] and our little boy. So now we may do one Christmas in Holland and one in Australia! There is a sense of ritual about Christmas that is always enjoyable, but I don't have a Christmas tree, I have a three-and-a-half-metre-tall wire giraffe called Misty, who gets all of the decorations and tinsel.

MY CHRISTMASSES YET TO COME I'm becoming more of a Scrooge and questioning why we make Christmas such a big deal! But I have a two-and-a-half-year-old son, so my perspective is changing. He'll become more excited about Christmas, so I'll have to kiss my Scrooge tendencies goodbye. ▷

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MY CHRISTMAS PAST One of my favourites was the year I wanted a pair of football boots. My dad tricked me by putting them in a giant box, so I was initially really disappointed. That's the kind of stuff my dad used to do! The only bad Christmas I remember is the year we went out in the morning and forgot about the turkey. When we came home, it was completely burnt. We ended up eating cold spud sandwiches. Not the best Christmas dinner!

MY CHRISTMAS PRESENT My wife Hannah and I set up the presents for the children downstairs the night before, and on Christmas morning, we let them come down early. Then we chill out, enjoy the morning and take it in turns to open presents. We eat late at around six, so we'll have a relaxing day, with lots of time to play Uno and Cluedo. I'm so grateful for all I have, and Christmas is a good time to reflect on that. When we do our Christmas shop, we always get two trolleys – one for us and one for the food bank, so the kids realise how fortunate we are.

MY CHRISTMASSES YET TO COME I just hope in the future I don't get one of those horrible Christmas jumpers. You have to smile and say, "Oh, that's lovely! Thank you." While at the same time hoping there's still a tag on it, so you can take it back to the shop and get some socks instead – or you rewrap it and give it to a mate!



Andy Serkis

THE GHOST OF CHRISTMAS PAST

MY CHRISTMAS PAST My worst memory is from the late 1980s. I was single, living in a freezing flat in Brixton, very much on my own and feeling sorry for myself. I remember taking some mince pies to give to some homeless people – that was the highlight of my day. One of my favourite Christmasses was more recent: my family and I spent it in Whistler in British Columbia in Canada, which was absolutely amazing. I was in the middle of filming *War of the Planet of the Apes*, but we were able spend ten days there. We stayed in a lodge and skied every day. It was a magical, snowy Christmas.

MY CHRISTMAS PRESENT This year I'll be filming at Leavesden Studios, north west of London, but I'll be at home for Christmas Day – I won't be at Harry Potter World in Leavesden, having Christmas with Dumbledore! My one worry is the presents – the things I think will make the best presents often turn out to be not what people want at all... One year I bought my wife something I thought would be incredible, but she didn't like it and I had to find the receipt. That's our main Christmas tradition – taking presents that I've given people back to the shop!

MY CHRISTMASSES YET TO COME As long as all the family are together for Christmas in the future, I'll be happy. The best Christmasses are always at home. It's the one time of the year when work closes down and you can pull up the drawbridge and there's a real sense of peace.

INTERVIEWS BY **JAMES RAMPTON**

Not snowing out

RT sent Sally Bretton and Lee Mack off to the slopes – but will they finally be going out this Christmas?

Not Going Out
Christmas Eve 10.00pm ***BBC1***

On Christmas Day, will you be staying at home or going out?

LEE MACK It's just me, my wife and three children on Christmas Day. We'll go and see my family up north just before Christmas. And then my wife's family are coming over on the 27th. It's the one time of year when I'm head chef and this year we're trying to be more environmentally responsible and cut out meat completely.

SALLY BRETTON My husband, three children and I will be hosting it at home this year. My mum and brother will come to us.

How big do you go on gifts? Do you go out shopping and buy everything far in advance, or order online at the last minute?

LEE I'm trying to stop online shopping. We all complain about Amazon not paying tax, then we use it all the time. And I'm sick of seeing my local shops closing. So instead of going into a mad panic three days before Christmas, I'm trying to be more organised.

SALLY I tend to do a lot of it online. But I've tried to use my local town as well. Normally, I don't plan very well, but I've had to get ahead this year because I'm about to start a play [a UK tour of *Dial M for Murder*].

Do you ever venture abroad for Christmas?

LEE I don't think I've ever gone abroad for Christmas. For me, it's the one day of the year that remains special, despite it becoming so over-commercialised. We try to remind ourselves it's a time for calm and reflection.

SALLY My husband's Australian, so we've had loads of Australian Christmasses. We're overdue one, actually. Swimming in the sea on Christmas morning is a bit odd. But they still do the full turkey roast, even in the heat.

So you've never actually spent it skiing?

LEE I broke my leg skiing as a kid, on the second day of a two-week family holiday. I was in plaster, reading comics. I loved it. But I've never really embraced it since. The views are amazing, but I think of it as a beautiful holiday ruined.

SALLY I went skiing with the school when I was 16. I absolutely loved it, but I've never done it since and I don't know why. I think when my kids are a bit bigger, I'll rope them into doing it with me. It's high up on the list of things I want to do again. **DAVID BROWN**

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Hotline to the queen of comedy

Dame Edna Rules the Waves *New Year's Eve 9.05pm* ***BBC1 (not Scotland)***



What a privilege to meet you, Dame Edna.
Radio Times is a very special periodical and I'm longing to be back between its covers.

Tell us about your new show.
It takes place on my luxury yacht. I was out there on the ocean and suddenly a drone sailed over and it was a BBC camera. They'd found me! I'm a kind of medicine for the British people. I was on prescription, but now I can be had over the counter.

Do you feel you're an inspiration?
Little Graham Norton – that boy learnt so much from me. The chair that flips back, that was my invention!

You and the Queen are both on TV within a week. Have you spoken recently?
She's been on the phone non-stop. What's happened lately has been very upsetting, but she said, "We'll roll with the punches."

Any other exciting news?
My widowhood has been interrupted by a wonderful romance with a lovely man.

Dare I ask who?
Prince Harry's father-in-law. My Tommy.

Thomas Markle? Tell us more!
Oh, there's a light flashing on my phone... It's the Palace again! **MICHAEL HODGES**

Comedy highlights

THE GOES WRONG SHOW ***Monday 23 Dec BBC1*** In an am-dram show called *The Spirit of Christmas*, Santa has too much sherry...

CINDERELLA: AFTER EVER AFTER ***Christmas Eve Sky 1*** What happens to Prince Charming and Cinderella after the fairy-tale ending? David Walliams and Sian Gibson find out. Tom Courtenay and Celia Imrie co-star.

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My Worzel Gummidge diary

Mackenzie Crook on why he fell in love with the Scarecrow of Scatterbrook

THREE'S COMPANY
Mackenzie Crook as Worzel Gummidge, with Thierry Wickens and India Brown as John and Susan

Worzel Gummidge
Boxing Day 6.20pm, Friday 27 Dec 7.00pm **BBC1**



Since I've been an actor, helpful friends and strangers have felt obliged to suggest parts that they think I could play. It started with my sister's idea that I should audition for Mr Muscle. Others have imagined me as various of Charles Dickens's more odious characters: Scrooge, Fagin, Uriah Heep etc.

Then there were those who suggested I take the roles that creeped them out in childhood: *Catweazle*, *Stig of the Dump*, *Rentaghost's* Mr Claypole and, yes, Worzel Gummidge. Some of those parts have been wafted my way over the years and I've petulantly turned them down, but there was something about the Scarecrow of Scatterbrook that piqued my interest.

April 2017 – falling in love

It didn't take long, after I was asked if I would work on a new adaptation of Barbara Euphan Todd's *Worzel Gummidge* novels, to fall in love with the world and characters she created.

The first of Todd's books was published in 1936, and the character became popular in stories heard on BBC Radio's *Children's Hour* before the war. The idea is a timeless one of displaced children finding a secret, magical friend who leads them on adventures. With his charming mixture of naivety and wisdom, the character of Worzel is enduring.

I spent that summer filming the last series of *Detectorists*, but when it was over I felt as though my business in the English countryside was not yet done. In *Detectorists* I enjoyed hinting at the myths and lore of rural England, but in the heightened world of Scatterbrook, where scarecrows come alive, I felt I could weave these legends into the story in a more overt and colourful way.

I also wanted this new adaptation to have an environmental message at its centre. Not a preaching, soap-box message, but a subtle invitation to everyone to appreciate the natural world and each do our bit to protect it.

December 2018 – finding the look and voice of a scarecrow

The writing is one of my favourite parts of the process (the early part at least, when deadlines are distant ships on the horizon) and I holed up in my office in north London. I didn't watch Jon Pertwee's Worzel as a boy [the ITV series ran from 1979 to 81] and decided to avoid it until I had formed some ideas of my own. First, I read all ten of Todd's original novels and noted interesting themes and characters.

The look of Worzel came to me almost immediately, and his voice wasn't far behind. I could hear a gravelly, storyteller's voice that was as ▷

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◁ old as the hills, and as I wrote the lines, I spoke them out loud. I had soon become so fond of that scarecrow, I couldn't stand to let anyone else play him.

April 2019 – hiring Michael Palin

I only started thinking about casting once the scripts were written. The children, Susan and John, are central to the stories and we couldn't have been luckier in finding India Brown and Thierry Wickens to play them. Their level of commitment and professionalism sometimes put the adults to shame. Added to which, whenever they were on set, nobody could help but smile.

When it came to the Green Man, the maker of scarecrows and the mysterious link between them and the human world, it took me all of 30 seconds to realise I wanted Michael Palin – no one else would do. I needed an actor with proper screen presence and gravitas, who was also a brilliant comedian. That's Sir Michael Palin. The day he accepted was one of my best yet.

It then took a huge collaboration between make-up, costume, design and prosthetics departments to realise the strange creatures that I had sketched – not least some brilliant actors who accepted the parts even though

'Winter George is based on a real robin in my garden'

their faces would be hidden behind pumpkins and marrows. Look out for the onion-headed scarecrow in part two – he's played by Kiran Shah, who was a scarecrow in Jon Pertwee's *Worzel Gummidge*.

The series is set in a fictional Wessex, but in order to keep costs and the environmental impact to a minimum, we shot everything in the home counties, mainly Hertfordshire and Buckinghamshire. The furthest we travelled was to the rolling Chilterns, where we found our perfect Scatterbrook Farm.

June 2019 – nine days of rain

On a typical filming day I left the house at 4.30am to be in the make-up chair by five. Then followed three hours of prosthetic make-up application, into costume and on set by 8.30am.

The scripts are set 90 per cent outdoors in a glorious, blazing summer, and I had a strange, almost psychic premonition that we would get exactly the wonderful weather we needed. But it was a rubbish premonition, because it rained for the first nine days of the shoot. However, it has to be raining really hard before it shows up on camera, and we were able to disguise the damp with clever lighting and camera angles.



HANGING AROUND
Mackenzie Crook filming on location. Inset, left: Crook decorated his script by burning marks on it using the sun's rays and a magnifying glass



FEATHERED FRIEND
Winter George – Crook's real-life robin companion that inspired Worzel's avian chum

October 2019 – folk fan

I learnt on *Detectorists* the importance of music in film-making, and how Johnny Flynn and Dan Michaelson's soundtrack almost became another character in the story. The music for *Worzel Gummidge* is composed by Adrian McNally and performed by his English folk band the Unthanks. I have been a fan of theirs for years and to have original music by one of my favourite bands is incredible. I'm in awe of people who make music, because I'm no musician, and I find it a mystical process beyond my understanding. I gave Adrian vague notes and notions that he interpreted into wonderful orchestral pieces and lilting folk refrains. One song in particular, *The Scarecrow Knows*, is a traditional tune with new lyrics; I think it will become a classic.

November 2019 – my robin

Worzel has a robin friend called Winter George, who nests in his coat. Winter George is based on a real robin in my garden that comes indoors, feeds from my hand and has been my companion for three years. But we couldn't film in my garden and the real George wasn't going to follow us out to Hertfordshire, so we've had to create a CGI robin. It's a beautiful, photorealistic creation that I'm certain will be a favourite with audiences – Worzel's feathered Tinker Bell.

We also used CGI to make Worzel look like a real scarecrow. In our version, he's not stuffed with straw but just clothes hung on a wooden frame, so every time his coat flaps open we see straight through him. The visual effects team have done a brilliant job with that.

December 2019 – watch this together (minus earphones)

I'll watch *Worzel* on TV with my family when it goes out at Christmas, as that's how I hope many others will watch it. Nowadays, there are so many ways of seeing films and programmes, but I've always imagined this as "special occasion" TV that people will watch together – without earphones.

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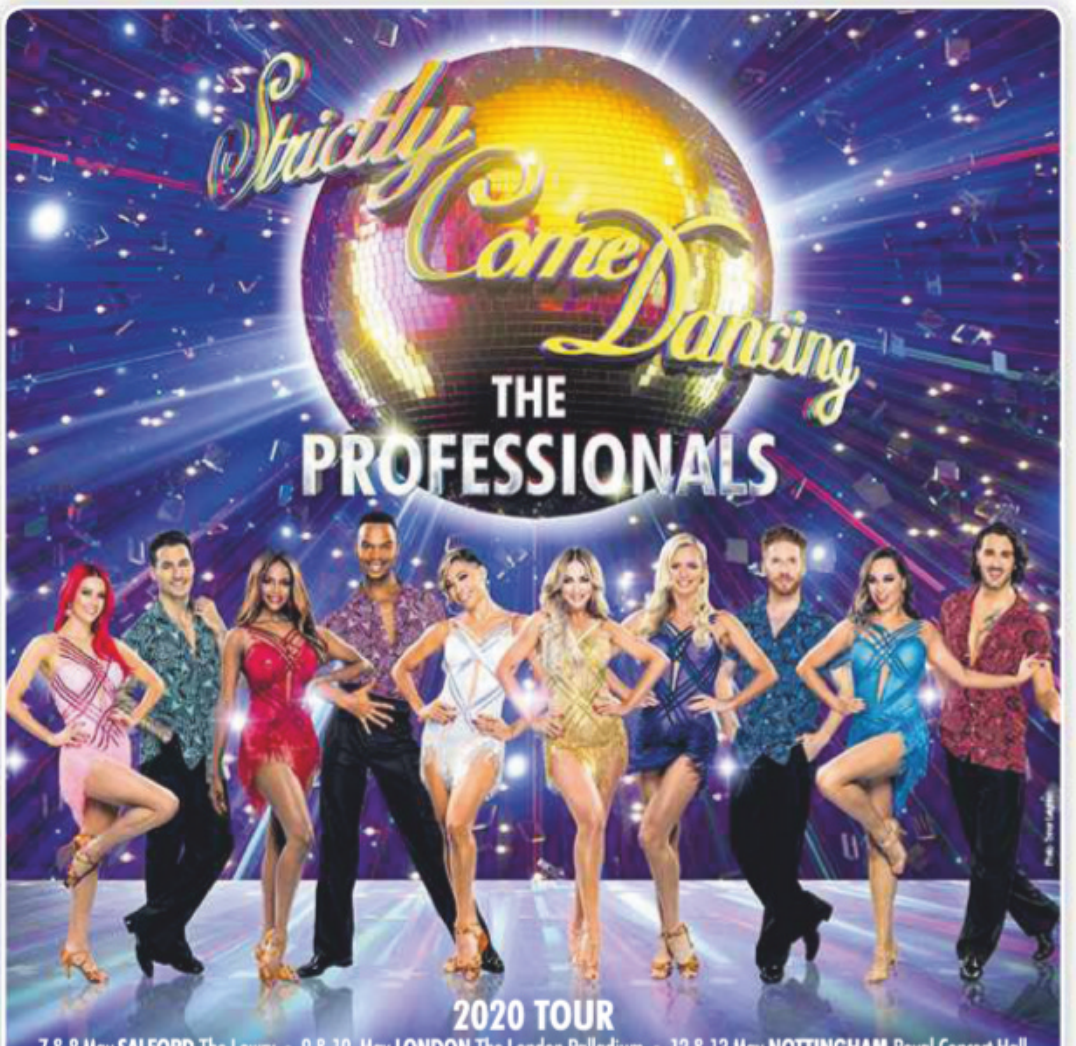

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LEADING LADY
Hayward in *Romeo and Juliet: Beyond Words*

FRANCESCA HAYWARD IS truly on pointe. Not only is the Royal Ballet principal dancer starring in their upcoming film of *Romeo and Juliet*, she's also in the forthcoming movie version of *Cats*, alongside Dame Judi Dench. And she was one of the 15 women chosen to appear on the cover of the September issue of *Vogue* by the Duchess of Sussex. To have achieved all this by the age of 27 is pretty spectacular, but Hayward is taking it all in her perfectly turned-out stride.

She puts that down to her training at the Royal Ballet's White Lodge school, where she enrolled at the age of 11, having been born in Nairobi to an English father and a Kenyan mother. She moved from Kenya to live with her grandparents in Worthing, Sussex, at the age of two, so joining the legendary school in Richmond Park, south-west London, was no big deal. "I was never really homesick," she says, "but I had to learn to be independent. Doing things like changing my sheets, things that other young people learn at university, I learnt at the age of 11. And working long days, that's ingrained in you. As is respect for others, and manners. Ballet teaches you all that."

Accolades came early: she won Young British Dancer of the Year in 2010, and was picked out as a star of the future by Dame Darcey Bussell. But Hayward remained pragmatic: "Recognition is nice, but you can't let it go to your head. You have to prove yourself every time you do a show."

And there have been many shows – Hayward has danced most of classical ballet's leading female roles since appearing as Clara in *The Nutcracker* at Covent Garden in 2012, including the Sugar Plum Fairy, Manon, Titania and Giselle. "The toughest is definitely Aurora in *Sleeping Beauty*," she says. "I have never felt so tired as after act one. And then you have acts two and three to go! However, I'm also debuting in *Swan Lake* soon, so I may change my mind on that."

The stamina she's acquired on stage stood her in good stead on the Budapest set of *Romeo and Juliet: Beyond Words*. Hayward says the film, in which producers Michael Nunn and William Trevitt from BalletBoyz present Kenneth MacMillan's choreography, will change the way people see classical ballet. "It's not shot in the conventional way, which usually has the cameras following the action on a stage," she says. "In this film, we had actual rooms to dance through. We had to plot through the ballet step by step to get a fresh take."

As one of the first mixed-race ballerinas to reach such heights at the Royal Ballet, Hayward has been hailed as a trailblazer. She flinches from this. "When I was at ballet school, the fact I was a woman of colour never crossed my mind. I was only ever judged on my work ethic and my talent."

Yet she cannot escape being a role model, and she knows it. *Cats*, directed by Tom Hooper (the man behind *The King's Speech*), and starring a host of celebrities, including James Corden and Taylor Swift, will bring a whole new level of fame and attention when it's released this month. "I've already had messages from people who want to come to Covent Garden to see me dance. A lot of mothers with young girls say they've been inspired by me."

IT'S HAYWARD'S ABILITY to inspire that saw her handpicked by the Duchess of Sussex to appear on the cover of *Vogue*. "I had no idea that Meghan was guest-editing. I did the shoot with the late Peter Lindbergh [he died in September], and then just before the issue came out, the editor, Edward Enninful, called to thank me, and said there was someone who wanted to speak to me. It was Meghan, and she said, 'I'm guest-editing the issue, thank you for being one of the women representing forces for change.' When the magazine came out she sent me a lovely leather notebook with an inscription written by her. I treasure it."

Is Hayward a force for change? "The force for change I represent is of course from being a mixed-race ballerina. Other people of colour need to see me here as an inspiration. It was never a concern for me and I hope mixed-race dancers never need to discuss their race, or be asked about it. I'm acknowledging that it needs to be talked about now, but in the future I don't want to talk about it."

Hayward wants her art to be the talking point, and who can blame her?



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Hayward aged ten, just before she joined the Royal Ballet School

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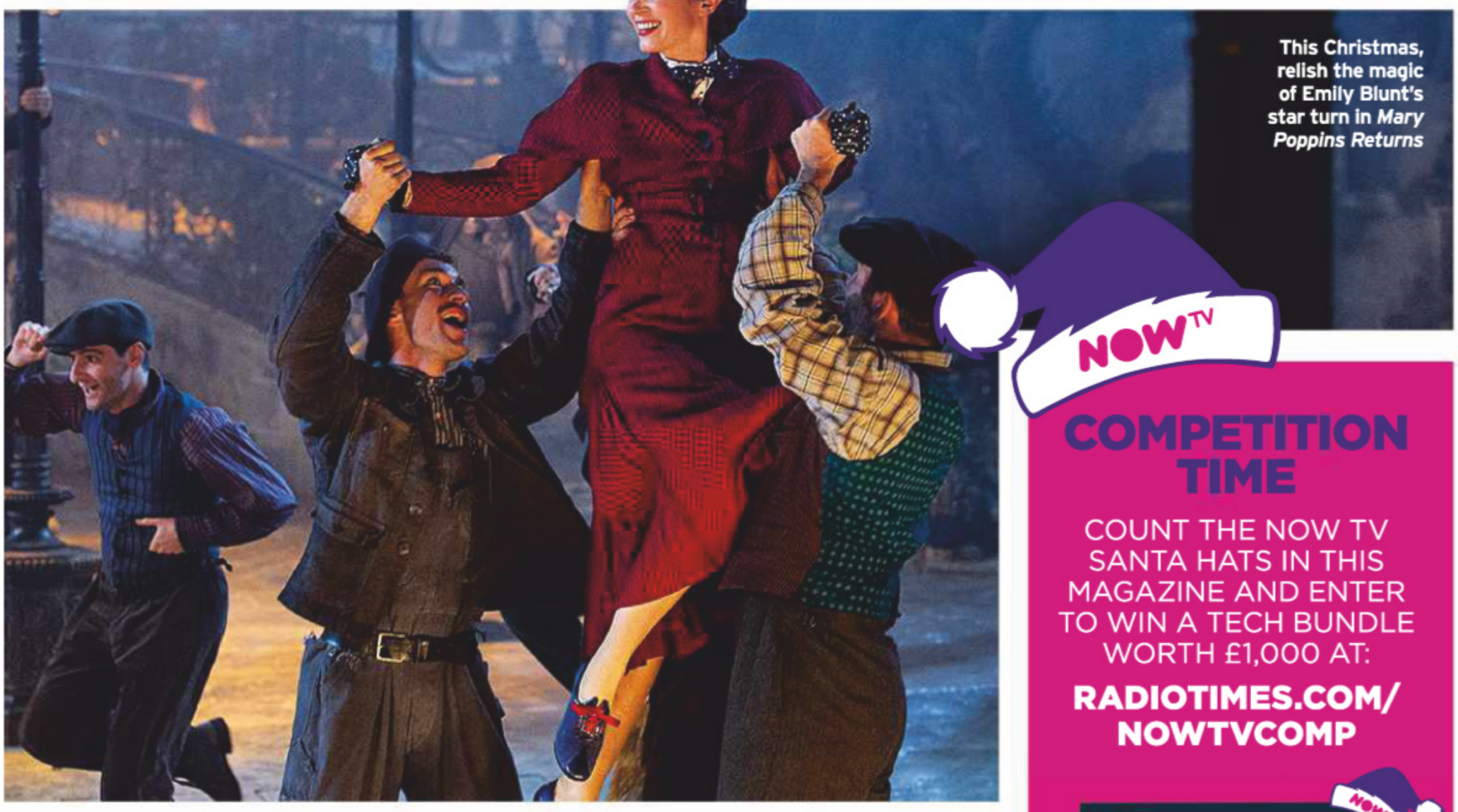

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Miranda: My Such Fun Celebration *New Year's Day 5.45pm BBC1*

Such *fun!*

Ten years after finding fame, **Miranda Hart** has become a life coach – here are her four steps to happiness

I AM VERY lucky. This year I feel I have the best Christmas present I could ever hope for – although there is a risk that sounds self-congratulatory and grandiose. I assure you that it's genuinely neither, for I'm no good at being self-congratulatory and if I ever have a flash of thinking that I've acted grand in any way, I go into profuse, over-the-top "British apologising", almost scraping the floor with regret, squirming and wishing I could reduce my 6ft 1in frame to a tiny little ball and hide behind a cushion somewhere.

However, paradoxically, one of the aspects of my Christmas present this year is allowing myself to move from apologetic to taking up my space confidently and becoming a little more honouring of self. Let me explain, dear reader…

You see, autumn 2019 marked ten years since my sitcom *Miranda* first aired. So, as I prepared for my TV special, *My Such Fun Celebration*, it's been a time to reflect.

'Climbing the career ladder doesn't bring meaning'

As I looked back on the decade, I could see how much I have learnt, in part from understanding what Miranda meant and continues to mean to those who love her. The letters I've received have been incredibly moving and, in and of themselves, they are unbelieveable presents.

I have heard from people who got through grief by watching something that made them laugh; people with chronic illness finding joy in their lives, which in turn has led to symptom relief; young women who conquered anxiety and depression by believing that if Miranda could find love and accept herself then they could, too.

To see that lives have been saved or changed – that's why art is important. Ironically, for the past three or four years, I've been researching the "keys" to wellbeing, taking courses and training to be a life coach. Yet, within *Miranda* I was writing most of the keys without knowing it! Now, as a result of my research, personal experience and fans' letters, I can pass them on with authority. And that's the greatest gift.

So, this Christmas, please consider giving yourself these gifts – the starting points on the road to self-acceptance that I and my on-screen alter ego know to be true. There are many that I could share, but let these be the most important ones:

1 There is only one of you, therefore you are uniquely beautiful.

2 Every day, find the joy and play. It's play that frees us, keeps us young and fit, and creates our best memories. It can even inform what you want to do with your life. As the new year looms, dispense with the concept of "career", climbing the ladder and being societally successful – it breeds neither happiness nor meaning. PLAY.

3 Be vulnerable with friends, open up. Don't be ashamed of so-called negative feelings. By opening up, you free others to be vulnerable, so it's a courageous act. And if you feel lonely this Christmas, know we are all connected – I love you – and find ways to feel that connection, whether through TV (get circling some lovely shows in *Radio Times*!) or other ways. You are not alone.

4 Take up your space without apology. You have a unique purpose as you grace this planet at this time in history. Celebrate and encourage yourself and those around you. Don't compare. Your purpose might feel small and simple, but it never is.

I hope you enjoy the reunion show. Thank you so, so much for watching over the years, and Happy Christmas!

Miranda x



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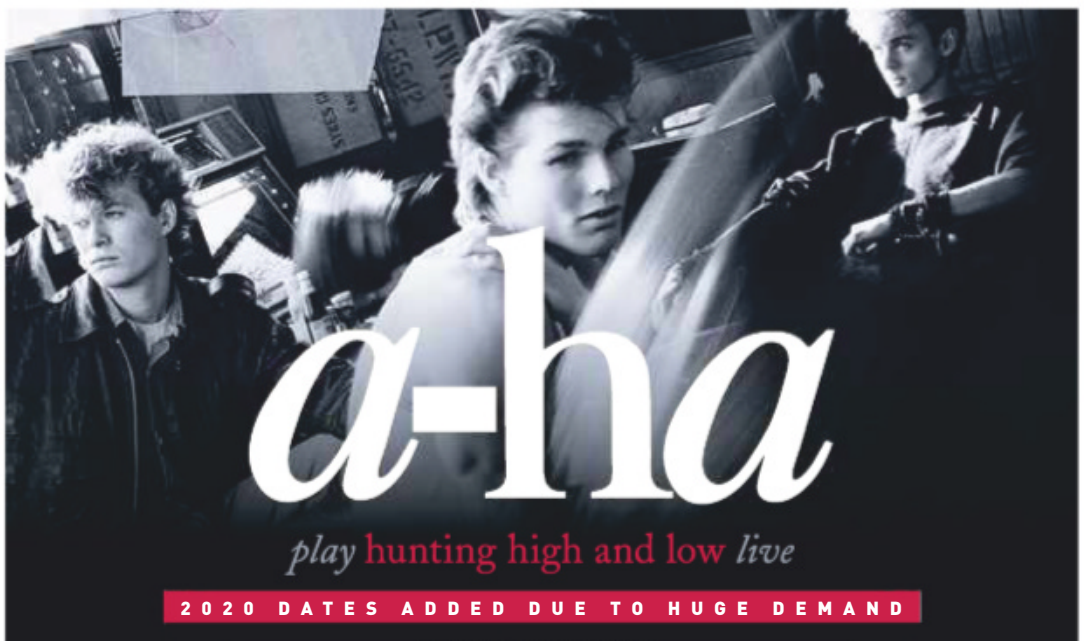

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FRI 09 BLACKPOOL OPERA HOUSE
SAT 10 LEICESTER DE MONTFORT HALL
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MON 12 LIVERPOOL PHILHARMONIC HALL
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WED 21 BATH FORUM
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SAT 14 EDINBURGH QUEENS HALL
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The Quiet House

Prepare to be scared by this festive ghost story, written exclusively for *RT* by *The Woman in Black* author **Susan Hill**



The winter sun was setting, but there was just enough light left for me to read the name on the gate. The Quiet House.

The agent had told me that nobody had lived here since the owner's death, but the family, not wanting to sell it, had done some refurbishing to make it, as he said, "Not luxurious but quite comfortable".

I hoped that it was also warm because, as I stood looking at it, the darkness closed in and it was clear there would be a hard frost. I got my bags out of the car and went inside.

My name is Jonathan Fenn and until recently I was a barrister in a London chambers but, after my beloved wife Mary died, I struggled for many months to make any sense of my work and of life in general and I had something of a breakdown. We had no children, which was only a sadness to my wife, for I have never much cared for them. Now, I longed for them, as adult men and women who were close to me. I felt desperately lonely.

It was the day before Christmas Eve. The previous year, I had been welcomed by kind friends to their family hearth and festivities, but I had felt out of place and sharing in the jollity was hard, so I decided early to come far away from London and spend this holiday alone. I was recovered in health and to some extent in spirits, but I still missed Mary more than I can say and would not have been merry company for anyone.

I had a car full of food, wine, books, stout walking boots and warm outer clothing and I planned to make the most of the country peace.

I opened the front door. A porch gave on to a wood-panelled hall, with a broad staircase ahead. I switched on the lights and went



round the house. The kitchen had a range that had been lit for my arrival, a larder containing fresh milk, bread, cold beef and a meat pie under cloths. There was also a small iced Christmas cake. On the mantel I found a card decorated with a jolly robin in snow, with a message: "Compliments of the season from G and J Murdoch. Old Harrow by Garnforth. Tel 2399 if required." I knew that the village where the housekeepers lived was some five miles distant, with only a farm, fields and woods between.

'I heard tiny, whispering voices. I sat up. Nothing'

Moments later, as I explored two large and rather bleak sitting rooms and one cosy snug in which a fire had been laid, I felt the energy drain out of me. I heated the pie, opened a bottle of red wine, and after enjoying substantial helpings of both, made myself comfortable in a deep armchair beside the hearth. At first, the wood crackled and blazed, but once it had settled, I felt the silence like a shroud around me. I was used to traffic, street sounds, voices, the movements of neighbours above. I had forced myself to become more sociable lately, going to my club, films, the theatre; I chaired the occasional parish committee. The country silence pressed in, I felt melancholy and fresh grief at the absence of Mary. Had I been out of my mind to come here, and at Christmas of all times? At least in London there might have been carol singers below my windows.

I went to bed at 9.30pm and lay reading, and to my surprise, I began to find the silence comforting, like a soft quilt wrapping me round. I had left the curtains half-open and when I switched off the lamp, I could see a night sky such as one only dreams of in the city, ink black and pricked all over with stars, the Milky Way a translucent drift.

I slept deeply but woke in the early hours, seeming to hear faint scratching sounds behind the wainscot. Mice. I smiled, for I quite like the small, furry beasties living their secret lives.

When I woke again, it was just light and this time it was voices I heard, tiny, whispering voices. I sat up quickly. Nothing.

I HAD TO GET out. The village must have an inn, a shop, anywhere in which I would find human activity, and I went out into the raw morning, noticing how overcast the sky was, with a strange yellow-grey cloud bank forming to the west. I walked from home in Hampstead down to the city several times a week, so I made short work of the tramp today, to find the village shop open. There was nothing I really needed, but I bought more bread, cheese and some home-made mince pies.

"You'll be at the Quiet House." It was not a question.

"Yes. I needed to get out of London. Who used to live there?"

She gave me a sharp look. "Old Grace Keeley."

"But it's a big house."

"It needed to be, once upon a time."

"When was that ? I like country stories."

"There were children."

I waited, as she rang up my purchases.

"My grandmother died at 102 years old. She remembered. There was a mortal illness all round the district, it took off the younger men and women, strong and hearty, not the old folk, as you'd expect. And not the children. There were so many left without parents. People did what they could, took some in, but the rest were homed together."

"An orphanage."

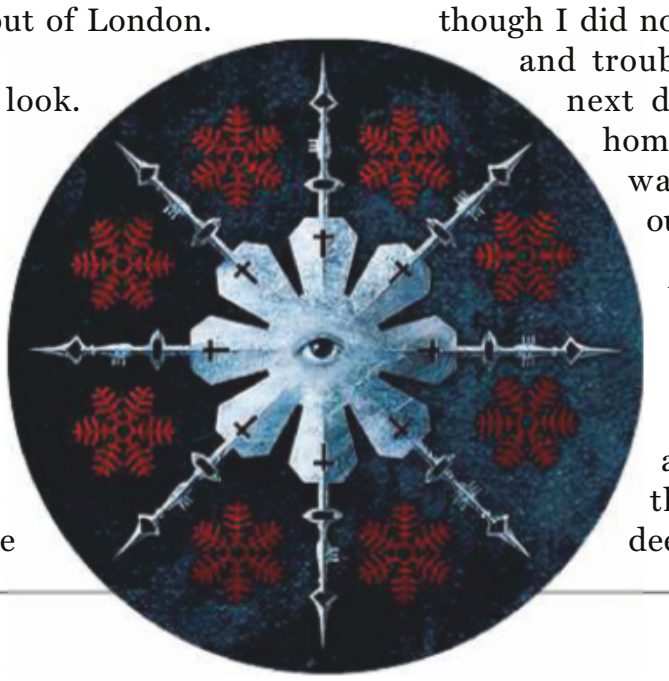
"Gran always said they were half-starved and cold, the Quiet House children. Well," she turned away. "A happy Christmas to you. Open again Thursday."

On my return, I went into the garden, but it was empty and dull, just a lawn and shrubs. I dozed before the fire and woke to an intense hush. Looking out, I saw that there was a covering of snow on the ground and the sky swirled with goose-down flakes. I was about to turn away when something caught my eye. Where there had been nothing on the lawn, now there was a group of eight children's chairs, together with a wooden schoolroom bench, facing one another in a half-circle. I had noted a lilac tree but not the swing hanging from it, a simple plank and two ropes. No one was out there, the fresh snow was unmarked, but the swing was moving gently to and fro, slowing, as if someone had jumped from it a minute before.

That was a strange Christmas Eve. I did not believe in the supernatural and racked my brain until I provided some explanations. I was lonely, disorientated, tired, my solitude was oppressive and my spirits low. I was awake yet still half-dreaming. I longed desperately for Mary's calm, smiling presence beside me, but at that moment I would have welcomed any human company in this silent, empty place.

BEFORE I SLEPT that night, I heard the church bells ring in Christmas, but when I woke, in a strange snow-light, I heard scratching sounds again, and then pattering footsteps, but this time those were on the stairs. I wondered if I had a fever, though I did not feel ill, just confused and troubled. I should get the next day over before going home, where at least there was life in the world outside my windows.

I felt better in the bright morning sunlight that gleamed and danced on the frozen snow, cooked myself a good breakfast and then decided to delve deeper into the house, ▷



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◁ most of whose rooms I had not even entered.

There were no cellars and, having found nothing of interest elsewhere, I made my way to the attic. It ran along the whole house and was disappointingly empty, though goodness knows what I expected to find anyway, when, as I was leaving, I noticed a low door at the end.

The small annexe was crammed with furniture – school desks, chairs, benches, small iron beds, piled on top of one another, old curtains, none of which could have been moved for decades; but then I noticed that some of the chair legs had clumps of wet grass sticking to them, and there was a notable absence of dust. I peered down into the snowy garden. It was completely empty and there was no swing on the lilac tree branch. I had to bend my head under a low beam, and I saw that it had lettering scratched on it.

Jonah. Sara. Sarah. Willm. John. Ellen. Mary. Thom. Silas. Lily. Beth. Dora. Arthur. Thirza. Dorcas. Richard... one or two names were too faded to read. Whose were they? When had they lived here?

I LAY AWAKE THAT night waiting for the sounds of scratching and pattering. I looked out to see if the swing was there again. Nothing. There was a silence so dense that I cried out loud, just to hear the sound of a voice. I was lonelier and more desolate than ever. I longed and then prayed for the

‘The fresh snow was unmarked, but the swing was moving’

presence of just one other human being in the emptiness of the house and of my own heart.

The clock chimed one, two. At three, the door creaked slightly, opened, though there was no draught. A tapping sounded from below, and on descending the stairs, I heard scratching then more tapping, and soft whispers like rustling leaves, becoming more insistent.

I flung open the front door. The sky was clear and frosty, the snow silver-white.

I saw nothing but I knew they were there, and when they slipped inside, I felt them brush close to me, as they went pattering across the hall. The door to the snug was ajar though I was certain I had closed it firmly when I went upstairs. I followed them into the room and saw that the fire had not quite died down, but still glowed red at its heart.

They were there, the children, murmuring, sighing softly, making the fire flare again, and gradually they fell still, and as I curled in the armchair, they settled round me, I sensed them, felt them. I was sure that they felt safe. I slept.

I knew that I could never leave here, I was trapped, because although I did not know or understand them, I needed these children, as they surely needed me. They had whispered and tapped and ghosted their way in, taken over my hearth as they would surely soon inhabit the rest of the house with me. I must make plans to look after them for the rest of my life, in that Quiet House, where for now at least, the fire blazed, the snow was thick outside, and it was still Christmas.



Susan Hill’s novel The Small Hand has been adapted for Channel 5 (see right). The Small Hand is published by Profile Books, available in paperback from bookshops, priced £8.99.



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SUSAN HILL’S GHOST STORY – THE SMALL HAND *Boxing Day* ***Channel 5*** Susan Hill’s bespoke festive tale for *RT* is mysteriously connected to her book *The Small Hand*, which has been adapted into a chilling drama starring Douglas Henshall (above). The *Shetland* star plays antiquarian book dealer Adam, who’s haunted by the ghost of a boy. As the visits by this sinister spectre intensify, Adam reveals a secret that has tormented him since childhood. Louise Lombard and Neve McIntosh co-star.

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‘Doctor Who is about inclusion’

Jodie Whittaker says the fact that she’s a woman is irrelevant – but where will her second series as the Time Lord take her?

INTERVIEW BY **MIRANDA SAWYER**

Doctor Who
New Year’s Day 6.55pm ***BBC1***

JODIE WHITTAKER HAS delightful upbeat energy, a run-away-with-itself positivity that bubbles out of her like she’s a living, shaken can of cola. She’s enthusiastic, funny and speaks 19 to the dozen. But can the first woman to take on the lead role in *Doctor Who* give me five words to describe her Doctor? No! Five is nowhere near enough.

“With the Doctor, the hardest thing for me to embrace was that potential for anything being possible,” she says, “because there aren’t constraints of time period or social etiquette. So, say, when I was playing Beth Latimer in *Broadchurch*, season one was grief, season two was rage and season three wasn’t about her but other people. If Beth suddenly did a stand-up gig, you’d go, ‘That’s a bit random, isn’t it?’ But the Doctor can curveball. And that’s difficult to keep up with and sometimes challenging. But the fact that I can play this part that lets me fidget, change my mind, contradict myself and get it wrong – that’s really exciting.”

She stops, pleased with herself. She’s spoken before about not always being comfortable with words and I wonder if she’s dyslexic, but she was tested at school and she’s not. She’s a visual person. “I just think I’m a massive film fan,” says the 37-year-old, born and raised in Huddersfield. “TV and film are my medium.”

She has a great imagination: when training for a marathon (she’s done two), running by a canal, she’d imagine a shark in the water, chasing her. Her fizziness is partly because her mind shoots all over the place. When it comes to acting, she says: “I don’t follow a particular method, I can’t be limited. If I’m only allowed to do one thing, I get stuck.” She walks around learning her lines, and can’t sit down to do it.

Which suits her character just fine. “There are things that happen in the new season that throw the Doctor in a way that there’s a slight freefall to it,” she explains, giving away very little. “And the freefall is at moments exhilarating and at moments terrifying.”

What we do know is that the Cybermen will definitely return, which is “brilliant, I think the fans will love it and it’s a box ticked for me”.

What about the Daleks? Will we see more of them? A junk-punk version graced the last New Year’s Day episode, and several, more traditional, Daleks were photographed hiding under Clifton Suspension Bridge earlier this year. Whittaker won’t elaborate. “I wasn’t there, was I?” she points out. “Were Bradley [Walsh], Mandip [Gill] or Tosin [Cole, her co-stars] there? No. It could’ve been a music video. Those Daleks could be in a band. They could be headlining Glastonbury!”



ASIDE FROM THE monsters, several guest stars are definitely appearing in the new series, including Lenny Henry and Stephen Fry. Whittaker has met Fry before – they were both in the 2007 *St Trinian’s* film – but she thought he wouldn’t remember (he did).

“I’m sure he’s been asked a million times, so I felt quite emotional that Stephen wanted to be in the show when I’m the Doctor. He’s the perfect incarnation of everything Whovian. A super intellect. He’s inclusive. He’s forward-thinking. He’s liberal and doesn’t shy away from what he feels is right. And he’s a pacifist.”

Does she think it’s important that *Doctor Who* is inclusive? The last series, as well as having a mixed set of companions in terms of gender, race and age, referenced Britain’s colonial past in the *Demons of the Punjab* episode, as well as devoting an episode to Rosa Parks. “*Doctor Who* is about inclusion,” says Whittaker firmly. “I’m not saying the show paved the way for anything. But the last series came out at a time when the conversation was shifting, and I feel that we’re now watching much more diverse shows, which are representative of the world we live in. There’s more on offer that looks like your social circle.”

She, of course, was deemed by some “to represent all women ever” when she was cast. “I can see it’s important to people,” she says now. “But do you interview as a woman? Of course not. You just interview. I don’t think about it going into life. I *am* it. Being a woman is who I am. And with this part, being a woman has less relevance than any other part I’ve played, except for that monumental historical moment of being the first woman Doctor.

“It fascinates me that my natural traits are deemed masculine and so they’re complimented. You know, ‘Well done, you’re not very girly.’ Yes, I am. It’s massive to have a first woman Doctor, but I won’t let it be used as an excluding technique.”

She’s been working on her second series most of this year; filming started on 18 January, just 17 days after her last New Year’s Day episode aired. Essentially, she filmed for nine and a half months, did press for a few months, then started filming again. It’s fair to say that in the past two years, her life has changed. “It’s





‘I’m a stealth warrior on the bus and the Tube – no one bats an eyelid’

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been non-stop. Non-stop.” It’s not changed in the way she most feared, though.

“I half expected my life to be like that Rhys Ifans scene in *Notting Hill*, him opening the door to all the press cameras. I was terrified. When it had just been announced that I was the Doctor, it was like, ‘Let’s get a photo of her walking down the street looking like a scruff.’ But it goes back to normal. Also, I’m a stealth warrior on the bus and the Tube. No one bats an eyelid. Because I look like I’ve come out of the sixth form. Baseball cap, earphones, head down, and no one’s looking at me because I’ve got no presence in real life.” Which isn’t true at all, of course.

WHILE FILMING, SHE gets up at 6.10am, 20 minutes before a car takes her to the set. On arrival, she “walks straight into make-up, and I have brown toast with butter and honey, every morning, from the canteen, and a single shot latte with oat milk, hazelnut milk or coconut milk”. She taps her flask-style reusable cup, balanced on a wobbly table. She’s constantly losing the cup, she admits.

On set, she keeps her trailer door open, and she, Gill and Cole have lunch there every day: “Brad always has to work because he has about 15 million other jobs.” For the first series, she, her partner and their young child all moved to Cardiff, so she’d have them to return to in the evening; the second series, she says, “needed more logistics”, because sometimes they were all there, and sometimes it was just her.

How will she spend Christmas? Last year, she and her American husband were in Arizona; this year the family will be in the UK, moving between Huddersfield and London. They get up early on Christmas Day, and there’s a lot of cooking, mostly by her husband. No turkey this year, “but it all revolves around food”. She’s good at Christmas, she says. “I’m a massive fan of a brussels sprout.”


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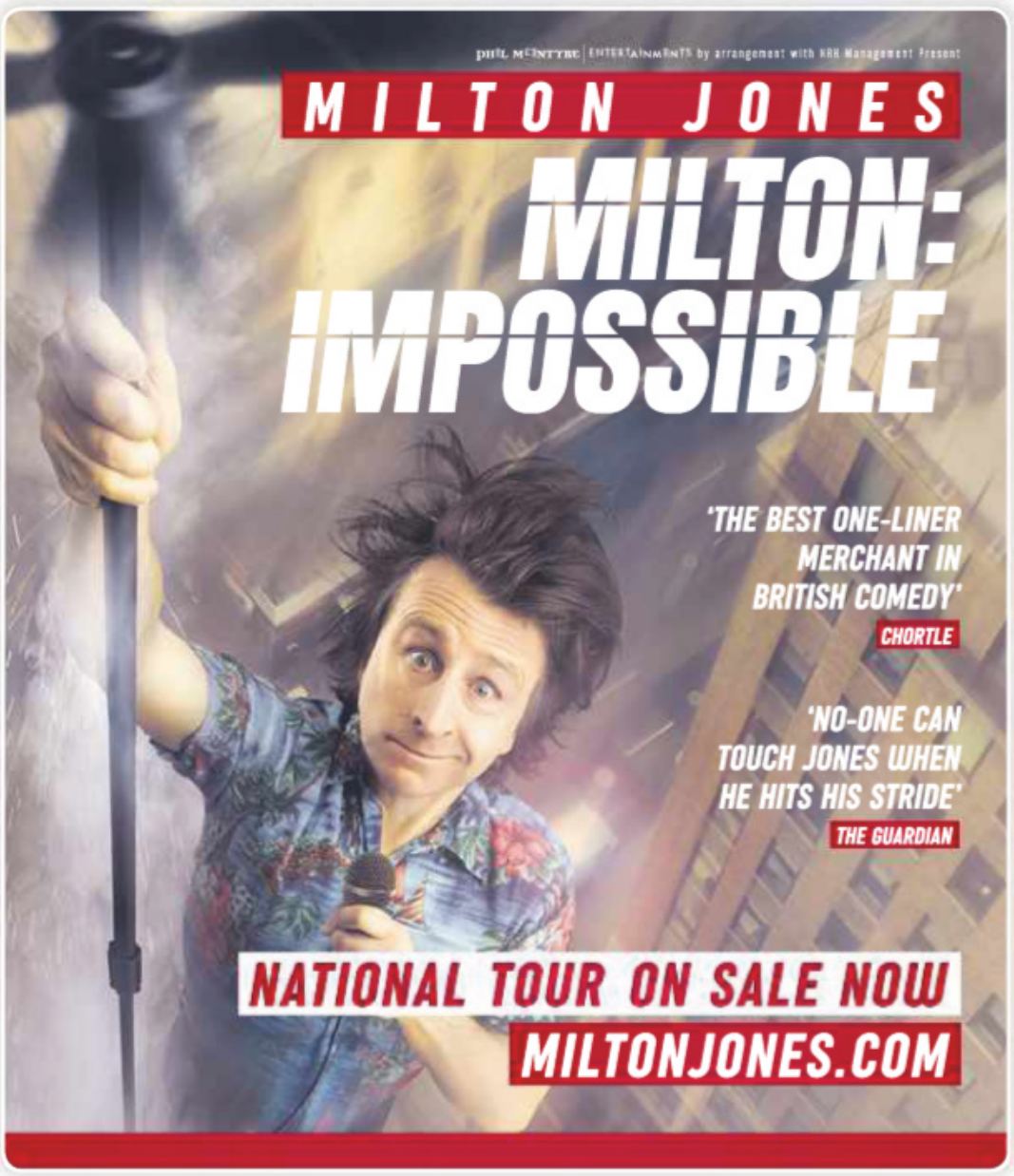
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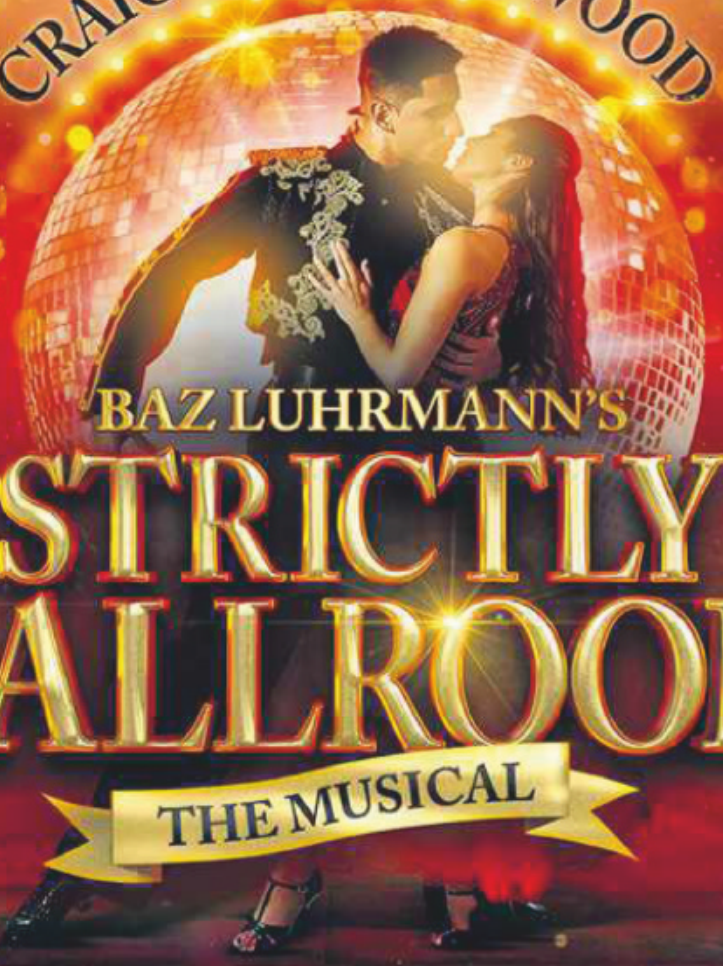

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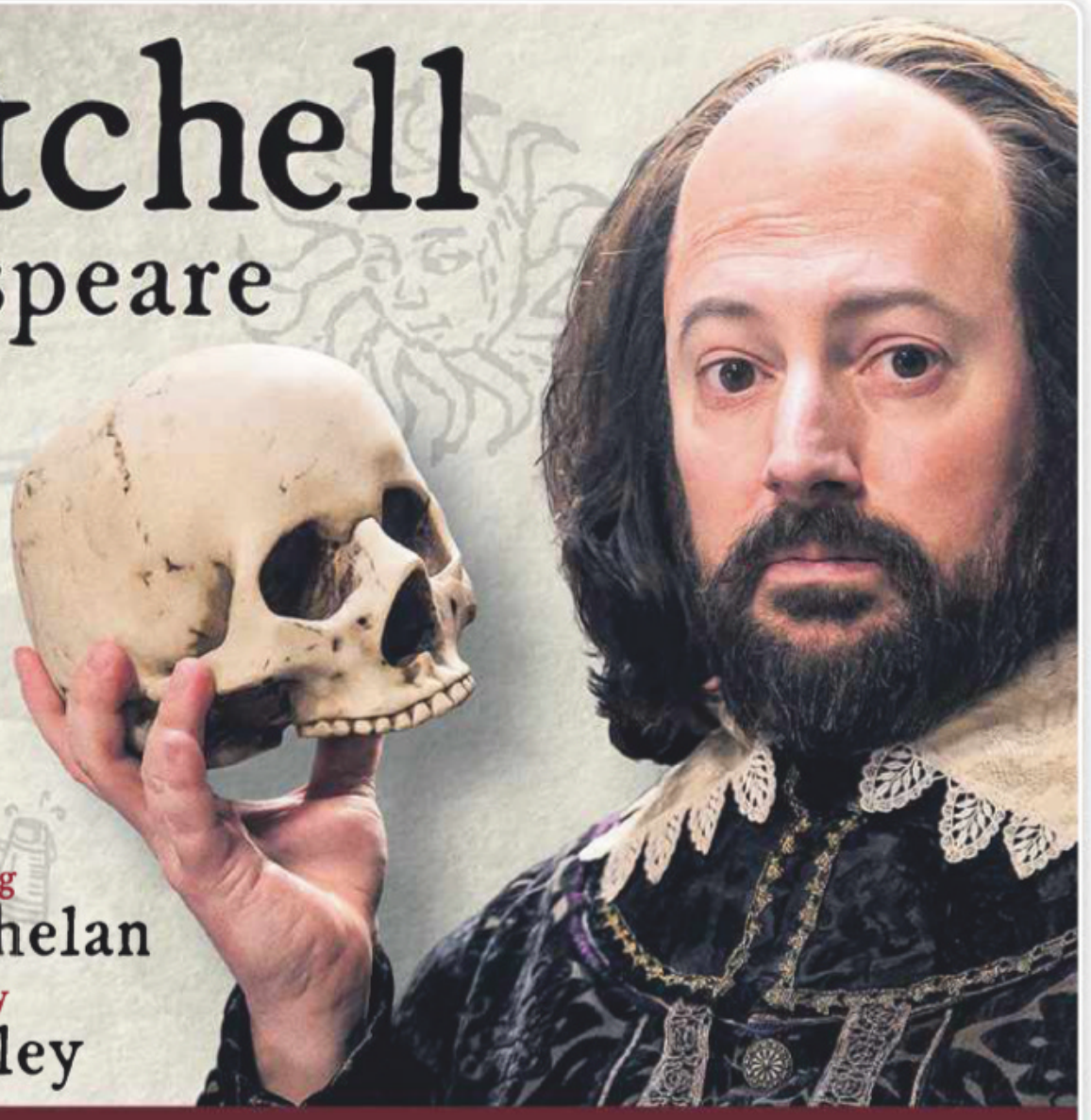

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Memories of Dad

Romesh Ranganathan recalls his best present ever – and a Christmas he'd rather forget

I am Hindu, but I've always loved Christmas. There was a big Sri Lankan community in Crawley, where I grew up, and we'd take it in turns to have people round for a huge Christmas Eve party. Mum and Dad would let us open our presents when we got back, because it was after midnight. It seemed a great idea at the time. Then you'd wake up later on Christmas Day with nothing to look forward to. There's a lot to be said for delayed gratification!

My mum would always make a brilliant Christmas lunch, with a Sri Lankan twist – spicy turkey, or brussels sprouts with chilli powder. I went veggie at 12, and she didn't want me to miss out, so she did every vegetable curry you can think of and I just ate like a king.

The best present I ever got is also the first present I remember. I might have added rose-tinted glasses to it, because my dad's passed away now. It was an electric motorbike that you could ride indoors. It went pretty slowly, but it was unbelievable. I was five or six. It was amazing because not only was it a great present, but it also had to be constructed, and my dad was terrible at putting anything together. But he managed to assemble this bike, which made it extra special.

Dad was a party animal. For the two weeks around Christmas he was constantly smashed. He was a proper hardcore drinker. He would go to these Sri Lankan dos, and they all love whisky, so they'd hammer their way through the whisky, then start drumming on upside-down bins and singing old Sri Lankan songs really terribly.

Our Christmasses changed when Dad, who had been an accountant, bought a pub. He'd open up early on, then close up and we'd go in and have our Christmas lunch there. Mum and Dad were friendly with this Muslim couple and we'd invite them round to join us at the pub, and my dad asked the chef to do a halal turkey. Unfortunately, the chef didn't understand halal, so the turkey arrived and he pulled the foil back and it was covered in more bacon than I've ever seen in my life!

But then, when I was about 12, Dad went to prison for two years for fraud. We just adapted to our circumstances. Mum, my brother and I moved into a council house in Crawley; before that we'd been in a nice semi-detached house. We didn't want for anything, it wasn't like we were Tiny Tim. We still got presents, but Mum just didn't have any money.

I firmly believe that if we hadn't gone through that experience, I wouldn't be a comedian. My parents sent me to private school and wanted me to be an accountant or doctor, but when Dad went to prison I had to transfer to the local comprehensive, and I loved it.

Dad died in December 2011, so I associate Christmas a bit with that. I was about to leave teaching to do stand-up, and Dad was really excited about that. Then, three days before I stopped teaching, I was at a gig in Brighton, and my brother phoned me and told me that Dad had collapsed on the sofa. As soon as I heard that I thought he was dead. A mate of mine gave me a lift back, and sure enough he'd passed away. That Christmas was horrendous.

My wife Leesa and I have got three kids who lose their mind over Christmas, so we've gradually gone back to having a brilliant time. And it's nice to think we're not in the position that my mum and dad were when things went tits up. It's so lovely when your kids ask for something and you're able to give it to them.

Having said that, kids can have too much. One year recently I watched our kids open up their presents and then put them to the side almost immediately to move on to the next. I said to Leesa, "This is disgusting, we've got to do something about it," so we made a conscious effort to buy them less during the year. And now we do this thing where we stagger their presents, so it now takes them about two weeks to open them all… AS TOLD TO

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What childhood present stands out?

PADDY McGUINNESS I remember the year midi hi-fis came out. We never had any money – Mum was a cleaner in a bingo hall – so I didn't rate my chances, but she wrapped something and put it under the tree saying, "You know what this is, don't you?" Every day I'd look at it and was so excited.

On Christmas Day I was straight in there: I ripped the paper off and it was… a Clairol foot spa. Seven years earlier I'd come in from playing in the snow, my feet were freezing and there was an advert on telly for Clairol foot spas and I'd said, "I bet they would keep your feet warm." Seven years later, she'd gone, "I know what I'll buy…" But it's still a nice memory.

FREDDIE FLINTOFF One year my dad had been on strike for months and money was tight, so me and my brother didn't expect much. And then we went in the front room and there was an Omega computer. We were so happy, but to this day I still don't understand how they bought it.

CHRIS HARRIS It was 1984: my dad had put a box under the tree and I opened it and there was nothing in it. Then he said, "Go and have a look out the back door," and he'd bought me a BMX Super Tuff Burner, and I just couldn't believe it. I sat outside looking at it for about five hours.

Anything you coveted that you didn't get?

PADDY A midi hi-fi…

FREDDIE I'm easy to please, so no.

CHRIS Height.

Are you a Christmas bystander or in the thick of the action?

PADDY I do all the cooking, so I'm in the kitchen. The only thing I don't do is make my own gravy.

FREDDIE I make the turkey and I've conned the people who come to our house into thinking that cooking it upside down is some sort of dark magic.

CHRIS I try and hide from other people and the best way to do that is to get in the kitchen. Then wait for a re-run of *Only Fools and Horses*…

Do you play board games?

PADDY I like a bit of Monopoly. Three years ago I bought a Bolton version. Love it.

FREDDIE Chess is my game. I played for Lancashire when I was 11 and I could have played for England. But I can't get my head round Cluedo.

CHRIS The original Game of Life is a great, and Trivial Pursuit – the old version.

You filmed in Nepal for the Christmas special. What home comfort did you miss?

PADDY Kitchen roll. I can't get enough of it.

FREDDIE I don't have one!

CHRIS Easy: a good feather pillow.

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The leads in the new *Star Wars* film share their plans for a cosy Christmas back on Earth

Daisy Ridley

How will you spend Christmas? We're hoping that my elder sister can come back from Australia and we'll all be at home. Last year it was just me, my mum and dad and my other sister, so we went to a hotel for lunch, which was quite joyous, weirdly.

Any special Ridley family Christmas traditions? We always do stockings, and we open our presents in the afternoon. I'm buying us matching pyjamas!

Do you go to church on Christmas Day? I love Christmas carols, and often think I should go to midnight Mass, but I'm usually too snuggly.

What's your favourite Christmas film? *Love, Actually*. I've always loved Emma Thompson. She's the standard I'd wish to be at.

Were you ever in the school Nativity play? Yes, I played one of the shepherds – I was in a big primary school so there were about 100 of us.

What's the best part of Christmas lunch? I've figured out how to make really good gravy, so roast potatoes drowning in gravy, with a lot of salt.

What's the secret to your gravy? I have found out that Bisto is vegan [Daisy is vegan], so a little spoonful adds thickness, then fry up those onions and garlic. A bit of soy sauce and Marmite in the stock for richness. Lovely.

What's the best gift you've ever received? I'd just been cast as Rey, and the director JJ Abrams gave me a card that said, "It's about to get really fun, so wear a helmet." And then he wheeled in this awesome *Star Wars* bike with a cartoon Daisy on it.

What would you like from Santa? My mum's been crocheting me a blanket for – no joke – nine years. I'll put money on it not being ready for Christmas Day.

What would you give John Boyega for Christmas? He's hard to buy for. He loves *Spider-Man* so I once asked the film's producer, Amy Pascal, for a prop to give him. They gave me the venom Spider-Man uses and I got it put in perspex with a light underneath. It was really cold, so it cracked, but it ended up looking really cool. John lost his mind.

What's your wish for 2020? For it to be joyful and busy. It feels like it's time for all the bad stuff to go away. **LAURA CRAIK**

John Boyega

How do you usually spend Christmas? I fly my whole family to Nigeria. We go to our house there to throw parties and meet up with friends. A lot of us from Nigeria, Ghana and the African diaspora travel home a lot, so we have lots of friends over there. I was just out there and Naomi Campbell and [rapper] Skepta were there. It's a good vibe.

Do you go to church on Christmas Day? I come from a family that has strong faith – my father is a preacher. Faith is still a strong part of me, but I don't go to church on Christmas Day – I'm too hungry for that!

Most extravagant gift you've given? I bought a house for my mum and dad and a house for my sister. I didn't want them seeing me on TV from the same sofa in our flat.

What would you like from Santa this year? I would like more wisdom. For a guy who likes material things, I'm cool if you could give me some mental strength. That would help me a lot.

What would you give Daisy Ridley for Christmas? I'd get her some baking-related products and maybe an X-rated saucy apron.

Were you in the school Nativity play? Never. I was once cast as Joseph in *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, but my dad took us to Nigeria, so I never got to play him. That was tough.

What was your favourite New Year's Eve? Last year I spontaneously met a whole bunch of friends and we just chilled and played dominoes.

What is your wish for 2020? Lots of days of rest and safety for friends and family.

SARFRAZ MANZOOR

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'I'd buy Daisy a saucy apron for Christmas!'



SPACE WARRIORS Daisy Ridley and John Boyega, and (inset pictures) as their characters Rey and Finn in *Star Wars Episode IX: the Rise of Skywalker*

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INTERVIEW BY **GINNY DOUGARY**

Dracula *New Year's Day, Thursday 2 January, Friday 3 January 9.00pm* ***BBC1***

SOFIE GRABOL, IT could be said, was the person who kick-started Britain's love affair with all things Danish, with her character – Detective Chief Inspector Sarah Lund, and her trademark jumper – in *The Killing,* which was first shown in the UK in 2011. There were three critically acclaimed series, and the drama sold all over the world, but was particularly embraced by the British.

Two years after it ended in 2012, Grabol, 51, made her English-language debut on stage for the National Theatre, as Margaret of Denmark in *The James Plays*. She was also the mayor in *Fortitude*, set in the Arctic, alongside Michael Gambon, Dennis Quaid and Stanley Tucci. Next year, she plays a Danish dentist (more enchanting than it sounds) in the BBC adaptation of David Nicholls's *Us*.

Claes Bang became an international film star at the age of 50, when 2017's *The Square* – in which he played the curator of a museum in Stockholm – won the Palme d'Or at Cannes. In the fifth and final season of US series *The Affair,* he plays the actor Sasha Mann, love interest to Helen (Maura Tierney). He was also in *The Girl in the Spider's Web*, alongside Claire Foy.

But you are about to remake his acquaintance on New Year's Day, when he stars in the three-part Steven Moffat and Mark Gatiss adaptation of *Dracula*. Next year, Bang is in several films, including *The Bay of Silence*, alongside Brian Cox and Olga Kurylenko, *The Burnt Orange Heresy* with Donald Sutherland, Mick Jagger and Elizabeth Debicki, and *Lyrebird* with Guy Pearce.

Both Grabol and Bang have lived in London for work (both chose Notting Hill because it looked nice in the Richard Curtis film), but these days Denmark is home. Grabol has two teenage children; Bang has two adult stepchildren with his wife Liz (a friend of Grabol's) and is about to become a step-grandfather for the second time. Unusually for Danish actors, they have never worked together, but to celebrate their British success, *Radio Times* brought Bang and Grabol together in Copenhagen, for a coffee and a chat about *Dracula*, drama and all things Danish.

SOFIE GRABOL Before we begin, I need to give you the opposite of advice: I "disadvise" you... No, I *warn* you about swearing, Claes. It's complicated because obviously all Danes swear – it's not a sin – but they have different rules for it in the UK. Nobody told me that you can't swear until after 9pm on TV in Britain – did you know this?

CLAES BANG No, but I'm never going to listen – I'm going to swear as much as I want. If I ever do press, I tell them, "I swear a lot and I'm not going to change it. So if you don't want it, just don't talk to me." That's just me. They say f*** all the time in Britain! And then I go on a panel and say it three times and Steven Moffat [co-writer of *Dracula*] gives me a look. I had a feeling I said it once or twice too many times...

SOFIE That is one of the advantages of being the visitor, the tourist, which we are – you get so much freedom, because everyone goes, "Oh, it's the Danish way, how charming." I always felt really embraced in the ▷



COFFEE AND DANISH Claes Bang – who stars in *Dracula* – and Sofie Grabol, best known as Sarah Lund in *The Killing*

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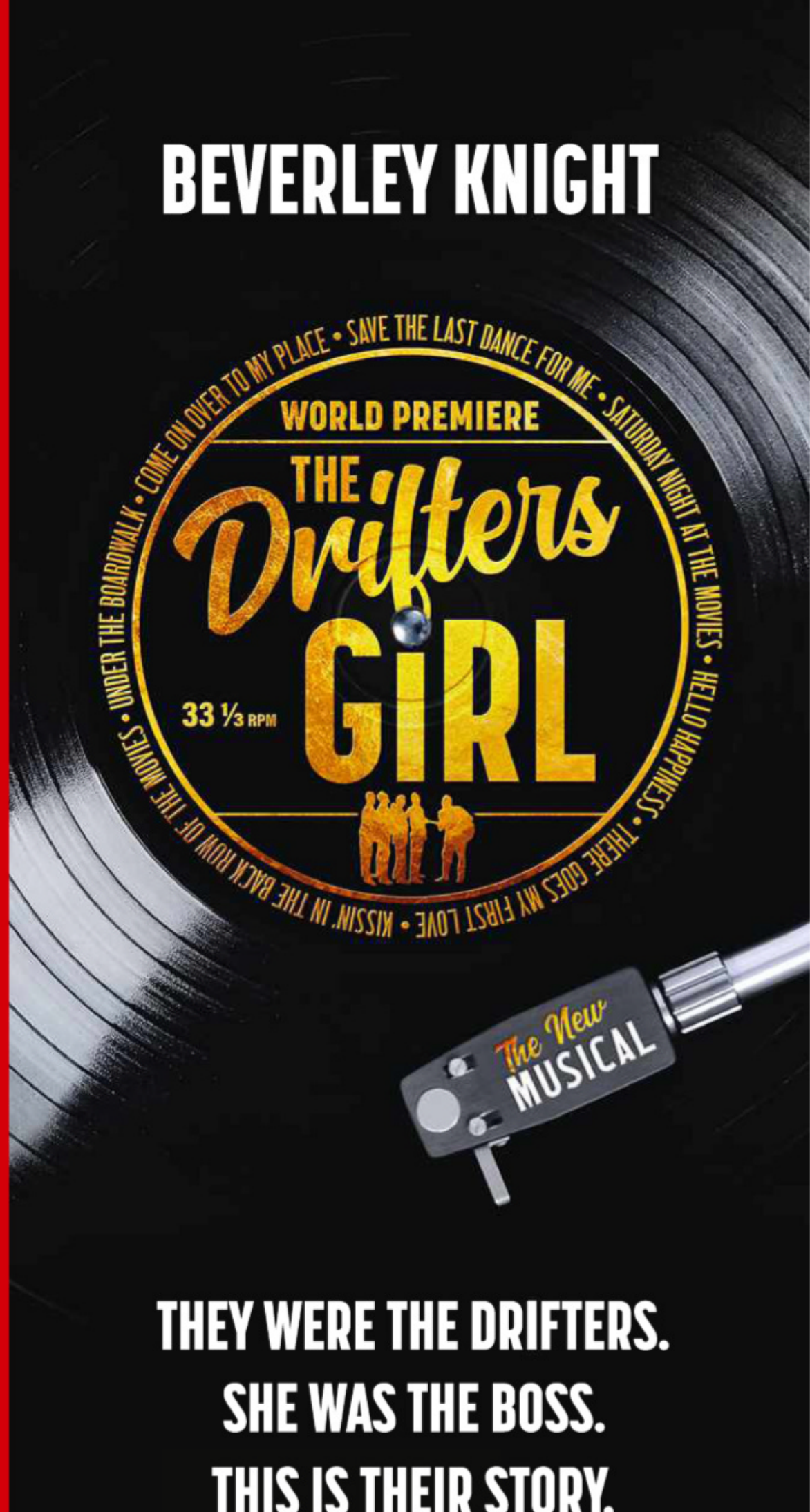

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◁ UK. All the traits that you would maybe be embarrassed about in Denmark – like our rudeness... What British people tell me is, "You're very direct". When I've been in the UK and I come back to Denmark, I miss the politeness.

CLAES Yes, me too. I feel really, really welcome in London. They have a much longer tradition of welcoming strangers into the country than we do because they've had these colonies. It's so diverse. For me, Britain is the football, the music, the Queen, the pubs...

SOFIE The love of tradition is also something very British. In Denmark, we're a bit embarrassed of taking pride in our traditions.

CLAES People are wary of looking too conservative.

SOFIE Yes, I love the way Britain celebrates this – they've got shows and plays that have been on for decades. *Doctor Who*...

CLAES *Ab Fab*! I want Joanna Lumley and Jennifer Saunders to invite me on. I'll come as Dracula – I'll come any way they want. I'll come naked if they want me to!

SOFIE *Ab Fab* was a huge institution in Denmark. My appearance on it [Grabol had a cameo in the 2011 Christmas episode] was surreal, because it was the very first thing I did in the UK. I remember just staring at Joanna and Jennifer. I've had so many moments in the UK where I've had to pinch myself and that was the very first one. I have been so lovingly received. Also, going to the UK to work came right after a whole year of cancer treatment, so to me it was almost like a rebirth – which sounds cheesy, but...

British drama is a piece of cake

SOFIE As an actor, and maybe as a Dane, we have always admired that understated British way of acting, like Olivia Colman in *The Crown* – I've fallen in love with her. That drama is like a beautiful cake, you almost don't dare to eat it because it's so beautiful. It's the British way of telling stories, trusting the audience to be smart. You don't have to spell everything out.

CLAES They allow room for the viewer's fantasy. Colman in *The Crown* is a good example – that stiff upper lip thing. You can read so much into it.

SOFIE I think that's one of the reasons why the Brits liked *The Killing* so much – the understated language of it. It was a success in many other countries, but nowhere like in the UK. And in the new drama I'm in on the BBC next year, *Us*, with Tom Hollander, you have these long, really great dialogues, which is rare on TV. It's not plot-based, it's all about character – like a British Woody Allen.

CLAES The thing that convinced me to do *Dracula* right away was the brilliant writing. I didn't know anything about Mark Gatiss and Steven Moffat until somebody told me they wrote *Sherlock* and then obviously I thought, "Oh my Lord," but I was very sceptical when my agent said to me that they wanted to do *Dracula*, because there are so many amazing Draculas out there – does the world need one more? But what they have done with this Dracula is something new.

SOFIE Were you nervous because the role is so iconic and everyone has an image of what he should be – or was it thrilling?

CLAES It's two different things – because it's obviously thrilling. But before we started shooting, I was terrified, because it *is* very iconic. He's got his own emoji! I remember the first read-through we did and there were at least 100 people there. And I'm thinking, "I don't know what's going on and I might get sacked if I don't do this right." I was scared out of my wits. It went quite well and people were laughing, but I was like, "I don't dare take my eyes off the page..."

SOFIE I had the same experience on *Fortitude* – I felt like it was a meeting at the UN. There were so many people there – Michael Gambon, Stanley Tucci – I thought I was going to die! It's not the same here in Denmark because it's a small country and it's more familiar – it's like a family dinner, with often the same faces.

CLAES It is cut-throat in Britain. It's just a feeling when you're there that...

SOFIE You can be replaced.

CLAES Yes – just like *this* [snaps fingers].

SOFIE I was surprised, when I started working in London, to sense that, especially in the theatre, the competition to get a role – some actors were working for free! And then they have a job somewhere else where they make their money. You don't find that in Denmark.

> **'I want to be invited on to *Ab Fab* – I'll come as Dracula'**
> CLAES BANG

Danish craftmanship

CLAES There's no one route into acting in Denmark, there are a whole lot of brilliant ways – like you, who never went through that drama school system.

SOFIE There isn't one way. But we have three drama schools that are state-run.

CLAES All education in Denmark is free.

SOFIE You get paid, also, to get educated.

CLAES Because they want you to concentrate on your education, instead of working to get through it.

SOFIE In Denmark, obviously some come from more privileged backgrounds and some don't...

CLAES But it is a more flat [social] structure.

SOFIE And we are now starting to have some really good, constructive focus on certain groups in society not being represented and how they should be more represented.

CLAES You are much more diverse in the UK.

Coming together for Christmas

SOFIE In Denmark we dance around the tree in the middle of our living rooms.

CLAES In the UK, you have your Christmas tree in the corner, so you can't dance around it. So here's some advice to you Brits – put your tree in the middle of your room, and then you can hold each other's hands and sing.

BOTH [Singing] *Nu er det jul igen...*

SOFIE The whole nation sings a song at new year, too. Everyone turns on their telly at midnight and watches our equivalent of Big Ben, the clock on Copenhagen Town Hall.

CLAES And at the last strike of the clock...

SOFIE We kiss everyone in the room!

BOTH [Singing] *Vær velkommen, Herrens ar...*

SOFIE Be welcome, the Lord's new year!



GOING INTERNATIONAL Bang with Maura Tierney in US drama *The Affair*; and Grabol (right) in Norway-set *Fortitude*

In search of Christine



THE PROTAGONISTS
Sophie Cookson plays Christine Keeler, with Ben Miles as John Profumo and James Norton as Stephen Ward

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The Trial of Christine Keeler

Sun 29 Dec, Mon 30 Dec 9.00pm ***BBC1***

WHAT DID IT feel like to be Christine Keeler? We know what it *looked* like. The famous photograph of Christine straddling a chair, taken at the height of the so-called Profumo affair, is a perfect emblem of the Sixties, just as they started to swing as alluringly as her raven wing of hair. For those few months in 1963, she was the most famous woman in the world. But behind her mask of youthful beauty another woman lived, one who was manipulated, vilified and misunderstood. What did that feel like? I started writing *The Trial of Christine Keeler* in search of an answer to that question.

Sex, race, politics, Russian espionage, fake news, privilege, the abuse of power… the ingredients of the Profumo scandal feel intoxicatingly contemporary. But the beginning of the 1960s was a different time. Starting during the Cuban Missile Crisis in 1962, the drama covers the turbulent period in which the scandal broke. Usually described as "dancers", "models" or "aspiring actresses" – never without speech marks – Christine Keeler and her charmingly gobby friend Mandy Rice-Davies appeared as witnesses in a string of court cases that ignited press interest in Christine's brief affair with the then-Secretary of State for War, John Profumo.

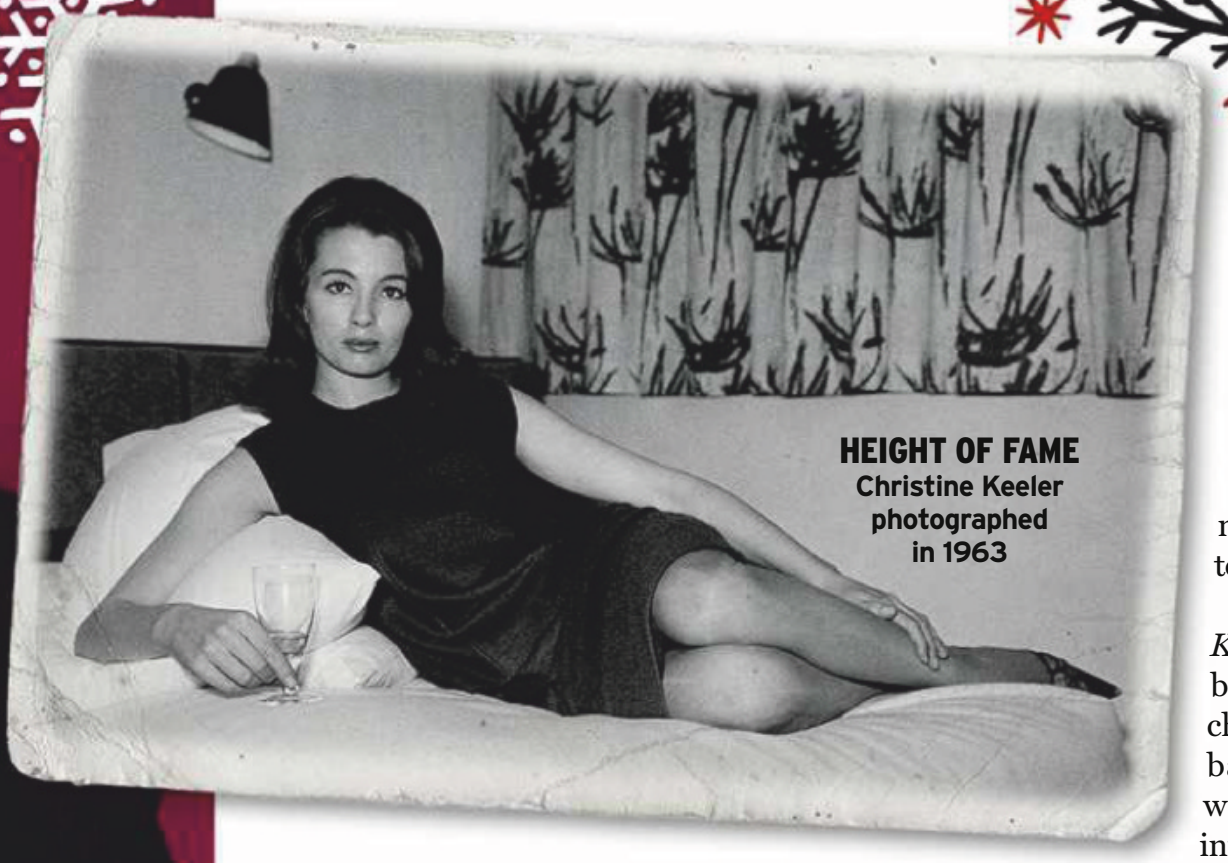
Unable to name him for fear of libel action, the newspapers published heated accounts of the young women's love lives that, sensationally for that era, included Keeler's black boyfriends Johnny Edgecombe and Lucky Gordon. When another of Christine's lovers was revealed to be Russian naval attaché Eugene Ivanov – widely assumed to be a spy – national security seemed to be at stake, and the scandal exploded.

As Christine fled the country, Profumo denied an affair in Parliament. By the time he was forced to resign in the summer of 1963, Christine was being pressured to testify at the trial of Stephen Ward, the bohemian Svengali who had introduced her to Profumo, and who now stood accused of being her pimp. By the end of the year, Ward was dead by his own hand and Christine was in prison.

Each time Christine and Mandy faced a scrum of photographers outside the Old Bailey, their glamour was dazzling (particularly in an era before the democracy of hair conditioner and fluoride toothpaste). In court, Mandy delivered the soundbite that flavoured events every bit as spicily as the picture of her friend straddling the



More than 50 years after the Profumo affair, **Amanda Coe** reveals why she put Christine Keeler back at the heart of her own story



HEIGHT OF FAME Christine Keeler photographed in 1963

chair. Her response on the witness stand to hearing Lord Astor had denied sleeping with her – "He would, wouldn't he?" – still stands as the most magnificent example of speaking truth to power. How perfect if Christine had been the one to nail the self-preserving lies of the privileged.

But in a way that resonates with more recent scandals of the #MeToo era, no one expected Christine Keeler to speak. Not John Profumo, who assumed she could be paid off, or threatened with legal action to keep quiet about their liaison. Not the tabloid newspapers, who put words in her mouth for money. Not Stephen

'The fact Christine was only 19 is seldom mentioned'

Ward, who urged Christine to protect his friends in high places, even as those friends abandoned him. Not the police, who interviewed Christine more than 20 times before Ward's trial, while pressuring her into becoming a prosecution witness against him. And not Lucky Gordon, the jazz-singer ex-boyfriend whose violent pursuit of Christine lit the touch-paper on the whole "affair".

To me, this treatment clearly fuelled the scandal. The other players – mainly powerful men in a world run by, and for, powerful men – seemed unaware that the more Christine was forced to fight for a place in her own story, the more dangerous she would become. And yet she was apparently to blame for all of it: the resignation and disgrace of Profumo, a security crisis, the collapse of Harold Macmillan's government and Ward's death.

As I read and researched, I felt increasingly indignant for the way Christine had been treated as the story broke, and then by history: at best as a dumb, mini-skirted siren, unworthy of compassion or interest; at worst as a bitch, witch or whore. The abuse directed at her at the time recalls the worst of internet trolling today. That she was only 19 years old is a fact seldom mentioned in the rush to judge or leer.

The Trial of Christine Keeler attempts to capture both the glamour and the chaos of their world, spinning back to touch on the affair with Profumo, Christine's introduction to Ward, and her difficult earlier life. It ends with her release from Holloway in 1964, after which she faced a life of notoriety. Ironically, if Christine had hit the public eye at that point, her free spirit might have soared.

After the Profumo affair, the Swinging Sixties got properly under way. Working-class voices became hot, sexual freedom was celebrated and deference to the establishment appeared to have gone the way of Etonian prime ministers. This new way of living was forged in part by Christine's painful presence under the spotlight, but for her, it was too late. Until the end of her life, Christine's careful public tones suggested she had learnt at a very deep level that it was unacceptable to be herself. Google the interview from the *Wogan* show that she did to help publicise the 1989 film *Scandal*. Stand-in host Sue Lawley gives Christine a drubbing that still shocks. Christine is all poised, ladylike dignity, but not, you can't help feeling, her real self.

A different woman comes through in the transcript of an interview she did in 1963 that was used as evidence in the perjury trial that sent her to prison. By her own admission, she was worse for wear during recording. The interview was for an autobiography that was never written, although many later autobiographies were to follow. The voice that comes off the page is unfiltered, working class, teenage – a chaotic mixture of naivety and smarts. A real person, flawed and complex and joyful. It's this character I've tried to capture. Most poignantly and emblematically, Christine says this: "I'm photogenic. I look much better in pictures than what I look like in real life."

Christine Keeler lived most of her life after the events of 1963, but was for ever defined by them. She claimed she kept her knickers on for that famous photoshoot behind the chair. But she looked naked, so that's what everyone believes. You can read the transcript of her interview in the National Archive, although a lot of it is still redacted, until 2046. It would be, wouldn't it?

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A vicar's Christmas

Richard Coles on losing his voice – and saving a premature baby

IN MY LAST parish, in central London, we hosted more than 30 carol services in November and December, for everyone from Great Ormond Street Hospital to Goats for Sudan. After *Hark the Herald*, we would take up our positions in the porch to wish departing worshippers a happy Christmas. Ten thousand handshakes followed, or to put it another way, ten thousand opportunities for viruses to pass from them to me. We kept little bottles of hand sanitiser for prophylactic wiping, but, invariably, we were voiceless by Midnight Mass, and wiped out before the Queen's Speech. In spite of this, I still love Christmas, mostly.

My partner David maintains the Christmas spirit for me when pressures of work and viral load might otherwise dull it. Christmas was cancelled when he was growing up in a religious denomination that didn't observe it, and I sometimes think that he's making up for lost time. One year he produced a Christmas tree about two feet too tall for the room, but rather than change it for something less extravagant, he just bent the top into an evergreen hook and hung the star from that.

It's he who fills the dogs' stockings, while I take them out so as not to "spoil the surprise";

'She reached into the incubator, hoping to transmit life'

he who spent Christmas afternoon teaching himself to use the chainsaw I bought him (at his request) until a neighbour rushed round with a chainmail pinny and urgent Health and Safety advice. His undimmed love of the season sustains mine, and that is not only a joy, but poignant, too, because it gives me access to my own childhood, half a century ago.

There's something about the distance travelled between then and now that makes the story of Joseph and Mary resonate. They wander the cold dark night looking for somewhere to stay. What they find is nothing much; a stable, a scattering of hay, and they settle among the beasts; only not for long because Mary gives birth to a boy, swaddles him and places him in a manger. A little patch of light glows in the darkness.

I think of Christmasses past, when I was a little boy, so desperate for the day to come that I held up my Advent calendar to my bedside light to try to see what lay behind each window before the appointed time. Finally, the big double window for Christmas Eve opened to reveal Mary and Joseph looking into the manger at their newborn son. The picture seemed to glow all by itself.

WHEN I WAS a child, I thought like a child; when I became a man, I put away childish things. One of my most memorable experiences of Christmas happened a few years ago. A baby boy was born, but before his time, only just viable, his survival touch and go. I was called in the middle of the night by his desperate mother, and rushed to neonatal intensive care to baptise him. I'd never seen a baby so small, so vulnerable, lying in an incubator connected to what looked like a grossly outsized breathing tube, and I had to improvise with a water dropper and a cotton bud.

Then his mother, unable to hold him, rolled up her sleeve, reached into the incubator, and very gently placed her bare wrist against his feet, hoping that the pulse in her veins would transmit life to her son.

It did. The baby is now a healthy boy, and they come to my Christingle service (a sort of pre-watershed Midnight Mass), when the children of the parish make a ring of light with candles standing round the crib in the dark church – that little patch of light.

Perhaps Christmas is a half-forgotten memory for you; perhaps you're sick of jingle bells and the John Lewis advert; perhaps your life is dark.

The patch of light awaits. May you find your way there this Christmas, and may you know peace and joy.

WALKIES!
The Rev Coles takes the dogs for a walk while his partner David fills their Christmas stockings

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MAKES 8 • PREP 5 mins plus cooling • COOK 4 mins

Heat oven to 200°C/180°C fan/gas 6. Cook all **8 Aunt Bessie's Golden Yorkshires** for 4 mins. In a bowl, mix together **150g crème fraîche**, a handful of **finely chopped dill**, **1 tbsp capers** and the **zest and juice of ½ a lemon**. Once cooked, remove the Yorkshires from the oven and allow to cool. Once cool, add a **dollop of crème fraîche** mixture to each, and top with a **small curl of smoked salmon**, **a sprig of dill** and a **little lemon zest**.

CHRISTMAS LEFTOVER WRAP



MAKES 4 • PREP 5 mins • COOK 9 mins

Heat oven to 200°C/180°C fan/gas 6. Cook **4 Aunt Bessie's Yorkshire Bases** (or **4 Giant Yorkshires**) for 9 mins. Once cooked, add **a little cranberry sauce** onto each, then add some **little gem lettuce leaves**, any leftover slices of **turkey**, **pigs in blankets** and **crumbled stuffing**. Top with **mustard mayo**, and **freshly ground black pepper** or **chilli flakes**.

ASIAN BEEF



MAKES 8 • PREP 15 mins plus cooling • COOK 5 mins

Heat oven to 200°C/180°C fan/gas 6. Cook **8 Aunt Bessie's Homestyle Yorkshires** for 5 mins. Meanwhile, mix together **1 shredded carrot**, **150g finely shredded sprouts**, **3 finely sliced spring onions**, **1 finely sliced red chilli**, **1 tsp sesame oil**, the **juice of 1 lime**, **1 tsp brown sugar**, a **pinch of salt**, and a **few shakes of fish sauce**, then set aside. Once the Yorkshires are cooked, allow to cool slightly, fill with the slaw, top with slices of leftover **roast beef** and garnish with **chopped fresh coriander**.

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ALISON GRAHAM

1 An Oscar-winning actress played a ruthless politician in a dystopian BBC1 drama. Name the actress, her character and the series.

2 In this spin-off from *The Missing*, Tchéky Karyo played a detective searching Amsterdam for Tom Hollander's niece. What was it called?

3 Name the character – and the actor who played him – who made a posthumous return in the finale of *Line of Duty* series five.

4 Which northern seaside town lends its name to Derren Litten's latest sitcom?

5 What does the romantic drama *The Affair* have in common with the upcoming Mark Gatiss/Steven Moffat adaptation of *Dracula*?

6 Who adapted Jane Austen's unfinished final novel for ITV, and what was it called?

7 Name the real-life character who met a dramatic and tragic end in the last-ever series of *Poldark*.

8 Which actress reunited with screenwriter Jack Thorne for *The Accident*, the final instalment of his Channel 4 trilogy?

9 Which Hollywood star made an ill-advised trip to Lincolnshire in an ITV drama and what was it called?

10 Name the ITV drama starring Sheridan Smith as a cleaner who stole lucrative stock tips from her City employers' computers.

Alison Graham is RT TV editor



Film

ANDREW COLLINS

11 In May, after nearly a decade at the top of the global box office charts, James Cameron's *Avatar* was dethroned by which Marvel film?

12 Which blockbuster action franchise launched a spin-off under the name *Hobbs & Shaw*?

13 Martin Scorsese made his feature debut on Netflix with a crime saga based on the non-fiction book *I Heard You Paint Houses*. What was the film called?

14 Who did *not* present an Oscar at the 91st Academy Awards – Tina Fey, Jason Statham, Julia Roberts or Chadwick Boseman?

15 Which Bruce Springsteen song lent its name to a hit comedy about a British-Pakistani teenager who is crazy about the Boss's music?

16 Which Hollywood megastar had a cameo in the British comedy *Fighting with My Family*?

17 Four adaptations of Stephen King books were released in 2019, including his sequel to *The Shining*. What was it called?

18 Which English actress played a talk show host in the Mindy Kaling comedy *Late Night*?

19 Despite announcing his retirement in 2014, which British director released his latest film *Sorry We Missed You* this year?

20 What is the title of Quentin Tarantino's latest film?

Andrew Collins is RT film editor



Radio

JANE ANDERSON

21 When new national classical music digital station Scala Radio launched in March this year, whose was the first voice heard?

22 Which beloved character died in *The Archers*, after slipping out of the Cider Club unusually early?

23 Prior to the launch of his new radio show in January, who enlisted his family in a marketing campaign inviting us to breakfast?

24 Name the mezzo who describes herself as a "queer girl with a nose ring" and was the star of *Last Night of the Proms*.

25 Which long-standing presenter retired from Radio 4's *Today* programme in September?

26 "A boulder of opium twice the size of my head" was the luxury item chosen by which poet on *Desert Island Discs* in July?

27 The early departure of which Radio 1 DJ shocked viewers of *Strictly Come Dancing*?

28 In February, which former newsreader joined Classic FM as a presenter?

29 Which Andrew Lloyd Webber musical was the subject of Sue MacGregor's final edition of *The Reunion* on Radio 4?

30 Which international megastar headlined *Proms in the Park* in September?

Jane Anderson is RT radio editor



News

PADDY O'CONNELL

31 In January, a spacecraft landed on the far side of the Moon for the first time. Which country launched it?

32 Which high street chain of bakers launched a meat-free sausage roll?

33 In April, WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange was arrested at the Ecuadorian embassy. For how long had he taken refuge there?

34 The UK finished last in the *Eurovision Song Contest* in May. How many times have we won?

35 In May, Harry and Meghan, the Duke and Duchess of Sussex, announced the birth of a son. What is his name?

36 Who was Boris Johnson's final rival in the race for Conservative Party leadership?

37 In September, the Supreme Court ruled unanimously against the Government's proroguing of Parliament. Who is the Court's spider brooch-wearing president?

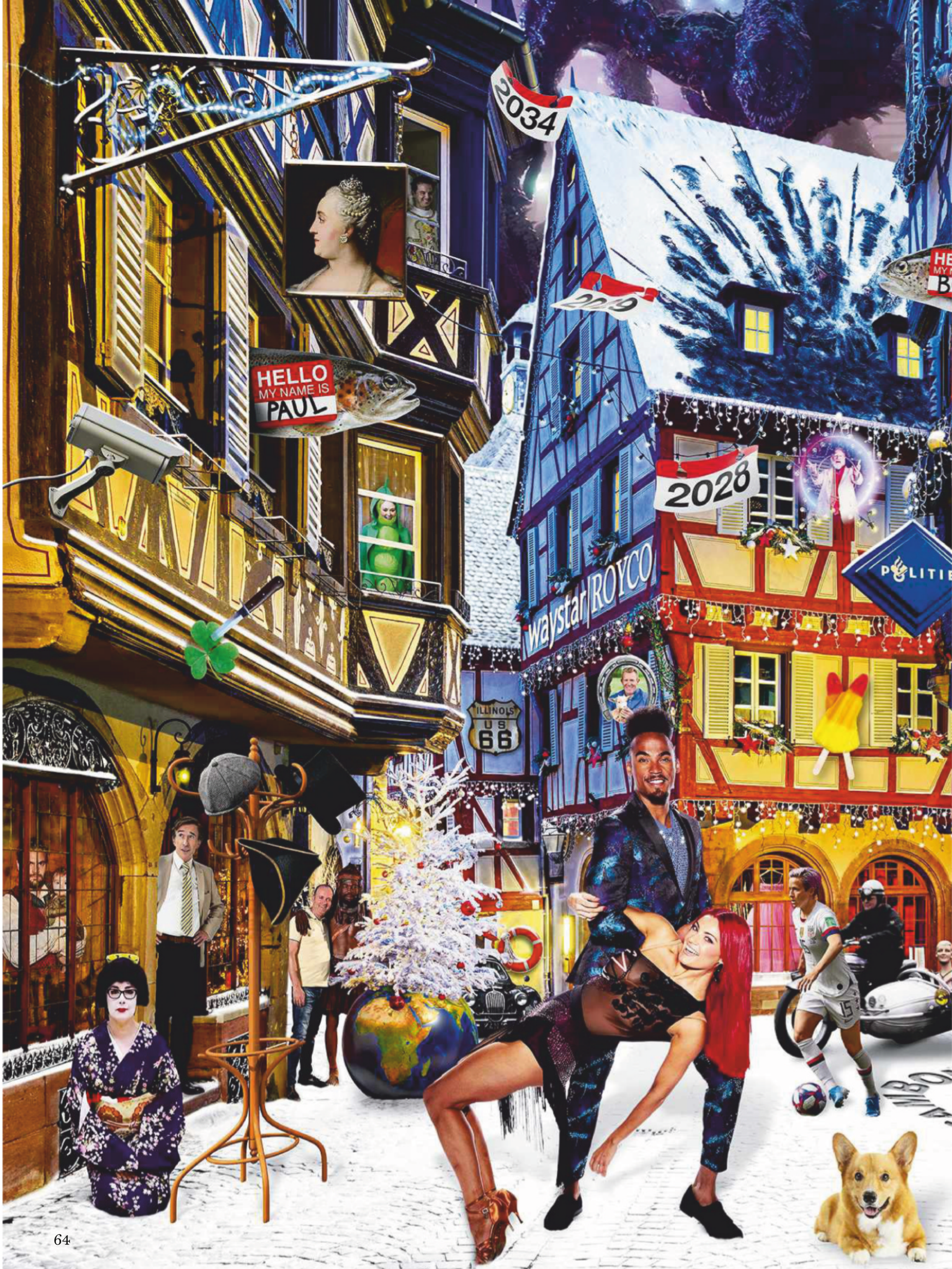
38 Following the collapse of Thomas Cook, what was the name of the operation to bring more than 150,000 holidaymakers home?

39 Which major supermarket chain announced that it would no longer sell fireworks?

40 A pizza restaurant in which town was the surprise star of *that* Prince Andrew interview?

RT columnist Paddy O'Connell hosts Broadcasting House on Radio 4

Answers on page 287 ▶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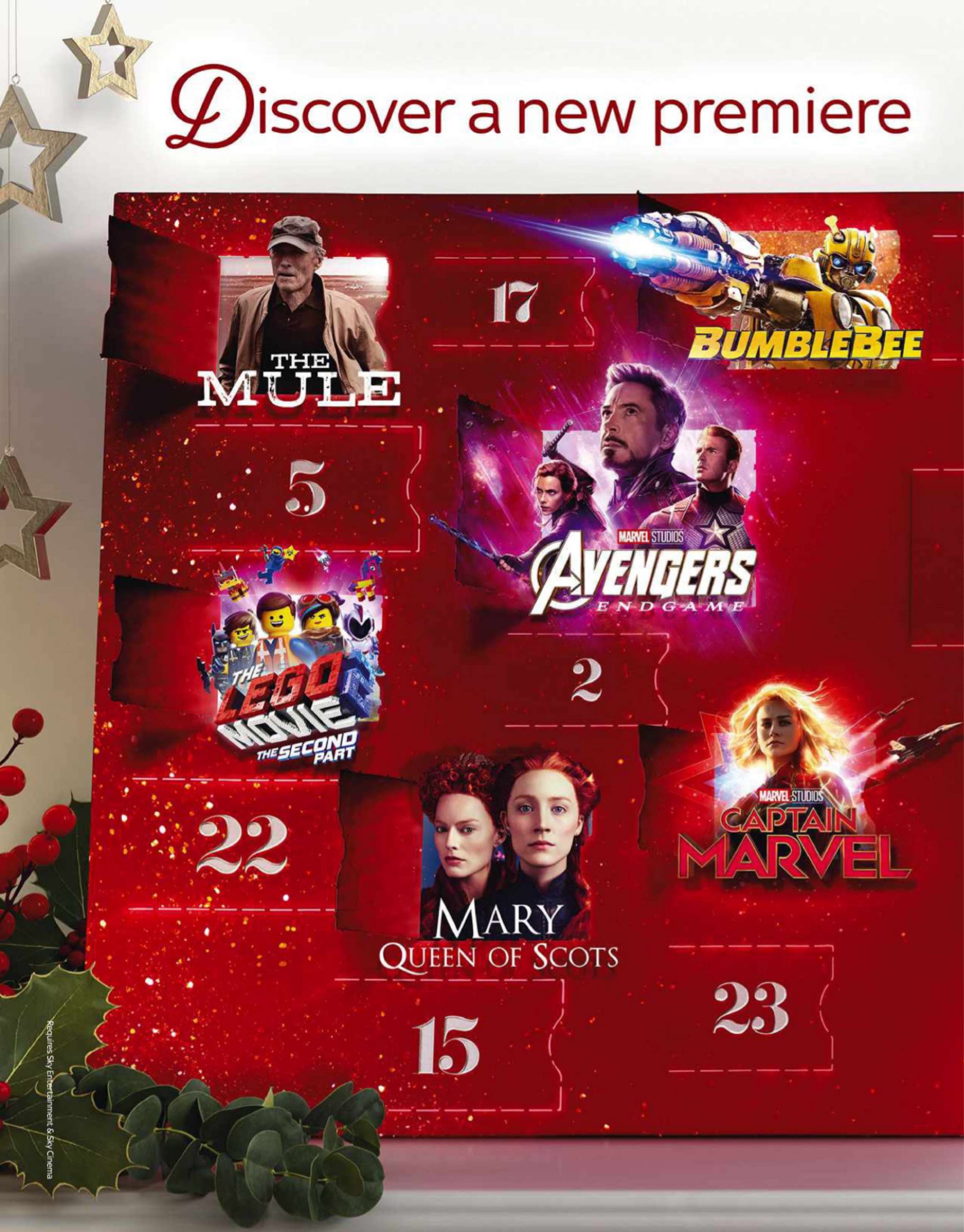

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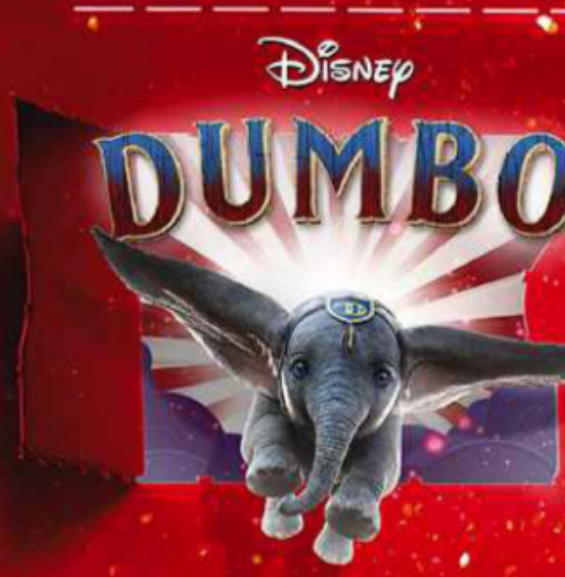

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My magnificent 7

Superpowered Christmas films for all the family



With great superpower comes great responsibility. I should know, blessed as I am with second sight on which films are showing on which channels over Christmas and the New Year. Just ask. I won't mind. The spreadsheet on my computer – a colour-coded riot of Milk Tray purple, chocolate orange and prosecco pink – lists something like 2,700 films on 40-odd channels (and that's not even including Sky/TCM). So, here's a hack, as the young people and Jamie Oliver like to say: allow me to pick seven films that might act as an armchair roadmap. My Magnificent Seven, in fact. (The classic western is on New Year's Day BBC2, by the way.)

1 White Christmas

Mon 23 Dec 1.35pm C4

Start the festivities off with *White Christmas*, because you know you want to. It's got the Second World War, Bing Crosby and Danny Kaye, Irving Berlin, the duet *Sisters* ("Lord help the mister who comes between me and my sister") and plenty of hoofing at a Vermont inn where it forgot to snow.

2 Mission: Impossible – Fallout

New Year's Day 9.00pm C4

Mission: Impossible – Fallout is your big action premiere, in a series that's now up to six big instalments. For me, the only ongoing franchise that literally gets better with every new film, and every recklessly fresh stunt performed by an insistent Tom Cruise. Spot the joins if you can.

3 Paddington 2

Boxing Day 7.20pm BBC1

Paddington 2 confirms the Ben Whishaw-voiced bear is at sequel stage, some say outshining the original thanks to Hugh Grant.

4 Finding Dory

Christmas Day 3.10pm BBC1

For the snoozy bears among you who peak in the afternoon, there's colourful Pixar sequel *Finding Dory*, whose rhythmically rolling animated depths might just undulate you off to sleep.

5 The Apartment/Some Like It Hot

Mon 30 Dec from 1.00pm BBC2

A man who looks better in black-and-white, Jack Lemmon appears twice in the time-honoured double bill of *The Apartment/Some Like It Hot*. Nobody's perfect, except perhaps the director of both, Mr Billy Wilder.

6 Liam Gallagher: As It Was

Sun 29 Dec 10.15pm BBC2

Another year packed with revealing music docs delivers *Liam Gallagher: As It Was*, in which the swearier brother from Oasis comes clean about his breakdown ("I'm off me coconut") and comeback. The earlier account *Supersonic* follows, rerunning their finest hours.

7 The Sound of Music

Thu 2 Jan 7.00pm BBC4

When Oasis broke ticket-demand records with two gigs at Knebworth Park, the grounds were alive with... well, *The Sound of Music*, albeit music of a different stripe. The timeless opening sequence involves Julie Andrews singing for anyone who, in pre-war Salzburg, wants to listen. It's another classic choice for the terminally nostalgic and also offers a European slice of the Second World War.

As my Magnificent Seven concludes, **Avengers: Endgame** (Boxing Day Sky Premiere) barges in to remind us that this year it knocked *Avatar* off the top of the all-time box-office charts. In the spirit of superheroes everywhere, use the power I've given you wisely... and don't hog the armrest.

ALL YOU WANT FOR CHRISTMAS
From top left: Some Like It Hot; The Sound of Music; White Christmas; Avengers: Endgame; Paddington 2

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Film Reviews

Films on BBC1, BBC2, ITV, C4 and C5, and other highlights

Saturday 21

DID YOU KNOW? Among the many jobs a young Alastair Sim dreamed of having, hypnotist was top of the list: "I practised on gentle dogs," he said



ANDREW COLLINS

FILM OF THE DAY

Scrooge

3.10pm ***C5****; also Christmas Day 1.25pm* U



CLASSIC It was with a certain poetic irony that the first run of 6,000 copies of the new Dickens novella *A Christmas Carol* sold out before Christmas Eve 1843, leaving readers bereft and in need of Yuletide cheer. As well as popularising the greeting "Merry Christmas!", it immortalised "Bah! Humbug!" and the noun "Scrooge" to denote "a miserly person". After two silent film adaptations in 1901 and 1913 came the first talkie in 1935 (Christmas Eve/Fri 27 Dec Talking Pictures TV), which opted not to show the ghosts.

Of the hundreds of versions, you may take your pick from the 1970 model with Albert Finney (Christmas Day BBC2), *Scrooged* from 1988 (Sun 22 Dec/Christmas Eve Comedy Central), updated to suit Bill Murray as a grumpy TV mogul who gives his staff cheap monogrammed towels, or the new three-part adaptation coming to BBC1 this Christmas (see p21).

But if you ask me, the only show in town remains this 1951 British version, adapted by Noel Langley (his name seasonally preordained) for Northern Irish producer/director Brian Desmond Hurst, and not just starring that great Scot Mr Alastair Sim but revolving around every sneer of his lip and every slurp of gruel to his ungrateful mouth.

Shot in black-and-white – a sarcastic decision that rendered it "too gloomy" for US audiences – it stands today as a landmark. Most renderings nod to John Leech's original Victorian illustrations, and Hurst makes his interpretation no exception, with flickering candles, ragged orphans and Marley's chains. Peter Bull's throaty narration and Richard Addinsell's melodramatic chords complete a family film that chills the bones, before allowing that magnificent sigh of relief come Christmas morning.

It's no coincidence that my second-favourite *Christmas Carol* is the 1971 animation by Richard Williams – later renowned for *Roger Rabbit*. Recognise Scrooge's voice? It's Alastair Sim.

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P Newsies: the Broadway Musical ★★★★

9.50am-12 noon ***BBC2*** PG

MUSICAL Stage meets screen in a gorgeously mounted production of the Broadway musical about a group of paper boys who form a union to get better treatment from their bosses. Led by Jeremy Jordan, this features all the gloss you'd expect from Disney, but the script doesn't shy away from the harsh realities. An improvement on *The News Boys*, the 1992 movie it was based on, *Newsies* offers viewers the glamour of a Broadway experience and a captivating story. **JL** (US 2017, some violence, HD)

The African Queen ★★★★★

10.45am-1.00pm ***C5*** U

ADVENTURE Humphrey Bogart won an Oscar as the skipper who clashes with spinster Katharine Hepburn in this fine First World War adventure. The two leads squabbled, but the elements fused into a unique screen chemistry and a gentle humour absent from the shooting script. Director John Huston got distracted by extracurricular safaris, but Bogie wouldn't have had to act too much to look distressed as he pulled the *Queen* through the leech-infested water. The result is a film classic. **DP** (UK 1951, HD)

Casino Royale ★★★★

8.10-10.55pm ***ITV*** 12

SPY Daniel Craig takes James Bond back to basics as director Martin Campbell injects some *Bourne*-style grit into the proceedings. The plot sees Bond tackle villain Le Chiffre (a splendid Mads Mikkelsen) in a game of high-stakes poker, and Craig's humanised, more flawed interpretation of the role balances Campbell's physical direction and co-writer Paul Haggis's sparing wit. Meanwhile, Eva Green provides an alluring love interest. **AS** (UK/CzRep/Ger/US 2006, violence, col/BW, HD)

Mrs Brown ★★★★★

9.15-10.55pm ***BBC4*** PG

DRAMA In the first of a Judi Dench double bill, with *Philomena* following this film, Dench and Billy Connolly are a wonderfully regal double-act in a perceptive blend of fact and fiction. The story examines the relationship between Queen Victoria and her Scottish gillie, who dispelled her gloom after the death of Prince Albert. Dench provides a dignified counter-balance to comedian Connolly, who makes the part his own. **TH** (UK/US/Ire 1997)

P Daddy's Home Two ★★★

9.20-11.15pm ***C4*** 12

COMEDY Will Ferrell and Mark Wahlberg reprise their roles as competitive "co-dads" in this inevitable sequel to the 2015 hit *Daddy's Home*. It's a four-way father face-off this time, as Ferrell and Wahlberg are joined for Christmas by their dads (John Lithgow and Mel Gibson). Much competitive one-upmanship ensues in a film that doesn't always work. **DA** (US 2017, swearing, HD)

Looper ★★★★★

12.25-2.15am ***BBC1*** 15

SCI-FI Set in 2044, this fast-paced sci-fi stars Joseph Gordon-Levitt as a hitman sent back through time for a job, where he encounters his older self (Bruce Willis). Director Rian Johnson (*Star Wars: the Last Jedi*) keeps the action pumping, while his leads sell the mind and muscle of an ingenious genre film. Showing only if Liverpool reach the final; if they reach the third place play-off, the transmission time will be 12.15-2.05am. **DW** (US 2012, violence, swearing, some sexual references, nudity, HD)

PICK OF THE REST...

The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe ★★★

12.20-3.10pm ***5STAR*** PG

Children discover a magical land. *Prince Caspian* is on next Saturday on C5. (2005, HD)

The Goonies ★★★

1.00-3.10pm ***C5*** 12

Good-natured adventure. (1985, HD)

Madagascar ★★★

3.15-5.00pm ***C4*** U

Animal friends head for the wild. (2005, HD)

Shrek ★★★★

4.50-6.25pm ***ITV*** U

Delightful animated comedy. The first two sequels are on BBC1 next Monday and Tuesday (New Year's Eve). (2001, HD)

Swallows and Amazons ★★★★

5.15-6.45pm ***BBC2*** PG

Nostalgic adventure. (2016, HD)

Men in Black ★★★★

7.30-9.20pm ***C4*** PG

Spectacular sci-fi comedy. The second sequel is on Boxing Day. (1997, HD)

Basic Instinct ★★★

11.10pm-1.20am ***ITV*** 18

Slick erotic thriller. (1992, HD)

The Inbetweeners Movie ★★★

11.15pm-1.05am ***C4*** 15

The sitcom lads go on holiday. (2011, HD)

Behind the Candelabra ★★★★

11.35pm-1.30am ***BBC2*** 15

Michael Douglas plays Liberace (2013, HD)

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U - suitable for all; Uc - suitable for all, especially for children; PG Parental Guidance - for general viewing, but some scenes may be unsuitable for young or sensitive children; 12A cinema only - younger children must be accompanied by an adult; 12, 15, 18 - for viewers of these ages and over.

ANDREW COLLINS

FILM OF THE DAY

P Office Christmas Party ★★★

10.00pm-12 midnight **C4** 15

COMEDY Very much in the same calendar-highlighting vein as the late Garry Marshall's opportunistic holiday comedies *Valentine's Day*, *Mother's Day* and *New Year's Eve* comes Josh Gordon's ruder cousin *Office Christmas Party*. It's co-written by two Brits – Laura Solon and Dan Mazer – which lends the all-American farce a certain subtlety in places. The party is an apocalyptically wild affair, thrown by TJ Miller's gregariously hirsute branch manager as a riposte to the redundancies threatened by the company's caretaker CEO Jennifer Aniston (who just happens to be his sister). Trysts, fights and orgies ensue, and that's before things get truly out of hand. Olivia Munn, Kate McKinnon and Jason Bateman pitch in, Miller (dressed as Santa) declares, "Merry Christmas, bitches!" and, well, you get the idea. Aniston is on home turf as a horrible boss, and Rob Corddry and Courtney B Vance bring class, but Miller's subsequent real-life run-ins with the law may taint your enjoyment. (US 2016, swearing, drug abuse, HD)



DID YOU KNOW?
The film-long soiree shot for two months with 400 extras: "Every day... you had to show up to party," said director Josh Gordon

DAYTIME

Toy Story ★★★★★
1.50-3.05pm **BBC1** PG

ADVENTURE Director John Lasseter delivered a great adventure story with the first completely computer-generated animation feature. Woody (voiced by Tom Hanks), an old-fashioned pullstring cowboy, lords it benevolently over Mr Potato Head (Don Rickles), Bo Peep (Annie Potts) and Rex the Dinosaur (Wallace Shawn) and remains his owner's favourite toy until the arrival of Buzz Lightyear (Tim Allen), a hi-tech space-ranger. Apart from the brilliant characterisations, mention should also be made of Randy Newman's masterly score, which was Oscar-nominated along with his song *You've Got a Friend*. The first two sequels are on tomorrow and Christmas Eve. **TH** (US 1995, HD)

Penguins of Madagascar ★★★
3.05-4.30pm **BBC1** U

COMEDY Those scene-stealing penguins from the *Madagascar* franchise deservedly get their own spin-off movie. They're recruited as spies to thwart the world-takeover plans of arch-baddie octopus Dave – a role that stretches John Malkovich's vocal chords more than his acting muscles – while Benedict Cumberbatch voices the goodie group's wolfish boss. Writer/director Eric Darnell and co-director Simon J Smith struggle at times with a generic plot, contrived gags and a tendency to assume frantic is fun. But the penguins (voiced by their animators) are kiddie-friendly cute and there are enough mirthful moments – many splendidly surreal – to make this a trip worth taking. Also showing on Saturday 28 on CBBC. **DA** (US 2014, HD)

Finding Neverland ★★★★
3.40-5.15pm **BBC2** PG

BIOPIC Fantasy and reality combine to magical effect in this deeply affecting drama from director Marc Forster. Adapted from a stage play by Allan Knee – and taking a few liberties with events – it's a beautifully crafted account of the creation and evolution of the children's classic *Peter Pan*. Johnny Depp is magnificent as the playwright JM Barrie, whose career is reinvigorated when he befriends the four fatherless Llewelyn Davies boys and their recently widowed mother, Sylvia (Kate Winslet). It's a performance of genuine emotion, superbly complemented by Winslet's tender turn. But the movie's real soul comes from the youngsters, particularly Freddie Highmore as the serious-minded Peter. Forster matches his actors' talent with imaginative visuals, giving the story an enchanting sense of wonder. **SF** (US 2004, HD)

The BFG ★★★
5.15-7.00pm **BBC1** PG

FANTASY Little orphan Sophie (played by newcomer Ruby Barnhill) is kidnapped by a benevolent giant (a soulful and brilliantly motion-captured Mark Rylance) who blows dreams into the bedrooms of sleeping humans, in Steven Spielberg's visually dazzling but emotionally remote adaptation of Roald Dahl's children's classic. A sluggish first half, in which Sophie aimlessly wanders through gaudy fairy-tale trappings, finally turns fun fantasy when the BFG joins forces with the Queen (a game Penelope Wilton) to halt the threat of his even larger flesh-eating brethren. This is more a child-friendly experience than an adult one, but it's gratifying that Dahl's gibberish dialogue has made it to the screen intact. **AJ** (US 2016, HD)

EVENING

Paddington ★★★★
7.15-9.00pm **C4** PG

ADVENTURE Director Paul King could have betrayed the essence of Michael Bond's much-loved character, but, have no fear, this is a class act. After a prologue set in Peru, the eponymous young bear (beautifully voiced by Ben Whishaw) moves into the London home of the Brown family (led by parents Hugh Bonneville and Sally Hawkins). Mishaps aplenty soon ensue, but Paddington eventually wins the affection of his hosts. But can they keep him safe from the clutches of a mysterious taxidermist (Nicole Kidman)? With slapstick for the children and wink-wink grown-up jokes, this is a thrillingly, lovingly, deeply British film. The sequel premieres on Boxing Day on BBC1. **LF** (UK/Fr 2014, HD)

Make Mine a Million ★★★
7.20-9.00pm **Talking Pictures TV** U

COMEDY Diminutive funster Arthur Askey had often spoofed the BBC on radio and in films and, when he made the transition from the BBC to ITV, he likewise took the rise out of his new employers. In this satire on advertising, Askey is a make-up man who falls under the influence of dodgy promoter Sidney James and becomes the on-screen star of soap powder commercials. Many ITV stars of the time appear as themselves and the whole thing is a pacey romp, providing easy watching for fans of Askey's enthusiastic style. **DF** (UK 1959, BW)

Quantum of Solace ★★★
9.00-11.05pm **ITV** 12

SPY Daniel Craig's second outing as James Bond fails to deliver on the promise of its predecessor, *Casino Royale*. Picking up events directly after that film's climax, it sees Bond looking for answers after the death of his lover, Vesper Lynd. The trail leads to Quantum, a mysterious organisation that has infiltrated the world's corridors of power. Marc Forster's take on 007 was hit by a writer's strike during its making, and the script suffers as a result, but viewed solely as an action spectacle, there's still plenty of excitement. While Craig may be ill-served by the material on this occasion, his committed performance as the spy hero remains eminently watchable. **JH** (UK/US 2008, violence, HD)

LATE NIGHT

The Fugitive ★★★★
11.15pm-1.55am **ITV4** 15

THRILLER This big-screen adaptation of the long-running 1960s TV series bears little resemblance to its source, but that's a blessing. Director Andrew Davis takes the bare bones of the TV material and comes up with an unstoppable and tense juggernaut, filled with epic set pieces. Harrison Ford is fine as the surgeon who is wrongfully convicted of the murder of his wife. But the movie is stolen from under his nose by Tommy Lee Jones, who gives an Oscar-winning performance as the marshal doggedly pursuing the wanted man. **JF** (US 1993, violence, swearing, col/BW, HD)

PICK OF THE REST...

Freaky Friday ★★★
6.05-7.45am **C4** U
Jodie Foster is mum for a day. (1976, HD)

The Harry Hill Movie ★★
7.45-9.30am **C4** PG
Harry must save a pet hamster. (2013, HD)

Home ★★★ *10.05-11.30am* **BBC1** U
A fugitive alien befriends a girl. (2014, HD)

Father of the Bride ★★★★
12.50-3.00pm **C5** PG
Steve Martin is a harrassed dad. The sequel is showing on Friday. (1991, HD)

Paint Your Wagon ★★★
1.10-3.40pm **BBC2** PG
Warm-hearted musical. Preceded by *Westerns Talking Pictures*. (1969, HD)

The Borrowers ★★★
3.25-5.05pm **C4** U
The family under the floor. (1997, HD)

Sense and Sensibility ★★★★★
6.20-9.00pm **Paramount Network** U
Charming Jane Austen drama. Joe Wright's *Pride & Prejudice* with Keira Knightley follows. (1995, HD)

P Mary Queen of Scots ★★★
8.00-10.10pm **Sky Premiere** 15
See review, page 118. (2018, HD)

Pacific Rim ★★★
9.00-11.30pm **Sky1** 12
Dumb-but-fun sci-fi action. (2013, HD)

Starter for 10 ★★★★
11.50pm-1.20am **BBC2** 12
James McAvoy gets quizzical. (2006, HD)

Dude, Where's My Car? ★
12 midnight-1.30am **C4** 15
Witless stoner comedy. (2000, HD)

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Monday 23

ANDREW COLLINS

FILM OF THE DAY

White Christmas ★★★★★

1.35-4.00pm **C4** U

MUSICAL The world's bestselling single first appeared in 1942's *Holiday Inn*, but this 1954 retread places *White Christmas* front and centre. Bing Crosby is back, this time with Danny Kaye as his army buddy, and Vera Ellen and Rosemary Clooney are the singing sisters. With the retirement plans of their former CO (Dean Jagger) in jeopardy, our boys relocate an entire musical extravaganza to Vermont, and it all works out beautifully. (US 1954, HD)

DID YOU KNOW?
The film doesn't only share Bing Crosby's song with *Holiday Inn*; its Columbia Inn set is the same as the one used in the 1942 movie



From Time to Time ★★★

11.50am-1.55pm **C5** PG

FANTASY Slipping between the 1940s and the Napoleonic era, this compelling tale sees a young Mancunian evacuee (Alex Etel) encounter a spectral black pageboy. Writer/director Julian Fellowes invests the action with plenty of nostalgic warmth. **DP** (UK 2009, HD)

Toy Story 2 ★★★★★

1.25-2.55pm **BBC1** U

ADVENTURE This sequel manages to surpass its predecessor, as Buzz and the gang attempt to rescue Woody from a sleazy toy collector. There are in-jokes at the expense of *Star Wars* and *Jurassic Park*, plus a charming re-creation of a 1950s TV puppet show. **DP** (US 1999, HD)

Brave ★★★★

2.55-4.20pm **BBC1** PG

FAIRY TALE Pixar's first female feature hero is a memorable creation. Kelly MacDonald voices Merida, a Scottish princess whose head of unruly red hair conveys her fiery spirit. But when she learns she is to be married to preserve peace in the kingdom, she decides to take off. Although the film lacks the audacious spirit of the studio's earlier offerings, it looks stunning. **BP** (US 2012, HD)

P The Time of Their Lives ★★

4.10-6.05pm **C5** 12

ROAD MOVIE Joan Collins stars here as a long-forgotten screen goddess who absconds from her retirement home with downtrodden housewife Pauline Collins in tow. This autumn-years comic odyssey has its moments – some funny, some sweet and some moving. **DA** (UK 2017, swearing, drug abuse, HD)

The Lady in the Van ★★★

10.45pm-12.25am **BBC2** 12

COMEDY DRAMA Maggie Smith lets her hair down in the role of a real-life bumptious bag lady who lived in a van outside the Camden home of writer Alan Bennett (Alex Jennings). The friendship that develops between the pair certainly defies Hollywood conventions. **SP** (UK 2015, swearing, HD)

Gremlins ★★★★

10.45pm-12.45am **ITV** 12

BLACK COMEDY This wonderfully anarchic affair sees Zach Galligan given a cuddly pet mogwai as a gift, only to unwittingly unleash a vicious swarm of little gremlins. Director Joe Dante joyfully trashes the nostalgia of small-town America and there are a host of cameos to spot. **JF** (US 1984, some violence, swearing, HD)

PICK OF THE REST...

The Greatest Story Ever Told ★★★
9.35am-12.40pm **BBC2** U
A retelling of the life of Christ. (1965, HD)

Kung Fu Panda ★★★
10.30-11.50am **BBC1** PG
A Panda dreams of being a hero. (2008, HD)

The Mummy Returns ★★★
11.25am-1.45pm **ITV** 12
Slick tomb-raiding sequel. *Tomb of the Dragon Emperor* is on Friday 27. (2001, HD)

Mrs Caldicot's Cabbage War ★★
1.55-4.10pm **C5** 12
Pauline Collins leads a rebellion. (2000, HD)

Entrapment ★★ *2.15-4.00pm* **BBC2** 12
Sean Connery is a master thief. Preceded by a *Talking Pictures* on the actor. (1999, HD)

The Santa Clause ★★★
2.15-4.15pm **ITV** U
Engaging yuletide comedy. (1994, HD)

The Inbetweeners 2 ★★★
11.00pm-12.50am **C4** 15
The boys go Down Under. (2014, HD)

The Manchurian Candidate ★★★★★
12.25-2.30am **BBC2** 15
A war veteran is brainwashed. (1962, BW, HD)

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FAMILY FILM OF THE DAY

DID YOU KNOW? Director Bill Condon asked Beyoncé to voice the film's feather duster, but she refused, saying, "It wasn't a big enough part"

Beauty and the Beast ★★★★

5.30-7.30pm ***BBC1*** PG

FANTASY Disney's original, animated 1991 *Beauty and the Beast* was the studio's second (after *The Rescuers Down Under*) to employ new-fangled digital ink and paint software developed by Pixar. Although some motion-capture technology was used for this 2017 live-action remake, it emerges as a heart-warmingly old-fashioned human spectacular that makes sound use of Alan Menken and the late Howard Ashman's songs – with the addition of a few newbies co-written by Tim Rice. Emma Watson (as a relateable Belle), Dan Stevens (a sexy Beast), Luke Evans (a bragging Gaston), Josh Gad (comic relief LeFou) and Kevin Kline (as Belle's father, Maurice) give full-throated vocal accounts, while the original's teapot, clock, candelabra and other cursed objects are cast from the top drawer. Director Bill Condon and his choreographers whisk us around the Shepperton-based sets to ensure we appreciate the lavish budget. (US 2017, HD)



DAYTIME

Murder on the Orient Express

★★★★ *11.40am-1.45pm* ***BBC2*** PG

MURDER MYSTERY Preceded by *Albert Finney Talking Pictures*, this is easily the best screen adaptation of an Agatha Christie whodunnit and, for those unfamiliar with either book or film, the solution will take your breath away. Finney makes fussy Belgian detective Hercule Poirot seem every bit as preposterous as Christie intended, yet without relying on the oversized mannerisms of Peter Ustinov or Kenneth Branagh's distracting moustache in the 2017 remake. Finney deservedly earned an Oscar nomination for his performance. The supporting cast does everything expected of it, with Ingrid Bergman's Oscar-winning turn the pick of a stellar selection. Praise should also go to director Sidney Lumet for lashing on the style and keeping you guessing until the end. **DP** (UK 1974, some violence, HD)

The Grinch ★★★★

12.40-2.40pm ***ITV*** PG

FANTASY Dr Seuss's cult children's favourite *How the Grinch Stole Christmas!* gets the big-budget treatment in this seasonal spectacular from director Ron Howard. Starring an almost unrecognisable Jim Carrey, it's the splendid tale of a miserable, green-furred mountain-dweller who's out to wreck the festive celebrations in the town of Whoville below. A vivacious delight capable of charming the most Scrooge-like viewer, this fantasy frolic is, in the end, such a heart-warmer it deserves to become a genre classic. However, parents should be warned that Carrey's madcap excesses may be too much for the very young. **SF** (US/Ger 2000, HD)

Toy Story 3 ★★★★★

1.25-3.00pm ***BBC1*** U

ADVENTURE Pixar's third rummage in the toy box delivers exactly what it's supposed to, with appealing fringe benefits. Director Lee Unkrich (*Monsters, Inc*, *Finding Nemo*) serves up an expert blend of slapstick fun, as Andy's playthings are donated to a day-care centre. It's Woody to the rescue in a sweet and thrilling take on prison-break movies, which leads to a typically tear-inducing finale. The new characters – including plush teddy bear Lotso and his creepy sidekick Big Baby – are a delight, while Buzz Lightyear switched to Spanish language mode is just one of the hilarious highlights of this colourful charmer. **AJ** (US 2010, HD)

Death on the Nile ★★★

1.45-4.00pm ***BBC2*** PG

MURDER MYSTERY Peter Ustinov takes over as pernickety Belgian sleuth Hercule Poirot in this solid, star-studded dramatisation of Agatha Christie's paddle-steamer mystery. The plot is suitably tricky, the Egyptian locations dazzling and all the actors seem to be having a terrific time – especially Angela Lansbury as a drunken writer and Maggie Smith as an acid-tongued nurse. It's only in comparison with 1974's *Murder on the Orient Express* (showing today with *Death on the Nile* in a double bill, see left) that the film inevitably suffers – the solution isn't quite as jaw-dropping, and some of the whys and wherefores overtax credibility. **DvB** (UK 1978, edited for violence)

My Fair Lady ★★★★★

2.55-6.35pm ***C5*** U

MUSICAL This sumptuous adaptation of Alan Jay Lerner and Frederick Loewe's smash Broadway version of George Bernard Shaw's play *Pygmalion* won eight well-deserved Oscars. It boasts superb performances from Rex Harrison as Henry Higgins and Stanley Holloway as Alfred P Doolittle, while Audrey Hepburn is wonderful as Eliza – nobody could ever blossom as beautifully as she does in the Cecil Beaton costumes later on, and her portrayal is funny and heart-warming in equal doses. A more visually inspired director might have brought a little more élan to the work, but, with elegance and taste, George Cukor rightly preserves the original's theatricality to provide a joyful cinematic experience. **TS** (US 1964, HD)

Frozen ★★★★

3.00-4.35pm ***BBC1*** PG

ADVENTURE Hans Christian Andersen's *The Snow Queen* gets the Disney-princess treatment in a dazzling fairy tale. Tony Award-winning Idina Menzel voices Elsa, whose magical frostiness is revealed after she becomes queen, causing her to flee to the mountains. Together with a handsome swain, his trusty reindeer and an eternally optimistic snowman (Josh Gad), her sister Anna (Kristen Bell) determines to find her. Full of vivid action and solid drama, this flawless union of sharply modern comedy and thrilling spectacle also has superb show-tune songs by Robert Lopez, whose previous work adorns *The Book of Mormon* and *Avenue Q*. *Frozen II* (again with Menzel and Bell) arrived in cinemas last month. **AJ** (US 2013, HD)

Elf ★★★★

5.15-7.00pm ***ITV*** PG

COMEDY Director Jon Favreau's sweet seasonal comedy relies entirely on the talents of Will Ferrell, who plays Buddy, an adult raised by Santa's little helpers. Now too outsized – by elf standards – to assist with present creation, Buddy discovers the existence of his birth father (James Caan) and heads for New York. Effects trickery creates pint-sized toymakers and flying reindeer, but this strives for the feel of vintage Disney through twee settings and storybook narration. Dressed in green throughout and dispensing sugary snacks and a beaming grin, Ferrell is the life and soul of an infectiously entertaining Christmas celebration. **JC** (US 2003, HD)



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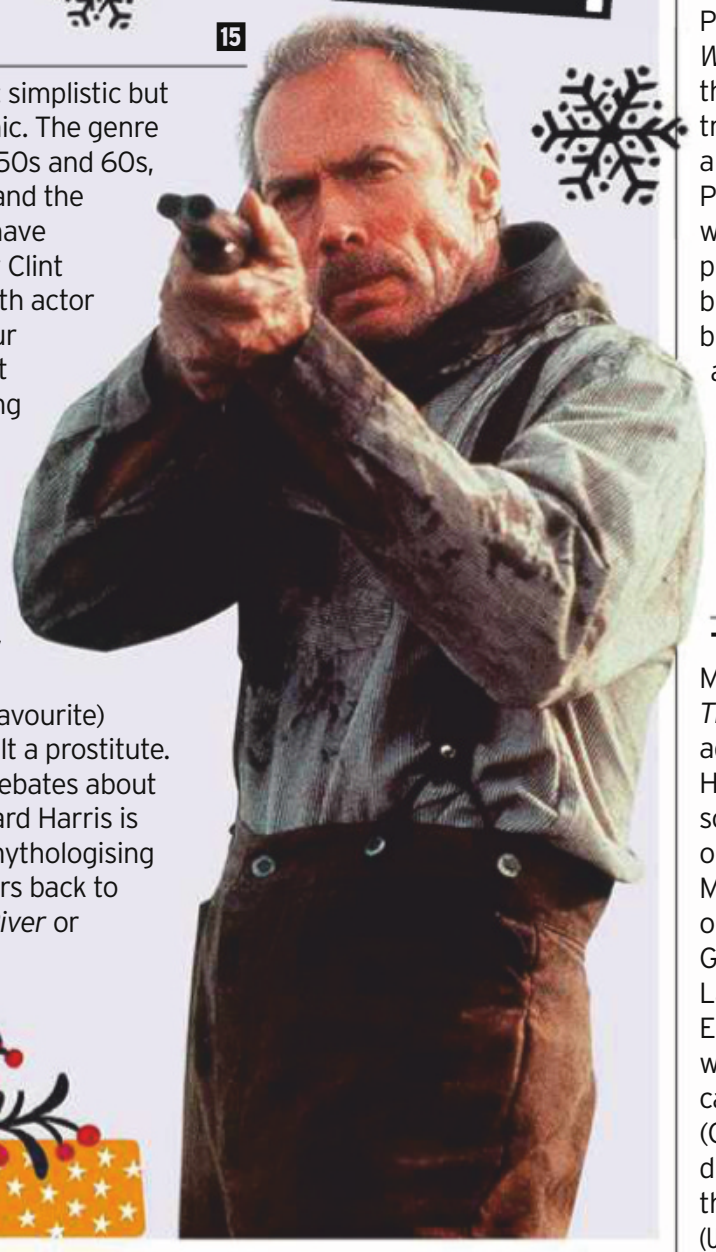
FILM OF THE DAY

Unforgiven ★★★★★

10.00pm-12.35am **ITV4** 15

DID YOU KNOW? A Japanese remake was released in 2013, starring Ken Watanabe as a Meiji-era samurai who helps an old friend capture an outlaw duo



WESTERN Ah, the western: simplistic but powerful; formulaic yet mythic. The genre had its heyday in the 1940s, 50s and 60s, but revisionist additions expand the cowboy canon. Of these, all have *Unforgiven* to beat. Arguably Clint Eastwood's finest hour as both actor and director, the film won four Oscars in 1993, including best director and picture. Unfolding in Wyoming and Kansas, where Clint's retired bandit is raising two kids on a pig farm, it's a classic set-up: the ageing gunslinger straps on his holster one last time for a $1,000 bounty and comes up against an evil sheriff (Gene Hackman, my favourite) after some wrong 'uns assault a prostitute. Shoot-outs, ambushes and debates about honour ensue. The late Richard Harris is good value, too, as the self-mythologising English Bob. If it sends viewers back to old-school classics like *Red River* or *High Noon*, all the better. (US 1992, violence, swearing, HD)

EVENING

Home Alone ★★★★

5.30-7.30pm **C4** PG

COMEDY This modest Christmas movie became one of the highest-grossing pictures of all time. Writer/producer John Hughes and director Chris Columbus tuned in to two key elements: the joyfulness of Steven Spielberg's *ET*, with its children triumphing over adults, and the perennial chase of Tom and Jerry cartoons. Thus Macaulay Culkin, then ten years old and already in his fifth picture, plays the youngster left stranded by his parents who fly to Paris for the holiday. He pigs out on junk food, watches videos and then copes heroically with two burglars (Joe Pesci and Daniel Stern), crying "Yes!" when he zaps them. Surprisingly violent in a cartoon-like way, it's a celebration of enterprise that captured the heart and wickedness of every child on the planet. The sequel is on tomorrow. **AT** (US 1990, HD)

Planes, Trains and Automobiles ★★★★

9.00-11.00pm **Sky1** 15

COMEDY Steve Martin and John Candy give excellent performances as the not-so-good companions desperately trying to get home for Thanksgiving in another amiable festive comedy from *Home Alone* creator John Hughes, as he sends up the vagaries of the whole American transport system. It occasionally finds it difficult to balance the slapstick with the sentiment, yet the cheerfully astute playing by the disaster-prone "little-and-large" leads ensures that the farcical proceedings are always fun to watch. **AJ** (US 1987, swearing, HD)

Moulin Rouge! ★★★★

9.00-11.30pm **Paramount Network** 12

MUSICAL The final film in director Baz Luhrmann's "Red Curtain" trilogy – alongside *Strictly Ballroom* and *Romeo + Juliet* – revolves around writer Ewan McGregor, who falls for courtesan Nicole Kidman at the Parisian nightclub of the title. But their love is threatened by her tuberculosis, as well as the fact she is betrothed to duke Richard Roxburgh. This is wrapped up in such an audacious mix of traditional and contemporary song – including David Bowie, Elton John, Madonna and Nirvana – and staged with a near-insane visual ambition, you will either fall in love with every camp flourish, or find yourself exhausted after 20 minutes. It's a singular achievement either way. **AC** (US/Aus 2001, some violence, HD)

Great Expectations ★★

11.15pm-1.15am **BBC2** 12

PERIOD DRAMA Ralph Fiennes (as escaped prisoner Magwitch) and Helena Bonham Carter (as spinster Miss Havisham) provide the high spots in this grim and cheerless adaptation of the Charles Dickens classic. Each has a hand in shaping the future of orphan Pip, who's played as a grown-up by *War Horse's* Jeremy Irvine, and is given the chance to better himself after a trust fund is opened in his name by a mysterious benefactor. Irvine plays Pip as all innocence, and so his scenes with Holliday Grainger's Estella have no pulse. Director Mike Newell drains every bit of colour to affect an ominous mood, but this also drains the movie's life, and all final hopes and expectations are dashed by a bungled ending. **SP** (UK/US 2012, some violence, brief swearing, HD)

LATE NIGHT

The Talented Mr Ripley ★★★★

11.40pm-2.30am **Sony Movies** 15

THRILLER Director Anthony Minghella followed his award-winning *The English Patient* with this absorbing adaptation of the novel by Patricia Highsmith, which introduced the sociopathic antihero who would go on to feature in four further books. Matt Damon plays Ripley, a young opportunist who seeks out Dickie Greenleaf (the Oscar-nominated Jude Law), an American playboy living it up in Europe. Ripley establishes a friendship with Dickie, but comes to envy the carefree life he shares with his girlfriend (Gwyneth Paltrow). Minghella's classy direction and the superior cast make this never less than compelling. **LH** (US 1999, violence, swearing, brief nudity)

Casino Royale ★★★

12.45-2.55am **ITV** PG

SPOOF It is perhaps wise not to think of this unwieldy spy caper as a James Bond movie. Though nominally based on Ian Fleming's first 007 novel (remade in 2006 with Daniel Craig), it is an Austin Powers-type spoof in which David Niven's retired Bond recruits assorted 007 agents (among them Ursula Andress and Peter Sellers) to avenge the death of "M" (John Huston). A surfeit of screenwriters (eight, including Billy Wilder) and directors (five, including Huston) lends the whole a chaotic, disjointed air, but there is much fun to be had along the way. In the all-star cast, Orson Welles plays villain Le Chiffre and Woody Allen appears as James's neurotic nephew, Jimmy. **AC** (UK 1967, violence, HD)

Made in Dagenham ★★★★

12.55-2.45am **BBC1** 15

COMEDY DRAMA There seems to be a fail-safe formula for creating successful British films: take some plucky working-class Brits, mix with a situation that tests their mettle, sprinkle in some gritty social history, and, hey presto, you have a sure-fire hit on your hands. Set in 1968, *Made in Dagenham* focuses on the struggle of the women machinists at Dagenham's Ford factory to convince management that they deserved the same pay as their male colleagues, a breakthrough moment of the 1960s that gave momentum to the campaign for equal pay for women. Sally Hawkins is wonderful as the strike's energetic yet reluctant leader, while Miranda Richardson steals every scene as cabinet minister Barbara Castle. **AIS** (UK/Ire 2010, swearing, sex scene, HD)

Tamara Drewe ★★★

1.15-3.00am **BBC2** 15

COMEDY DRAMA A sleepy Dorset village becomes a hotbed of scandal after an "It girl" columnist returns home to set local hearts fluttering in this adaptation of Posy Simmonds's *Guardian* cartoon strip. The eponymous Tamara (Gemma Arterton) certainly doesn't lack charm, yet the other characters prove more engaging, among them a put-upon spouse (Tamsin Greig) and a crime novelist (Roger Allam). Director Stephen Frears juggles various plotlines with assurance, reminding us that beneath the surface there are serious notions about how celebrity culture makes people feel. **TJ** (UK 2010, swearing, a sex scene, brief nudity, HD)

PICK OF THE REST...

Rugrats in Paris: the Movie ★★★
6.20-7.40am **C4** U
Appealing animated tale. (2000, HD)

Hotel for Dogs ★★★
9.05-11.05am **C4** U
Orphans care for canine strays. (2008, HD)

Grounded ★★ *10.00-11.50am* **C5** PG
Home Alone in an airport. (2006)

Kung Fu Panda 3 ★★★
10.40am-12.05pm **BBC1** PG
Po meets his long-lost father. (2016, HD)

Small Soldiers ★★★
11.05am-1.10pm **C4** PG
Action Man-type toys go to war. (1998, HD)

Seven Brides for Seven Brothers ★★★★★
12.45-2.55pm **C5** U
Classic musical with Howard Keel. (1954, HD)

A Christmas Carol ★★★
1.10-3.15pm **C4** U
George C Scott has no time for Yule in this atmospheric adaptation. (1984, HD)

Santa Claus ★★ *2.40-4.45pm* **ITV** U
Dudley Moore plays a wayward elf. (1985, HD)

Scrooged ★★★ *5.00-7.00pm* **Syfy** 12
Bill Murray is at his wicked best. (1988)

P The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part ★★★★
8.00-10.00pm **Sky Premiere** U
See review, page 138. (2019, HD)

Happy Gilmore ★★
4.00-5.35am **C5** 12
Slapstick Adam Sandler comedy. (1996, HD)

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FAMILY FILM OF THE DAY

P Finding Dory ★★★★★

3.10-4.40pm **BBC1** U

ADVENTURE It's hard to fathom that the first wave of digital animators and compositors found hair, flesh and water tricky to translate using noughts and ones. Pixar's *Finding Nemo* wasn't the first to meaningfully mimic the distorting effects and fluid movement of saline H_2O in 2003, but it led a new technological wave. *Nemo's* undersea quest saga was a box-office smash and the team was reassembled under director Andrew Stanton for 2016's *Finding Dory*, in which clownfish Marlin (voiced by Albert Brooks) and Nemo (Hayden Rolence) accompany amnesiac blue tang Dory (Ellen DeGeneres) on a search for her parents, during which she ends up in captivity at the Marine Life Institute. (Capture and escape are central to many of the best Pixar movies.) It at least matches *Nemo* for jeopardy and visual finesse, while a myopic whale shark, a crotchety octopus and slothful sea lions join the fun. (US 2016, HD)

DID YOU KNOW?
The truck number plate CALA113 is a reference to A113, the room at the California Institute of the Arts where many Pixar alumni studied

DAYTIME

Junior ★★★

10.20am-12.35pm **5STAR** PG

COMEDY Showing with *Twins* as part of an Arnold Schwarzenegger double bill (see Pick of the Rest, right), this romp reunites Arnie with Danny DeVito and director Ivan Reitman, and again shows the lighter side of the action-movie superstar. Schwarzenegger and DeVito play medical researchers working on a new fertility drug. When they lose their grant, in desperation Schwarzenegger injects himself with the experimental solution and, lo and behold, ends up pregnant. It's pretty much a one-joke concept, but Reitman milks it for all it's worth, and DeVito and Schwarzenegger look like they're having a ball. Only Emma Thompson as a fellow scientist and love interest looks out of place in an underwritten role. **JF** (US 1994, swearing)

Ice Age ★★★

10.40am-12.15pm **C4** U

ADVENTURE Pity poor *Ice Age*. If it hadn't been released so close to the excellent *Monsters, Inc*, it may have avoided excessive scrutiny. But with the Pixar hit illustrating how good computer animation can be, this similarly created adventure isn't so much cool as downright tepid. Much of this is due to the plot, in which a moody mammoth, a slow-thinking sloth and a sinister sabre-toothed tiger team up during the Pleistocene era to return a lost human infant to his parents. It's wittily scripted with plenty of banter between the lead characters, voiced by John Leguizamo and Denis Leary among others. But there's insufficient action and excitement to carry such a basic tale while having a snow-covered environment to look at doesn't help either. The style of the animation is equally hard to warm to, all sharp edges and coldness. Overall, this is merely adequate, and it's a miracle that it wasn't instantly forgotten. **SF** (US 2002, HD)

P Moana ★★★★★

12.55-2.30pm **BBC1** PG

ADVENTURE Following in the footsteps of *Brave* and *Frozen*, here's another Disney animated feature that puts a spirited young woman at the heart of the action. Teenager Moana (voiced by Hawaiian actress Auli'i Cravalho) is a future leader of her community but has always been told never to leave the shores of her tropical isle. The sea itself has other ideas, beckoning Moana towards a dangerous journey, shared with shape-shifting demigod Maui (Dwayne Johnson). Directors John Musker and Ron Clements (*The Little Mermaid*, *Aladdin*) here pull off a remarkable feat in matching the musical-led story values of a previous generation with the startling creative possibilities of today's digital technology, while paying tribute to Polynesian culture in a way that's inclusive rather than tokenistic. With a captivating heroine and an array of gods and monsters, this brings together the best of Disney past and present. Repeated tonight on BBC2. **TJ** (US 2016, HD)

Scrooge ★★

2.30-4.30pm **BBC2** U

MUSICAL An overly made-up Albert Finney stars in this adaptation of the Dickens tale and gives the impression he'd be happier somewhere other than on the palpably phoney Shepperton sets. Only Alec Guinness really registers, playing Jacob Marley's ghost, and director Ronald Neame oversees matters with the heaviest of hands. However, there's some compensation in watching fine twilight-year performances from Dame Edith Evans and Kenneth More as the Ghosts of Christmas Past and Present. **TS** (UK 1970)

Back to the Future ★★★★★

2.35-4.55pm **C4** PG

ADVENTURE This irresistible combination of dazzling effects and sly comedy propelled Michael J Fox to stardom and Robert Zemeckis to the front rank of Hollywood directors. And time has not robbed it of its vitality. Fox plays the student who travels back to the 1950s and acts as matchmaker for his future parents. It's beautifully played by the cast (Christopher Lloyd, Lea Thompson and Crispin Glover), and makes the most of an ingenious script from Bob Gale and Zemeckis that pokes fun at 50s icons and lifestyles between the bouts of time-travelling. The sequel is on on New Year's Day. **JF** (US 1985, edited for violence, language, HD)

Oliver! ★★★★

3.10-6.15pm **C5** U

MUSICAL In this popular film version of Lionel Bart's musical, Ron Moody – top-billed and Oscar-nominated as Fagin – brings a wealth of Petticoat Lane wit, wisdom and magnificence to the role he had created on stage. Meanwhile, Oliver Reed brings brooding menace to the part of Bill Sikes. The film collected six Oscars, including best picture and best director (Carol Reed), and there's no denying that the Academy recognition for sound and art direction is well and truly justified. Today, it works well as a child's introduction to Dickens, and adults can enjoy Shani Wallis's Nancy, Jack Wild's impish Artful Dodger, and Onna White's Broadway choreography. **TS** (UK 1968, HD)

Spartacus ★★★★★

4.10-8.00pm **ITV4** PG

EPIC Director Stanley Kubrick's much-lauded historical epic, starring Kirk Douglas as the slave-turned-gladiator who leads a revolt against the might of the Romans, has come to be regarded as a classic of its genre. Despite the film's length and overemphasis on wordy speeches from Douglas (the film's executive producer), the action leading up to the revolt of the gladiators is brilliantly re-created, with Peter Ustinov, Charles Laughton and Laurence Olivier (as the Romans) addictively greedy scene-stealers. Sadly, Kubrick later disowned the picture because he regarded himself as a hired hand. **AT** (US 1960, violence, HD)

Dances with Wolves ★★★★★

5.25-9.00pm **5Spike** 15

WESTERN Kevin Costner's directorial debut, the first western to win the best picture Oscar for 60 years, is a heartfelt attempt to create a frontier epic and to atone for Hollywood's shameful depiction of native American life. Costner plays a Civil War hero who befriends the Sioux Indians and marries Stands with a Fist (Mary McDonnell). Although the film is three hours long, Costner directs with a clear passion, and in so doing proves that westerns can still work if their heart is in the right place, the characters are real, and the cinematography is stunning – take a bow Dean Semler, another winner of one of the seven Oscars awarded to Costner and co. **DP** (US 1990, violence, language, sex scenes, HD)

How to Train Your Dragon ★★★★

6.00-7.55pm **E4** PG

ADVENTURE Cressida Cowell's children's book gets an exciting animated adaptation here from co-writers/directors Chris Sanders and Dean DeBlois (*Lilo & Stitch*). Teenager Hiccup (Jay Baruchel) belongs to a Viking tribe that sees dragons as their enemy. But Hiccup is a secret dragon-whisperer and, when he helps a Night Fury dragon nicknamed Toothless, he sets a new course for his family and friends. The film's amusing script boasts strong characters, is poignant where it counts and is consistently cute, while the flying sequences – such as a dazzling trip through the Northern Lights – are as stunning as the equally spectacular battles. **AJ** (US 2010, HD)

P How to Train Your Dragon: the Hidden World ★★★★

6.00-8.00pm **Sky1** PG

ADVENTURE The third and apparently final film to be adapted from Cressida Cowell's book series is as visually sumptuous and fun as the first two instalments. The story finds our hero Hiccup (Jay Baruchel), his fellow Vikings and their "pet" dragons coming up against a vicious dragonslayer who wants Toothless dead. A subplot about dragon courtship rituals – a beguiling mix of ballet and slapstick – furnishes the film with fun moments, while the starry voice cast finds Cate Blanchett joined by F Murray Abraham as the villain. Aside from some modest peril, this should appeal to all but the most sensitive of little souls. **DA** (US 2019, HD)

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FILM OF THE DAY

Jurassic World ★★★★

8.00-10.30pm ***ITV2*** 12

DID YOU KNOW? Early versions of the script involved a drug dealer-hunting Deinonychus, dinos on mainland America, and the return of Sam Neill

SCI-FI ADVENTURE Taking *Jurassic Park* back to its theme-park roots, this wham-bang sequel – set 22 years after the technical/moral hiccups of the 1993 original – sees the franchise going super-sized. For all its prehistoric precedent, *Jurassic Park* was always postmodern, presenting a fictional, branded, mercenarily voracious theme park already festooned with merchandise (those lunchboxes and pencil sets would, out in the real world, be available for sale). Once the first cycle of films ran their course, *Jurassic World* saw the island attraction reopen for business. The park is more of the same, with two new kids thrown in for jeopardy (nephews of workaholic operations manager Bryce Dallas Howard); a new – and bigger – hybrid-osaurus gone rogue; and Chris Pratt as a hunky, motorbikin' raptor trainer. Follow-up *Fallen Kingdom* (showing tomorrow on Sky Action) was big on heartbreaking human interference, but left a bad taste despite its best conservationist intentions. You can catch up with the first trilogy from tomorrow on ITV2. (US 2015, violence, HD)



EVENING

The Amazing Mr Blunden ★★★

7.00-9.00pm ***Talking Pictures TV*** U

MYSTERY In his later years, character actor Lionel Jeffries had a secondary career as a director of films made for and about young people, notably *The Railway Children*. This period ghost story by Antonia Barber is also perfectly suitable for adult viewing. There's much to enjoy, especially the performances of Laurence Naismith in the title role and the splendid Diana Dors as Mrs Wickens – gross, warty and every young child's nightmare. Dorothy Alison, James Villiers and Graham Crowden – so memorable in 1990s sitcom *Waiting for God* – turn in good work, too. **TS** (UK 1972)

The Beatles: Eight Days a Week – the Touring Years ★★★★

9.00-11.10pm ***More4*** 12

DOCUMENTARY The most celebrated and scrutinised group in music history once more falls under the spotlight in Ron Howard's suitably fab film. Focusing on the period from 1962 to the Beatles' final bow at San Francisco's Candlestick Park in August '66, the film captures all the excitement, antipathy and exhaustion of the band's years on the road. It's a story that has been anthologised more comprehensively elsewhere, but the fan-shot footage and some surprisingly underused newsreel bring a welcome freshness to those familiar career milestones. The input of Paul and Ringo reaffirms the Beatles' brotherly bonds, journalist Larry Kane recalls the dangers of being part of the touring entourage, and the likes of Sigourney Weaver share their experiences of being at the shows. As a record of the roller-coaster years before they retreated into the studio, this is a must-see for every Beatles fan. **JH** (US/UK 2016, swearing, drug references, col/BW, HD)

The Duchess ★★★

10.10-11.55pm ***BBC4*** 12

DRAMA Much has been made of the parallels between the lives of Georgiana, Duchess of Devonshire (1757-1806), and her descendant Diana, Princess of Wales. Both were young newlyweds when they entered high society, and both were required to please a devoted public and a cheating husband. Thankfully, this is not a frivolous adaptation of the bestselling biography by Amanda Foreman, and Keira Knightley displays great dignity in portraying Georgiana's frustration with her lot. Still, it's disappointing that director Saul Dibb only skims the surface of the lady's political life, while Ralph Fiennes, as her philandering husband, comes across as something of a pantomime villain. **SP** (UK/Fr/It/US 2008, sex scenes, brief nudity)

Dracula ★★★★★

11.00pm-12.35am ***Horror Channel*** 15

HORROR Bram Stoker's terrifying vampire creation becomes a modern classic in the adept hands of the House of Hammer. The film was epoch-making in its impact, thanks to the fabulous gothic atmosphere, Terence Fisher's stylish direction and the fact that the undead tale was shot in gory colour for the very first time. Christopher Lee's interpretation of Dracula is astonishingly fresh, heroic and powerful, while Peter Cushing makes an ideal Van Helsing. The latter's climactic battle with his bloodsucking nemesis is justly acclaimed as a magic movie moment in the history and development of the horror genre. **AJ** (UK 1958, violence)

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In the Line of Fire ★★★★

11.25pm-2.05am ***Sony Movies*** 15

THRILLER A sight you thought you'd never see: Clint Eastwood in tears. Not many, but they're there. And that's just one of the novelties in this hugely enjoyable thriller in which Eastwood plays a Secret Service agent who is not only visibly ageing – a fact that he admits to his younger lover, Rene Russo – but is also shamed by his past inability to save President Kennedy from assassination. That's why he's so obsessed with the would-be killer of the current First Executive. The Oscar-nominated John Malkovich makes an admirable adversary, taunting Eastwood in much the same manner that Scorpio did in *Dirty Harry*, While director Wolfgang Petersen piles on the suspense with ruthless skill. **TH** (US 1993, violence, swearing)

LATE NIGHT

Four Christmases ★★

11.40pm-1.10am ***ITV*** 12

COMEDY Vince Vaughn and Reese Witherspoon star in this festive offering about a happily unmarried couple who re-evaluate their relationship when forced to split their Christmas Day between all four of their divorced parents. Sissy Spacek and Robert Duvall play Vaughn's mum and dad, while Mary Steenburgen and Jon Voight are Witherspoon's. The strength of this supporting cast should guarantee some laughs, yet all four actors are criminally underused by director Seth Gordon. His emphasis on slapstick earns a few cheap ho-ho-hos but, generally, these *Four Christmases* are not so merry. **DA** (US/Ger 2008, some swearing, sexual references, HD)

My Old Lady ★★★

12.35-2.15am ***BBC1*** 12

COMEDY DRAMA Maggie Smith capitalises on the success of TV's *Downton Abbey* in this comedic drama, playing another wealthy old dowager. Kevin Kline is the New Yorker who journeys to Paris to take possession of the home bequeathed to him by his father, only to discover Smith's ageing tenant still living there. The pair have excellent chemistry while Kristin Scott Thomas is on good form as Smith's brittle but attractive daughter. Skeletons tumble out of the closet in rather a clumsy fashion, so it's just as well that writer/director Israel Horovitz has managed to attract a refined cast who are able to put some meat on those old bones. **SP** (US/Fr/UK 2014, HD)

Slumdog Millionaire ★★★★

1.00-3.05am ***C4*** 15

DRAMA Shot almost entirely on the streets of Mumbai, director Danny Boyle's rags-to-riches tale dazzles and delights from the start. Dev Patel plays the title "slumdog", a poverty-stricken orphan who's just one correct answer away from the *Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?* jackpot of 20 million rupees as the police are brought in. During his interrogation, episodes from his life unfold, revealing that each quiz question relates to a different incident. Patel is an appealing lead and he is ably supported by Freida Pinto as his love interest. But the real star is Mumbai itself, which is brought to exuberant life throughout. **AS** (UK 2008, violence, swearing, HD)

PICK OF THE REST...

Rugrats Go Wild ★★
6.15-7.35am ***C4*** U
Fast-moving cartoon romp. (2003, HD)

Rise of the Guardians ★★★★
7.15-8.40am ***BBC2*** PG
Jack Frost leads a band of heroes. (2012, HD)

A Christmas Carol ★★
9.25-11.10am ***ITV*** PG
Jim Carrey plays Scrooge. (2009, HD)

Twins ★★★★
12.35-2.45pm ***5STAR*** PG
None-too-subtle but fun comedy. (1988, HD)

Scrooge ★★★★★ *1.25-3.10pm* ***C5*** U
See Saturday Film of the Day, p71.

Home Alone 2: Lost in New York ★★★ *4.55-7.10pm* ***C4*** PG
Macaulay Culkin does it again. (1992, HD)

Carry On Up the Khyber ★★★★
7.15-9.00pm ***ITV3*** PG
Fun comedy romp. Just one of 15 *Carry On* films on ITV3 from today. (1968)

P Mary Poppins Returns ★★★
8.00-10.15pm ***Sky Premiere*** U
See review, page 156. (2018, HD)

Les Misérables ★★★
9.00pm-12.05am ***Paramount Network*** 12
Hugh Jackman plays Valjean. (2012, HD)

My Best Friend's Wedding ★★★★
9.30-11.40pm ***W*** 12
Hilarious romantic comedy. (1997, HD)

Event Horizon ★★★
11.30pm-1.30am ***Syfy*** 18
Gruesome but gripping sci-fi horror. (1997)

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FAMILY FILM OF THE DAY

Paddington 2 ★★★★★

7.20-9.00pm **BBC1** PG

COMEDY Nostalgia for a simpler, quieter world has, I think, been the turbine behind Paddington Bear's Bafta-nominated revival as a viable big-screen franchise. The first two films have grossed nearly $500 million under the dream team of *Harry Potter* producer David Heyman and writer/director Paul King, who previously worked on *The Mighty Boosh*. A luscious prologue in Peru sets up the story of a now house-trained Paddington's wish to buy a beautiful pop-up book for his Aunt Lucy's 100th birthday. When events conspire against him and he winds up in prison, the outlook looks grim. But wherever our ursine protagonist is dropped, joy and mischief follow, thanks to Ben Whishaw's voice acting and some spectacular set pieces – notably a chase involving two steam trains. Hugh Grant was robbed of a Bafta as foppishly self-centred thespian Phoenix Buchanan, the villain of the story. (UK/Fr 2017, HD)

Feature, p17; Hugh Grant: a Life on Screen, see TV Choice, p120

DID YOU KNOW?
Discussing *Paddington 2* in a *Vanity Fair* interview, Hugh Grant said, "I genuinely believe it may be the best film I've ever been in"



DAYTIME

Wreck-It Ralph ★★★

10.25am-12 noon **BBC1** PG

ADVENTURE Disney's variant on themes from Pixar's *Toy Story* is a mixed bag of frantic action, humorous antics and blunted satire pitched squarely at the juvenile. Tired of playing the same role for 30 years in the arcade game Fix-it Felix Jr, the Donkey Kong-style villain of the piece (voiced with winning gruff vulnerability by John C Reilly) abandons his destructive day job and decides to become a hero, inadvertently wreaking havoc as he travels through other games in search of meaning to his pixellated existence. Video-game legends such as Sonic the Hedgehog and Pac-Man add to the chaotic fun and Wreck-It Ralph's game-hopping showcases some witty clashes in style as the heartfelt "Be Yourself" message is pushed relentlessly. **AJ** (US 2012, HD)

Oklahoma! ★★★★

10.50am-1.05pm **BBC2** U

MUSICAL This rousing film version of the massively influential and, in its day, revolutionary Rodgers and Hammerstein musical preserves both the magnificent songs and the key Agnes DeMille choreography. The photography is stunning, particularly in the *Oh, What a Beautiful Morning* opening sequence, where the corn really does look as high as an elephant's eye. Heading the notable cast is the underrated Gordon MacRae as a finely shaded romantic Curly, while Shirley Jones, in her film debut, is superb as Laurey. If Rod Steiger is a shade morose and out of kilter, well, so is his character Jud Fry. Director Fred Zinnemann can't quite manage the pizzazz the movie really needs, and he seriously messes up the stirring title number. But there's still much to enjoy here. **TS** (US 1955, HD)

Guys and Dolls ★★★★

1.05-3.30pm **BBC2** U

MUSICAL When producer Sam Goldwyn set about filming this great Broadway musical, he went after the best dancer he could find, his ideal Sky Masterson, Gene Kelly. Louis B Mayer wouldn't release Kelly to his rival, however, so Goldwyn went for the best actor in the movies. That's how Marlon Brando became the definitive Masterson, singing the Frank Loesser songs himself, cleverly choreographed by Michael Kidd, whose depiction of Broadway is one of the film's highlights. With Jean Simmons waking up to love with *If I Were a Bell*, and Frank Sinatra and Vivian Blaine as Nathan Detroit and his ever-lovin' Adelaide, what more could you want? **TS** (US 1955)

The Boss Baby ★★★

1.50-3.20pm **BBC1** U

COMEDY A newborn in a Brooks Brothers suit battling evil corporations may not be the most likely source for laughs, but this is a witty animation for all the family. Seven-year-old Tim (voiced by Miles Christopher Bakshi and by Tobey Maguire as a grown-up) is horrified when his parents bring home a baby brother (voiced by Alec Baldwin) who can already talk and is dressed for Wall Street. After a fractious start, the siblings team up to save mum and dad (Jimmy Kimmel and Lisa Kudrow) from evil industrialists. Baldwin's wisecracking mini-mogul is essentially a talcum-tushed version of the hard-nosed TV network exec he played in the sitcom *30 Rock*. The family values slant is a tad mawkish, not that it detracts from the riotous chuckles. **TeS** (US 2017, HD)

The Jungle Book ★★★★

3.45-5.25pm **BBC1** PG

ADVENTURE Director Jon Favreau's jaw-dropping jungle adventure returns to the original Rudyard Kipling novel as a source to enchant a new generation. He follows orphaned "man cub" Mowgli (Neel Sethi), who was raised in the jungle by wolves but whose continued survival is thrown into jeopardy by the sinister tiger Shere Khan (voiced by Idris Elba). Favreau creates a gorgeous film that finds magic and wonder in the Oscar-winning, CGI-enabled action (rather than the original's song-and-dance numbers). The superbly chosen voice cast puts a fresh spin on familiar scenes. Bill Murray seems born to play the sarcastic, good-natured Baloo, while Elba's Shere Khan is a more ferocious villain than we've seen in the past. **JL** (US 2016, HD)

Ratatouille ★★★★

5.00-7.10pm **C4** U

COMEDY In this Oscar winner for best animated feature, a country rat with a gift for *haute cuisine* ends up saving the bacon of the garbage boy at Paris's finest restaurant. Together, they set out to fulfil each other's culinary dreams. Though it's a wee bit on the long side, this fast-moving, wholesome comedy nevertheless has some absolutely brilliant comic turns, the highlight being Peter O'Toole as Anton Ego, the tough, bitter food critic. Working with a tight, well-judged script and sensational animation that makes you want to go home and cook, director Brad Bird delivered the best family comedy of that year. **KK** (US 2007, HD)

Cool Runnings ★★★★

5.15-7.00pm **C5** PG

SPORTS COMEDY If someone had invented the story of a Jamaican bobsleigh team entering the Olympics, they'd have been laughed out of the room. But, as the story is true and Disney knows how to produce feel-good material better than most, what results is a hugely entertaining comedy that's guaranteed to have you cheering on the underdogs. Michael Ritchie co-wrote the story on which the film is based, no doubt drawing on his directorial experiences of winter sports – *Downhill Racer* – and sporting no-hopers – *The Bad News Bears*. It's a little predictable and patronising at times, but the eager performances of John Candy and his charges carry the day. Also on New Year's Day. **DP** (US 1993, edited for violence, language, HD)

EVENING

Jurassic Park ★★★★★

6.25-9.00pm **ITV2** PG

ADVENTURE Steven Spielberg soared to new heights with this massively successful adventure adapted from Michael Crichton's bestseller. The world's ultimate theme park, featuring genetically re-created dinosaurs, is about to open and owner Richard Attenborough decides to give a sneak preview to scientists Sam Neill and Laura Dern. However, all is not well in the jungle. T rex and his chums are the undoubted stars of the show, and the mix of CGI and models is truly inspiring. Spielberg orchestrates the action with effortless verve and, although it's too long and full of loose ends, only the most Scrooge-like viewer will fail to be transfixed by the thrilling action and the sheer scale of the director's vision. For more marauding dinos, see the first two sequels tomorrow and Saturday. **JF** (US 1993, includes scenes that may be disturbing for children, may be edited for language, HD)

The Magic Box ★★★★

6.50-9.00pm **Talking Pictures TV** U

PERIOD DRAMA This biopic of William Friese-Greene is more a piece of wishful thinking than an accurate portrait of Britain's pre-eminent cinema pioneer. So what if Friese-Greene failed in his attempt to project moving images, and who cares if he "borrowed" many of his ideas from forgotten collaborators like John Rudge and Mortimer Evans? This is charming and thoroughly entertaining myth-making, made all the more palatable by the engaging performance of Robert Donat. Yet he was just one of the array of stars John Boulting roped into this prestigious project, chief among the others being Laurence Olivier as an inquisitive policeman. **DP** (UK 1951)

Men in Black 3 ★★★★

7.10-9.00pm **C4** PG

SCI-FI After a disappointing second instalment in 2002, the men in black are back on form in this madcap caper. Here, Agent J (Will Smith) is forced to jump back to 1969 to keep partner K (Tommy Lee Jones) from getting killed by an alien fugitive (a truly flesh-crawling Jemaine Clement) and set the stage for an action-packed and charming buddy movie. Smith is, as always, wisecrackingly cool as J and Jones is his usual curmudgeonly self. But it's Josh Brolin who really lights up the screen with a rib-tickling tour de force as K's younger incarnation. **SP** (US 2012, edited for content, HD)

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FILM OF THE DAY

Skyfall ★★★★★

8.30-11.10pm **ITV** 12

ADVENTURE With the 25th James Bond, *No Time to Die*, slated for an April 2020 release, let's return to Daniel Craig's third and arguably best 007 outing. Winning two Oscars, for sound editing and Adele's belting theme song, it became the all-time highest-grossing Bond film and topped the 2012 UK box office in the year Craig and Her Majesty parachuted into the Olympics – a time when we all seemed to like each other. Now that the dust has settled, I believe *Skyfall* still stands up as a series high point, despite that disappointingly untidy London Underground stunt. There's a hot-button cyber-terrorism plot (whose topicality is all-too evident when you watch the TV news), Javier Bardem delivering a memorably homoerotic villain who blows up MI6, and a mini-break at Bond's family pile in Scotland. Under serious-minded director Sam Mendes, the result is dark, paranoid and grave. (US/UK 2012, violence, swearing, HD)

DID YOU KNOW?
While filming, Judi Dench had the James Bond theme tune set as her phone ringtone, for which she was mercilessly teased



The Shawshank Redemption

★★★★★ *9.00-11.45pm* **Sky1** 15

DRAMA Based on Stephen King's story *Rita Hayworth and Shawshank Redemption*, this deeply moving film from first-time director Frank Darabont is one of the best adaptations of the novelist's work. Tim Robbins plays a banker sent to Shawshank State Prison for murdering his wife and her lover. His existence only improves when he befriends a fellow lifer, played by Morgan Freeman. Under Darabont's inspired direction, both rise to the challenge of portraying world-weary dignity, while the severity of the prison system is underlined in the poignant performance of James Whitmore as a veteran convict trying to make it on parole, but ill-equipped to do so. **AJ** (US 1994, violence, swearing, nudity, HD)

The Woman in Black ★★★

10.55pm-1.00am **C5** 12

HORROR A classy if cliché-ridden ghost story from Hammer, this is a reminder of the studio's Gothic horror heyday. Efficiently adapted by Jane Goldman (*Kick-Ass*) from Susan Hill's popular novel (the basis for the long-running West End stage hit), it follows a grieving solicitor (Daniel Radcliffe) as he uncovers the secret of a community haunted by child mortality. Complete with every staple ingredient of the classic spine-tingler – an old dark house, sea fog, creepy curse, faces at windows, superstitious locals – this is a handsomely mounted synthesis of the Victorian penny-dreadful. *Eden Lake* director James Watkins does a fine job re-creating the Hammer mood while nimbly chasing shadowy scares via loud noises and close-up shock cuts. The melodrama creaks as much as the nursery rocking chair, but the resolution adds a bittersweet twist. **AJ** (UK 2011, HD)

Susan Hill feature, p38

Florence Foster Jenkins ★★★★★

11.00pm-12.45am **BBC2** PG

COMEDY DRAMA A heart-warming tribute to the American socialite who wanted an operatic career but couldn't sing a note, this biopic is a compelling rumination on the powers of self-delusion. Stephen Frears (*Philomena*) strikes the right balance between humour and pathos, with Meryl Streep triumphant as the diva who hired Carnegie Hall in 1944 to showcase her "talent". Hugh Grant also gives one of his best performances as Jenkins's husband, who stops at nothing to keep critics away to guarantee his wife isn't turned into a laughing stock. Cringe-worthy and uplifting, this look at the wannabe crooner is hugely entertaining. **AJ** (US/UK 2016, some swearing, HD)

The Wolf of Wall Street ★★★★★

11.05pm-2.15am **C4** 18

BLACK COMEDY Martin Scorsese's fifth collaboration with Leonardo DiCaprio is an exhilarating story of decadence and debauchery, charting the rise and fall of New York finance executive Jordan Belfort. It's a story made all the more thrilling by DiCaprio's performance and, around him, Scorsese has assembled a sterling cast, notably Jonah Hill as Belfort's sidekick. Unusually for a Scorsese movie, the tone is flat-out black comedy, with farcical X-rated laughs, most of them coming from Belfort's various sex and substance addictions, which perfectly offset the savagely funny, *Sopranos*-style dialogue. **DW** (US 2013, violence, swearing, sex scenes, drug abuse, nudity, HD)

LATE NIGHT

On Golden Pond ★★★★

11.10pm-1.30am **Paramount Network** PG

DRAMA Nominated for ten Oscars, this old-fashioned family melodrama won three – best adapted screenplay for Ernest Thompson and, more notably, Katharine Hepburn's fourth award for best actress and Henry Fonda's first as best actor. Considering neither was in the best of health, their performances are remarkable. The quiet authority of their acting is all the more apparent in their scenes with Jane Fonda, who overdoes the angst, particularly when opposite the father with whom she occasionally disagreed in real life. Complementing the subtle shades of performance are cinematographer Billy Williams's superb images, using to dramatic effect the changing light of the countryside in summer. **DP** (US 1981, some swearing, HD)

Lucy ★★★ *11.40pm-1.25am* **Film4** 15

ADVENTURE Director Luc Besson delivers a crazy-quilt collision of *Limitless* and *2001: a Space Odyssey* as Scarlett Johansson's American abroad is forced to act as a drug mule for crime boss Mr Jang (*Oldboy's* Choi Min-sik). She accidentally ingests the substance, causing her cerebral capabilities to expand towards the godlike, and the increasingly super-powered Lucy struggles to hang on to her humanity. This is not a patch on Besson's best work – *Nikita*, *Leon* – and Johansson is more brainbox than action star (unlike her Black Widow, whose first solo film hits cinemas in May). It's barmy stuff, but there are plenty of thrills as action clichés are upended. **JA** (Fr 2014, violence, HD)

The Entertainer ★★★

12.45-2.25am **BBC2** PG

DRAMA This is the cinema version of one of the Royal Court Theatre's most notable achievements: playwright John Osborne's follow-up to his ground-breaking *Look Back in Anger*. The show brought Laurence Olivier to the world of kitchen-sink drama, and dragged West End audiences off to Sloane Square to see Olivier's stunning performance as music-hall has-been Archie Rice, a seedy vaudeville artist who brings misery to all who know him. Archie Rice is actually a third-rate ham and, sadly, little in Olivier's screen incarnation could allow him to be that. The film flopped at the box office, yet now can be viewed as an enduring record of that great stage production. It also boasts the screen debuts of Alan Bates and Albert Finney. **TS** (UK 1960, BW)

The Best Man Holiday ★★★

2.15-4.20am **C4** 15

COMEDY DRAMA This belated sequel to 1999's *The Best Man* revolves around an author (Taye Diggs) who is persuaded to write a biography of an NFL star (Morris Chestnut). Struggling financially and with a baby on the way, the former accepts an invitation to a Christmas get-together at the latter's mansion. The drama is effective, though the narrative is predictable. Moreover, the film embraces cliché too often and the attempts at farcical humour feel jarring. Thankfully, though, there are enough heart-warming moments to compensate. **SC** (US 2013, swearing, HD)

PICK OF THE REST...

The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie
★★★★ *8.20-10.05am* **C4** U
The cult hero takes his film bow. (2004, HD)

The Good Dinosaur ★★★★
9.00-10.25am **BBC1** PG
A dinosaur befriends a caveboy. (2015, HD)

Beethoven ★★★★
9.35-11.25am **C5** U
A St Bernard dog causes chaos (1992, HD)

The Boxtrolls ★★★
10.05am-12 noon **C4** PG
Appealing stop-motion adventure. (2014, HD)

Wyatt Earp ★★★★
12.55-4.40pm **C5** 12
Kevin Costner plays the lawman. (1994, HD)

Groundhog Day ★★★★★
2.15-4.20pm **Sony Movies** PG
Fabulous comedy fantasy. (1993)

Ella Enchanted ★★★
3.00-4.55pm **W** PG
Stylish *Cinderella* makeover. (2004, HD)

Porridge ★★★ *5.30-7.00pm* **BBC2** PG
Affable TV sitcom spin-off. (1979, HD)

The Mask ★★★★★
6.55-9.00pm **5STAR** PG
Stunning Jim Carrey fantasy. (1994, HD)

The Simpsons Movie ★★★★
7.15-9.00pm **E4** PG
Homer causes a catastrophe. (2007, HD)

P Avengers: Endgame ★★★★
8.00-11.00pm **Sky Premiere** 12
See review, page 166. (2019, HD)

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FILM OF THE DAY

P The Limehouse Golem ★★★★

9.30-11.15pm **BBC2** 15



MURDER MYSTERY Jane Goldman continues to amass a fine body of screenwriting work, often in cahoots with Matthew Vaughn, running from *Stardust* and *Kick-Ass* to the *X-Men* and *Kingsman* films. *The Limehouse Golem*, based on Peter Aykroyd's 1994 book, satisfied Goldman's gothic tendency: a bloodthirstily Victorian murder yarn, ladled with gore, and anchored by a stately performance from Bill Nighy's Inspector Kildare. The fictional killings are woven into the lives of real figures including Karl Marx (played by Henry Goodman) and music-hall sensation Dan Leno (Douglas Booth). Olivia Cooke, Eddie Marsan and Daniel Mays plump up a nice cast and, unless you're squeamish, you'll savour the strong, fetid aroma of *Ripper Street*. (UK 2016, violence, sex scenes, nudity, HD)

DID YOU KNOW?
The film's vision of 1800s London was inspired by the artwork of, among others, John Atkinson Grimshaw and William Blake

Raiders of the Lost Ark ★★★★★

1.25-3.15pm **BBC1** PG

ADVENTURE Harrison Ford's first outing as intrepid archaeologist Indiana Jones finds him taking on the Nazis as he searches Egypt for the fabled Ark of the Covenant. A wonderful action yarn that rattles along with wit, invention and the raw spirit of true adventure, it birthed a franchise, which can be seen on BBC1 over the coming nights. **AJ** (US 1981, edited for content, HD)

Zootropolis ★★★★★

3.15-4.55pm **BBC1** PG

COMEDY This Disney animation is set in a world of talking animals that have risen above their base instincts to coexist in harmony. Ginnifer Goodwin voices a bunny police officer who is forced to team up with a wily fox (Jason Bateman) to investigate a spate of missing animals. The animation is packed with sight gags, but the real vitality is in the smart and funny writing. **WI** (US 2016, HD)

Rogue One ★★★★

8.00-10.40pm **ITV2** 12

SCI-FI More rebels do battle against the Empire in this standalone chapter in the *Star Wars* saga. Felicity Jones plays feisty and likeable heroine Jyn Erso, whose father reluctantly helped design the Death Star and who now plans to steal the blueprints to prevent any further evil. Diego Luna and Riz Ahmed offer terrific support as Jones's fellow freedom fighters. **TeS** (US 2016, violence, HD)
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Love Actually ★★★

10.10pm-12.30am **ITV** 15

ROMANTIC COMEDY This ensemble effort from Richard Curtis may be guilty of spreading its stellar acting talent a bit thin, but it's hard not to fall for its charms. Bill Nighy's turn as an over-the-hill rocker promoting a novelty record really delivers the laughs. **JC** (UK/US/Fr 2003, swearing, sex scenes, nudity, HD)

Ant-Man ★★★

11.00pm-12.50am **BBC1** 12

ADVENTURE In this light-hearted Marvel movie, Michael Douglas recruits ex-con Paul Rudd to don his Ant-Man suit to help stop the invention being used for nefarious purposes. As Rudd takes on the mantle of the miniature hero, it's jesting not jousting that wins out here. **JA** (US 2015, some swearing, HD)

PICK OF THE REST...

How to Train Your Dragon 2

★★★★ *9.40-11.10am* **BBC1** PG

Compelling animated sequel. (2014, HD)

Short Circuit ★★★

10.50am-12.45pm **C4** PG

A government robot goes AWOL. (1986, HD)

Evil under the Sun ★★★

11.20am-1.15pm **BBC2** PG

Peter Ustinov is Hercule Poirot. (1982, HD)

Father of the Bride Part 2 ★★

12.05-2.20pm **C5** PG

Steve Martin is doubly expectant. (1995, HD)

Jack Frost ★★ *1.40-3.35pm* ITV PG

Sent back as a snowman. (1998, HD)

Becoming Jane ★★★/Emma ★★★★ *2.15-6.00pm* BBC2 PG

A Jane Austen double bill. (2006/1996, HD)

Sister Act ★★★★/Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit/★★★

2.20-6.30pm **C5** PG

Whoopi Goldberg stars. (1992/1993, HD)

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ANDREW COLLINS

FILM OF THE DAY

DID YOU KNOW?
The film has five extra scenes that play during and after the credits, the most of any of the movies in the Marvel Cinematic Universe

P Guardians of the Galaxy Vol 2

★★★★ *8.30-11.05pm* **ITV** 12



SCI-FI ADVENTURE Before anyone could accuse the Marvel Cinematic Universe of an overreliance on various Avengers, *Guardians of the Galaxy* brought welcome eccentricity to the table on its release in 2014. A cocksure *Vol 2* (a reference to the motif of a series of mix tapes) followed in 2017 with the same director, the briefly toxic James Gunn – now reinstated by Disney after some argy-bargy about unsavoury Tweets. Our motley, multi-species crew seeks out interstellar trouble rather than waiting for it to happen. The sequel retains the original's funky, steampunk charm, embodied by the galactically likeable Chris Pratt. In *Vol 2*, he meets his father (Kurt Russell), who teaches him celestial powers, while his green-skinned love interest (Zoe Saldana) uncovers some dark secrets. Laughs are provided by Dave Bautista and Bradley Cooper (voice only) and another hits-of-yesteryear soundtrack scores highly. The Sweet's *Fox on the Run*, anyone? (US 2017, violence, swearing, sexual references, HD)

Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom ★★★★

1.10-3.00pm **BBC1** 12

ADVENTURE This follow-up to the rousing *Raiders of the Lost Ark* follows Harrison Ford as he tries to retrieve a mystical stone that will save an Indian village from a dastardly cult. It's a trifle overblown and unsubtle, and Kate Capshaw (the future Mrs Spielberg) is somewhat shrill and screechy as the heroine. But it still has great sets, fun performances and terrific action – the standout sequence being a wild rollercoaster ride through a mine. **AJ** (US 1984, edited for violence, language, HD)

Inside Out ★★★★★

3.00-4.30pm **BBC1** U

ADVENTURE Pixar once again pulls off its classic trick of delivering captivating colourful fun for kids along with wickedly smart insights for grown-ups. The action here takes place within the brain of an ice-hockey-obsessed tomboy, whose inner emotions (voiced by the likes of Amy Poehler, Phyllis Smith and Bill Hader) are thrown into conflict after her family moves from rural Minnesota to San Francisco. The level of conceptual cleverness and ingenious visual design creates real magic in what stands as another masterwork from the animation house. **AJ** (US 2015, HD)

P Alice through the Looking Glass ★★★

6.00-7.45pm **BBC1** PG

FANTASY Although it has little to do with Lewis Carroll's book, this film retains the amusing absurdity and glorious production design of Tim Burton's *Alice in Wonderland*. James Bobin takes over the directorial reins, as Johnny Depp's Hatter looks to Mia Wasikowska's Alice to help him find out what happened to his family years before. While it doesn't all work like a well-oiled machine, kids are likely to take the film as it comes and simply enjoy the ride. **SP** (US 2016, HD)

Mamma Mia! ★★★★

8.00-10.15pm **C5** PG

MUSICAL Adapted from the stage hit, this romantic comedy set to Abba's greatest hits stars Meryl Streep as hotel owner Donna, whose daughter Sophie (Amanda Seyfried) is about to get married on the Greek island where they live. But the wedding is thrown into chaos by the arrival of three of Donna's ex-lovers, played by Pierce Brosnan, Colin Firth and Stellan Skarsgård). The fun here is in watching usually straight actors like Streep and Brosnan singing their hearts out with gusto. Also showing on Saturday 29. **SP** (UK/US 2008, sexual references edited for language, HD)

Baywatch ★★★
9.00-11.20pm **C4** 15

COMEDY This update of the 1990s TV show knows exactly where the strengths of its source material lie. Therefore everything is done with tongue in cheek, as lifeguards Dwayne Johnson and Zac Efron uncover a murderous plot in a crude but often charming popcorn movie. **JL** (US 2017, violence, swearing, sexual references, nudity, HD)

Cape Fear ★★★★
11.15pm-1.25am **ITV** 18

THRILLER Even average Martin Scorsese is light years ahead of most Hollywood fodder. This remake of the Robert Mitchum classic sees Robert De Niro playing an ex-con who torments his former attorney, Nick Nolte. De Niro is over the top but Scorsese only loses his way in a ludicrous crowd-pleasing finale. **JF** (US 1991, violence, swearing, HD)

The Green Mile ★★★
11.20pm-2.35am **C4** 18

FANTASY DRAMA A grossly overlong but masterful fantasy, Frank Darabont's adaptation of Stephen King's novel stars Tom Hanks as a guard who forms a life-affirming friendship with a condemned black prisoner (Michael Clarke Duncan). Suspension of disbelief essential. **DM** (US 1999, violence, swearing, HD)

PICK OF THE REST...

The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian ★★★
1.25-4.15pm **C5** PG

A royal needs help. (2008, HD)

Sunshine on Leith ★★★★
2.25-4.25pm **C4** PG

Lively musical about two soldiers. (2013, HD)

The Ipcress File ★★★★
2.55-4.40pm **BBC2** PG

Michael Caine is spy Harry Palmer. Also on New Year's Day on BBC4. (1965)

Mother's Day ★★
4.25-6.30pm **C4** 12

Sentimental, star-studded comedy. (2016, HD)

The Eagle Has Landed ★★★
4.40-6.50pm **BBC2** 15

A mission to kidnap Churchill. Followed by *The Many Faces of Michael Caine*. (1976, HD)

Snow White and the Huntsman ★★★
6.40-9.00pm **C4** 12

Kristen Stewart makes a stand. (2012, HD)

P Mystify: Michael Hutchence ★★★
9.20-11.00pm **BBC2** 15

Documentary on the INXS frontman. See choice, page 179. (2019, col/BW, HD)

Life on the Road ★★★
12 midnight-1.35am **BBC2** 15

Ricky Gervais is David Brent. (2016, HD)

Internal Affairs ★★★★
12.30-2.20am **BBC1** 18

Is cop Richard Gere corrupt? (1990, HD)

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ANDREW COLLINS

FILM OF THE DAY

P Liam Gallagher: As It Was
★★★★ *10.15-11.40pm* **BBC2** 15

MUSIC DOCUMENTARY As the editor of *Q* magazine during the mid-to-late-90s glory epoch of Oasis, I regularly found myself in the clubbable orbit of Noel and Liam Gallagher before sibling incompatibility tore them apart. The Liam I occasionally bumped into was always sweet and amusing. Never as erudite as his elder brother, he nonetheless emerges well from this authorised portrait, directed by Charlie Lightening and Gavin Fitzgerald. Their documentary takes us to Liam's mum's house, to the One Love concert in Manchester and, in one reconstructed sequence, on a private jet to Palma – an escape from it all during which he posts videos, repeating, "I'm off my coconut". His PA-turned-partner Debbie Gwyther comes across as his saviour, while aesthetes will note the evocatively shot images, like a football floating forlornly in a pool, a glass of Guinness being raised, and so on. Liam is now rehabilitated via two hit solo albums, but beware, he still swears like a trooper. Followed on BBC4 by Mat Whitecross's 2016 Oasis documentary *Supersonic*. (UK 2019, swearing, HD)

DID YOU KNOW?
No Oasis songs are featured in the documentary, as Noel refused to grant the film-makers the rights to use them



P Captain Underpants: the First Epic Movie ★★★★
10.40am-12 noon **BBC1** U

COMEDY Two schoolboy chums (voiced by Kevin Hart and Thomas Middleditch) hypnotise their grumpy principal into believing he's a superhero, in this anarchic animated adaptation of the bestselling child-friendly paperbacks. Masterfully delivering on potty-themed slapstick the kids will love (watch out for the killer turbo-toilet!), it also serves up consistently knowing verbal wit that will have the grown-ups laughing out loud. It's super-dooper-pooper fun for all the family. **TJ** (US 2017, HD)

Saving Mr Banks ★★★★★
3.00-5.00pm **BBC2** PG

DRAMA How did Walt Disney (Tom Hanks) finally convince author PL Travers (Emma Thompson) that her Mary Poppins character was safe in his hands after 20 years of stubborn refusal? This entertaining comedy drama reveals all and the pair's cultural clash proves sharply witty and poignant under John Lee Hancock's spit spot direction. It's a superlative confection of Hollywood dream and backstage legend, dominated by Thompson's stunningly eccentric performance, and lovers of the 1964 family classic will find it irresistible. **AJ** (US/UK/Aus 2013, HD)

Monsters University ★★★★
3.50-5.25pm **BBC1** U

ANIMATED COMEDY This gag-packed prequel takes the heroes of Pixar's *Monsters, Inc* back to their college days, before Mike (voiced by Billy Crystal) and Sulley (John Goodman) became best buddies. Thrown together in a fraternity of misfits, they're set a series of tasks under the watchful eye of Dean Hardscrabble (Helen Mirren) to prove they're worthy of graduating with the scariest of the scarers. Director Dan Scanlon relishes placing the beloved characters in a fresh environment, and Pixar succeeds once more at telling a great story. **TeS** (US 2013, HD)

P Power Rangers ★★★
4.05-6.25pm **C5** 12

ACTION FANTASY There's no originality in sight, but this reboot of the popular 1990s TV show has enough colourful adventure, upbeat action and genial thrills to satisfy its target audience. Five teenage misfits become superheroes when they stumble on a spaceship and discover they must save Earth from an alien threat. Best in its quieter moments where the five bond through personal adversities and learn how to harness their powers, this is an enjoyable enough romp if expectation is dialled down. **AJ** (US 2017, some violence, HD)

Eddie the Eagle ★★★★★
8.00-10.00pm **C4** PG

SPORTS DRAMA They don't come any more feel-good than this fable outlining the trials of Eddie "The Eagle" Edwards, who became an accidental ski-jumping record holder at the 1988 Calgary Winter Olympics. Hugh Jackman is ace as Eddie's alcoholic trainer but it's Taron Egerton in the title role that gives this biopic mass appeal. **AJ** (UK/US/Ger 2016, sexual references edited for violence, language, HD)

Knocked Up ★★★★
10.45pm-1.00am **ITV** 15

ROMANTIC COMEDY Another bold barrel of laughs from writer/director Judd Apatow, this sees Seth Rogen's harmless pothead impregnating Katherine Heigl's career girl during a one-night stand. Thanks to quality repartee between the two, *Knocked Up* proves that hit comedy doesn't have to dumb down for its demographic. **AC** (US 2007, swearing, sex scenes, drug abuse, HD)

P How to Talk to Girls at Parties ★★★
11.45pm-1.50am **Film4** 15

SCI-FI Neil Gaiman's wry short story is turned into a bubbly riot by director John Cameron Mitchell, who abandons any sense of realism for this story of an alien cult in 70s London. Nicole Kidman plays the queen of Croydon's punk scene, while Elle Fanning wanders in from her space tribe in search of earthly kicks. Daft but amiably anarchic. **DW** (UK/US 2017, swearing, drug abuse, HD)

PICK OF THE REST...

Monsters vs Aliens ★★★★
9.15-10.40am **BBC1** PG

Freaks of nature turn heroes. (2009, HD)

Hulk ★★★
12.30-3.10pm **C4** 12

Eric Bana goes green with rage. (2003, HD)

The King and I ★★★★
1.20-4.05pm **C5** U

Enchanting musical. (1956, HD)

Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade ★★★★★
1.50-3.50pm **BBC1** PG

Indy teams up with his dad. (1989, HD)

The Core ★★★
3.10-5.45pm **C4** 12

Well-paced disaster movie. (2002, HD)

The Lego Movie ★★★★
6.00-8.00pm **Sky1** U

Awesome animated comedy. (2014, HD)

Fast & Furious 8 ★★★★
9.00-11.40pm **ITV2** 12

Vin Diesel and the team return. (2017, HD)

What Women Want ★★★★
11.00pm-1.20am **C5** 12

Witty battle-of-the-sexes tale. (2000, HD)

Alan Partridge: Alpha Papa ★★★★
11.40pm-1.05am **BBC2** 15

The Norfolk DJ is under siege. (2013, HD)

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The Apartment ★★★★★ *1.00-3.00pm* ***BBC2*** PG
Some Like It Hot ★★★★★ *3.00-5.00pm* ***BBC2*** U

DID YOU KNOW? Billy Wilder shot *The Apartment*'s office Christmas party on 23 December in order to capture an authentic scene of festive cheer



ROMANTIC COMEDY If, like me, you're enchanted by the films of Billy Wilder, then the prospect of two of his best social farces starring Jack Lemmon will have you quoting screenwriter IAL Diamond out loud. For it was he, in conjunction with seasoned wordsmith Wilder, who came up with lines like, "Nobody's perfect!" in *Some Like It Hot*, and "Shut up and deal" in 1960's risqué *The Apartment*, a year later. The former is well remembered for Lemmon and Tony Curtis donning drag, and for both men having designs on Marilyn Monroe's ukulele player. *The Apartment* is more controversial, with Lemmon's shlub acting as de facto pimp for the bosses of his insurance firm, who borrow his flat to entertain young women. Shirley MacLaine is the elevator operator who attracts Lemmon's attention but is actually the mistress of manager Fred MacMurray. Lemmon is all heart in the film, but don't expect any neat resolutions. (US 1960, BW, HD)

DAYTIME

Wallace & Gromit in The Curse of the Were-Rabbit
★★★★ *10.15-11.35am* ***BBC1*** U

ADVENTURE The claymation heroes make their feature-length debut in this delightful comedy adventure. Bursting with wit and imagination, it sees Wallace (voiced by the late Peter Sallis) and his faithful dog Gromit offering a new pest-control service. However, when a monster begins destroying gardens, the pals race to catch the veg-ravaging terror. Despite being peppered slightly too heavily with modern innuendo, the tale retains its charm, gaining plenty of comic mileage from its quaint depiction of northern life. As ever, it's Gromit who steals the show, causing hilarity without uttering a single word. **SF** (UK 2005, HD)

Edward Scissorhands ★★★★★
12.20-2.20pm ***C4*** PG

FANTASY A superlative masterpiece from Tim Burton, this remains one of the best fantasy films ever made. Its haunting power is a match for the spellbinding work of Hans Christian Andersen, while Johnny Depp's sensitive performance as scientist Vincent Price's "Punkenstein" creation is a revelation. Humanoid Edward's inability to touch the things he loves because of his razor-sharp fingers makes for potent symbolism of the highest mythic order, and the finale packs an unforgettable emotional wallop, assisted by Danny Elfman's gloriously magical score. **AJ** (US 1990, HD)

Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull
★★★★ *1.25-3.20pm* ***BBC1*** 12

ADVENTURE Almost 19 years after the release of *Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade*, director Steven Spielberg and producer George Lucas exhume their globe-trotting archaeologist for another crack of the whip. It's now 1957, and Professor Jones (Harrison Ford) seeks the fabled Crystal Skull of Akator – and, this time, the baddies are the Soviets, led by Cate Blanchett. Then it's all aboard for more of the same Saturday matinée thrills that helped make the franchise so successful. Though relentless, it's hard to dislike thanks to Ford's weary charm and an emphasis on "old school" stuntwork. **AC** (US 2008, edited for content, HD)

Shrek 2 ★★★★
3.20-4.45pm ***BBC1*** U

FANTASY This welcome follow-up is every bit as cute, clever and funny as the original, picking up after the marriage of Shrek (voiced by Mike Myers) and Fiona (Cameron Diaz), and following their trip to her homeland of Far Far Away. But Fiona's father King Harold (John Cleese) wants Fiona to marry Prince Charming (Rupert Everett), so he hires assassin Puss-in-Boots (Antonio Banderas) to kill his new son-in-law. The parodies, pop references, Disney-baiting and Hollywood send-ups are hilarious, and there's plenty of subtle satire for young and old alike. **AJ** (US 2004, HD)

EVENING

The Dressmaker ★★★★
9.00-11.20pm ***More4*** 12

COMEDY DRAMA Writer/director Jocelyn Moorhouse's spicy take on Rosalie Ham's beloved novel stars Kate Winslet as a glamorous exile returning in 1951 to Dungatar, the dusty town of her birth in the Aussie outback. She's there to settle a score, but her mother (Judy Davis in a superbly nuanced performance) doesn't remember having a daughter while the chief of police (Hugo Weaving) is distracted by her flamboyant attire. While the townsfolk are surreal caricatures, *The Dressmaker* is a heartbreaking tragicomedy that is imaginative, funny, colourful, poignant and unforgettable. **KK** (Aus/UK 2015, violence, swearing, drug abuse, HD)

P Secret in Their Eyes ★★★
10.00pm-12.15am ***C5*** 15

MYSTERY The lives of a group of FBI investigators are torn apart by a brutal murder as a former agent (Chiwetel Ejiofor) informs his ex-colleague (Julia Roberts) that he has found the suspect they were chasing years before – the man who raped and murdered her daughter. As he persuades the district attorney (Nicole Kidman) to re-open the case, writer/director Billy Ray uses lengthy flashbacks to reveal how the killer evaded prosecution. What follows isn't as gripping as it should be, but the whole thing is elevated by a superb ensemble cast, with Ejiofor in particular providing excellent work. **SC** (US 2015, HD)

The Holiday ★★
10.15pm-12.35am ***ITV*** 12

ROMANTIC COMEDY Cameron Diaz and Kate Winslet headline this romantic comedy for the festive season. Watching it is like unwrapping an attractively packed gift only to discover it's socks again. Writer/director Nancy Meyers spends far too much time lingering on humdrum episodes and, while Diaz and Jude Law make a fairly engaging couple, the early stages of their relationship are clumsily knitted together. Ultimately, the film's funny moments are as thinly scattered as the English snow. **SP** (US 2006, swearing, HD)

Iron Man Three ★★★★
11.35pm-1.35am ***BBC1*** 12

ADVENTURE With impressive CGI action and an involving story to match, this superior sequel sees a soul-searching Tony Stark (Robert Downey Jr) facing a villain known as the Mandarin (a deceptively brilliant performance from Ben Kingsley). Director Shane Black and his co-writer Drew Pearce fill the unpredictable plot with smart surprises, and there's no shortage of visual spectacle, with highlights including the trashing of Grauman's Chinese Theatre. **AJ** (US 2013, some violence, swearing, HD)

PICK OF THE REST...

Planes: Fire and Rescue ★★★
9.00-10.15am ***BBC1*** U
Visually thrilling animated yarn. (2014, HD)

Escape to Athena ★★
11.05am-1.00pm ***BBC2*** PG
Adventure with Roger Moore, preceded by *Roger Moore Talking Pictures*. (1979, HD)

Twister ★★★ *12.45-2.55pm* ***ITV*** PG
Tornados torment the Midwest. (1996, HD)

Congo ★ *2.20-4.25pm* ***C4*** 12
Gorillas turn the tables on man. (1995, HD)

The Blue Lamp ★★★★
7.15-9.00pm ***Talking Pictures TV*** PG
British classic with Jack Warner. (1949, BW)

Little Fockers ★★★
10.05-11.55pm ***C4*** 12
De Niro and Stiller battle on. (2010, HD)

East Is East ★★★★
11.55pm-1.35am ***C4*** 15
Endearing culture-clash comedy. (1999, HD)

Sleepless ★★ *1.35-3.15am* ***C4*** 15
Jamie Foxx's cop has a bad night. (2017, HD)

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FILM OF THE DAY

The Queen ★★★★★

12.45-2.45pm ***ITV*** 12



DRAMA A warm-up for writer Peter Morgan's ambitiously ongoing biographical saga *The Crown* on Netflix, this was his first stab at imagining what the royal family are like behind locked gates. It seems all the more audacious in presenting the Queen not just in a believable light but an imperfect one. Even approaching the subject matter of the Palace's handling of Diana's death meant director Stephen Frears had to tread lightly, but with Helen Mirren inhabiting the troubled Elizabeth II, confidence came built-in. Frears clearly relishes the off-duty family scenes between Prince Philip (James Cromwell), Charles (Alex Jennings) and a cheeky Queen Mum (Sylvia Syms), which ring true, albeit in an occasionally music hall way. The locations (including Waddesdon Manor and assorted Scottish castles) provide much to look at, while Michael Sheen risks upstaging Mirren as he burnishes his Tony Blair from Morgan's *The Deal*. (UK/Fr/It 2006, may be edited for language, HD)

DID YOU KNOW?
Helen Mirren won a Bafta, an Oscar, a Golden Globe, an Olivier and a Tony for playing the Queen in this film and on stage in *The Audience*



DAYTIME

Lawrence of Arabia ★★★★★

10.50am-3.00pm ***Sony Movies*** PG

ADVENTURE This is director David Lean's magisterial portrayal of one of Britain's most enigmatic yet charismatic heroes, TE Lawrence, whose precise role in the Arab revolt against the Turks during the First World War still perplexes military historians. Peter O'Toole's flamboyant performance hints at every aspect of Lawrence's complex character, while Robert Bolt and Michael Wilson's script develops into a withering satire on the mentality of Lawrence's superiors, who play the Great Game of Empire by the book. There are some awesomely beautiful images, notably the mirage that introduced the world to a new star, Omar Sharif. Winner of seven Oscars, this is movie-making on the grandest scale. **AT** (UK 1962, violence)

The Railway Children ★★★★★

11.20am-1.05pm ***BBC1*** U

DRAMA Directed by Lionel Jeffries, this adaptation of E Nesbit's much-loved novel is simply the finest children's film ever made in this country. Told with quiet intelligence and wry humour, the story follows three Edwardian siblings as they relocate to Yorkshire with their mother (Dinah Sheridan), following their father's wrongful arrest for treason. The narrative is essentially episodic. But the set pieces are equally memorable – whether it's the prevention of a train wreck, the rescue of a schoolboy trapped in a tunnel, or the collection of birthday gifts for the proud but kindly stationmaster (winningly played by Bernard Cribbins). Sally Thomsett and Gary Warren are laudably spirited as Phyllis and Peter, but it's Jenny Agutter's magnificent performance as Bobbie that stands out. **DP** (UK 1970, HD)

Shrek the Third ★★★

3.10-4.35pm ***BBC1*** U

COMEDY This third outing shows signs of franchise fatigue with a half-baked storyline in which the grumpy green ogre (voiced by Mike Myers) goes in search of a young King Arthur as heir to the throne of Far Far Away. The innovative wit of the earlier films may be lacking, yet there's still plenty here to enjoy, from Eddie Murphy and Antonio Banderas's manic double act as Donkey and Puss-in-Boots to some sly, "Once upon a time" in-jokes. But in keeping with the film's less certain direction, entertaining scenes of adorably cheeky baby ogres are upstaged by a blandly mirthless human teenager in Artie (Justin Timberlake), who appears to have been brainstormed by marketing department suits eager to extend their audience demographics. **JR** (US 2007, HD)

EVENING

Calendar Girls ★★★★

5.00-7.00pm ***C5*** 12

COMEDY DRAMA It's the very genteel nature of Nigel Cole's film about the true story of the world-famous Women's Institute nude calendar that provides the film with its "high concept" (middle-aged women strip for charity). While the pivotal shooting of the calendar itself provides comic gold, there is a moving, fallible humanity to the performances that keeps the whole thing the right side of farce. Julie Walters, Helen Mirren and Linda Bassett shine in a spotless cast of "ladies of a certain age" and, though a climactic trip to America creates an unnecessarily showy finale, this is prime British fare. **AC** (UK/US 2003, some nudity, HD)

The Sting ★★★★★

6.25-9.00pm ***ITV4*** PG

CRIME CAPER The reteaming of *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid* stars Paul Newman and Robert Redford and their director George Roy Hill proved to be a glorious triumph, and this period romp raced away with seven Oscars. Newman and Redford play conmen who, after the death of an old chum, set about fleecing mobster Robert Shaw. The sting itself is as audacious as it is elaborate, but the real pleasure comes from the chemistry between the two leads, the lovingly created 1930s settings and Marvin Hamlisch's inspired reworking of Scott Joplin's music. **JF** (US 1973, may be edited for language, HD)

Spectre ★★★ *8.00-10.45pm* ***ITV*** 12

ADVENTURE Director Sam Mendes draws upon the ultimate foe to pull together Daniel Craig's three previous missions into one ambitious story arc. The name Spectre will be familiar as belonging to the shadowy antagonist of the original films, and the interesting conceit here is that Bond discovers he has a personal connection to its leader, Franz Oberhauser, played with smirking relish by Christoph Waltz. Mendes succeeds in delivering a prestige picture, but there is a surfeit of in-jokes that soon become a distraction. Whereas *Skyfall* owed much of its success to its downbeat mood and the vulnerability of its hero, *Spectre* goes for an outlandish sense of escapism. **JH** (US/UK 2015, violence, swearing, HD)

Billy Elliot ★★★★

9.00-10.45pm ***BBC2*** 15

DRAMA Stage director Stephen Daldry made his feature debut with this amiable study of daring to be different in the face of intractable tradition. This story of an 11-year-old north-easterner's bid to become a ballet dancer against the backdrop of the 1984 miners' strike has more emotional resonance than social relevance. It's the heart, not the conscience, that Daldry is keenest to tweak, and he succeeds triumphantly, thanks largely to Jamie Bell's eager performance in the title role, and Julie Walters as his chain-smoking dance instructor. Preceded by repeat of *Julie Walters: a Life on Screen*. **DP** (UK 2000, swearing, HD)

Bridesmaids ★★★★★

9.00-11.35pm ***ITV2*** 15

COMEDY This is a heady hilarious romp through western female tribal culture. Kristen Wiig is asked by lifelong pal Maya Rudolph to be maid of honour at her wedding. But their friendship is torn asunder by Rudolph's new friend, perfectionist Rose Byrne. So Wiig musters a motley crew and tries to get her best friend back. The script (co-written by Wiig) and direction (from Paul Feig) make for a smart film that is spiked with outrageous scenes that show off Wiig's lightning-quick timing, while credit goes to Chris O'Dowd as her love interest and Melissa McCarthy as the oddball in the party. **KK** (US 2011, swearing, sexual references, HD)

PICK OF THE REST...

Chicken Run ★★★★
9.30-10.50am ***BBC1*** U
A daring escape from a farm. (2000, HD)

Anna and the King ★★★
10.25am-1.20pm ***C4*** 12
Jodie Foster is a royal's tutor. (1999, HD)

Pan ★★★★ *10.25am-12.40pm* ***C5*** PG
All-action prequel to *Peter Pan*. (2015, HD)

The Big Country ★★★★★
11.30am-2.10pm ***BBC2*** PG
Truly grand and rarely screened western. Preceded by *Gregory Peck Talking Pictures*. (1958, HD)

Ever After: a Cinderella Story
★★★★ *1.20-3.40pm* ***C4*** PG
Drew Barrymore is the servant. (1998, HD)

Paddington 2 ★★★★★
1.30-3.10pm ***BBC1*** PG
See Film of the Day, p83. (2017, HD)

The Heroes of Telemark ★★★
2.55-5.00pm ***BBC2*** U
A mission to foil the Nazis. Preceded by *War Films Talking Pictures*. (1965, HD)

Robots ★★★ *4.55-6.30pm* ***C4*** U
A robot heads to the big city. (2005, HD)

New Year's Eve ★★
9.00-11.20pm ***C5*** 12
Star-packed romantic comedy. (2011, HD)

Uncle Buck ★★★
12.10-1.50am ***ITV*** 12
John Candy does childcare. (1989, HD)

Dodgeball: a True Underdog Story
★★★ *1.00-2.35am* ***C4*** 12
Good-natured sports comedy. (2004, HD)

Point Break ★★★★
2.00-4.00am ***BBC1*** 18
Keanu Reeves goes under cover. (1991, HD)

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FAMILY FILM OF THE DAY

Pete's Dragon ★★★★

11.00am-12.35pm ***BBC1*** PG

FANTASY When Disney combined cartoon, music and live action in earnest in the 1960s and 70s, we thrilled to *Mary Poppins*, *Bedknobs and Broomsticks* and, in 1977, *Pete's Dragon*, a family favourite set in the early 1900s. In this 2016 non-musical remake, the action opens in 1977 (nice touch) and CGI breathes organic life into the previously cell-animated dragon Elliot, while, six years later, Pete (Oakes Fegley) is now a feral orphan taken in by Bryce Dallas Howard's forest ranger and Wes Bentley's logger. With the original's thigh-slapping comedy overwritten by a more soulful, ecological thrust, the cross-species duo becomes a more believable meeting of misunderstood outsiders, and Elliot, who now sports green fur, has a gorgeously gravelly purr, not so far from a wookiee. As co-written and directed by indie darling David Lowery (*A Ghost Story*, *The Old Man & the Gun*), this is a sensitive makeover and a lesson in how to train your dragon. (US 2016, HD)

DID YOU KNOW?
As a child, David Lowery started an "Under the Sea" club with his friend dedicated to *The Little Mermaid's* Ariel



DAYTIME

Shaun the Sheep Movie ★★★★

9.30-10.50am ***BBC1*** U

COMEDY Mossy Bottom Farm's mischief-maker bounds effortlessly onto the big screen in this fun-packed yarn from Aardman. Daily life on the farm has become a bit of a grind for Shaun, so he and the rest of the flock devise a cunning "counting sheep" ruse to make the Farmer fall asleep on the job. However, the plan backfires when the caravan in which he's peacefully snoozing ends up rolling away, bound for the Big City. Shaun and friends mount a daring rescue mission, prompting plenty of japes and scrapes. While many of the jokes may not be particularly new, they are beautifully conveyed. The Aardman brand is one you can rely on when it comes to family entertainment, and this is the studio at its most delightful, ingenious and hilarious. **JH** (UK/Fr 2015, HD)

The Wizard of Oz ★★★★★

10.15am-12.15pm ***ITV3*** U

MUSICAL One of Hollywood's quintessential productions, this musical adaptation of L Frank Baum's classic fable is probably the most beloved fantasy film of all time and the ultimate family picture. It has something for everyone: wonderfully strange lands, fun-scary moments, a dazzling assortment of fairy-tale characters, fabulous songs to take us all somewhere over the rainbow, a peerless Judy Garland performance, and meaningful messages in abundance. **AJ** (US 1939, col/sepia, HD)

The Book of Life ★★★★

12.40-2.30pm ***E4*** U

COMEDY Inspired by the Mexican Day of the Dead holiday, this adventure follows troubadour and reluctant bullfighter Manolo (Diego Luna) through three dimensions, driven by his love for local beauty Maria (a sassy Zoë Saldana). Channing Tatum voices Manolo's bumptious pal Joaquin, who also aims to make Maria his wife. Writer/director Jorge R Gutierrez keeps the story simple, but tackles the subject of death with glorious gusto, never patronising younger viewers and using humour to lighten the darker passages. With vividly drawn characters and landscapes of incredible depth and detail, *Book of Life* will transport you to other worlds. **SP** (US 2014, HD)

The Thomas Crown Affair ★★★

12.45-2.25pm ***BBC2*** PG

CAPER Wound up by its, to some, irritatingly wistful, Oscar-winning song, *The Windmills of Your Mind*, this is a movie of clockwork precision from director Norman Jewison and his photographer, Haskell Wexler, who give what is essentially a caper movie an unnecessarily reverent sheen. Steve McQueen stars as the businessman organising a bank heist out of boredom and Faye Dunaway plays the insurance investigator who falls for the bad guy. You can take or leave the story but, certainly, the style is something else, though the split screens don't have the impact on TV as they would have done at the cinema. In a Steve McQueen double bill, *The Magnificent Seven* follows this film. **TH** (US 1968, HD)

The Magnificent Seven ★★★★★

2.25-4.30pm ***BBC2*** PG

WESTERN Director John Sturges was extremely fortunate in securing a near-perfect cast for this enduringly popular western reworking of Japanese classic *Seven Samurai*. Not content with forging a new iconic image for King of Siam Yul Brynner as a black-clad gunslinger, he also created key star-making roles for 1960s sensations Steve McQueen, James Coburn and Charles Bronson, while Eli Wallach is a suitably slimy villain. There's also one of the greatest musical themes ever written for a movie in an altogether fine brass-led score by composer Elmer Bernstein. If you've never seen it, don't miss. And if you have, enjoy again a visit south of the border with some trusty amigos. Or even watch it in the double bill with McQueen's original version of *The Thomas Crown Affair*. **TS** (US 1960, HD)

The Bridge on the River Kwai ★★★★★

3.00-6.15pm ***5Spike*** PG

WAR EPIC Few Second World War films are as enduring as this multi-Oscar-winning examination of the stiff upper lip from director David Lean. Alec Guinness plays Colonel Nicholson, the epitome of British dignity and resolve, who, after brutal treatment at the hands of his Japanese captors in Burma, leads his men in the building of a strategically vital railway bridge for the enemy as an exercise in keeping up their – and his – morale. This is interesting enough, but the ironies of war are further pointed up by the subplot in which wily American escapee William Holden is dispatched back into the jungle to blow up said bridge. The central performances are all first rate, including Sessue Hayakawa as the Japanese commander, but it's Guinness who stands out. **AC** (UK 1957, HD)

Jumanji ★★★★

3.45-5.55pm ***C5*** PG

FANTASY It was dismissed by many critics as a noisy, scary and utterly worthless excuse for some ingenious computer effects, but as empty experiences go this fantasy adventure is absolutely exhilarating. Toddlers, as well as pre-teens, will be spellbound by the marauding wildlife that is unleashed when Kirsten Dunst and Bradley Pierce rescue Robin Williams from the sinister board game in which he's been trapped for 26 years. Any film where the action is determined by a roll of the dice is bound to be episodic, but this hardly detracts from the enjoyment as one spectacular set piece follows another. The result is wonderful, escapist family entertainment. **DP** (US 1995, scenes that some younger viewers may find frightening, HD)

The Towering Inferno ★★★★

4.00-7.15pm ***ITV4*** 12

DISASTER MOVIE It took two major studios – Fox and Warner Bros, pooling resources – and two similar novels – *The Tower* and *The Glass Inferno* – to make this triple-Oscar-winning disaster movie. The fun comes from guessing which superstars will get fried to a crisp in the burning San Francisco skyscraper, ignited during the opening ceremony, and who will be saved by daring fire chief Steve McQueen. The big-name cast plays second fiddle to the blazing special effects, but the mounting suspense and outlandish rescue attempts fan the consistently entertaining flames. **AJ** (US 1974, edited for language, HD)

Minions ★★★

4.45-6.35pm ***ITV2*** U

COMEDY *Despicable Me's* lovable yellow sidekicks get their own movie in this prequel that sends a trio of intrepid Minions to Sixties London in search of a truly evil leader. A succession of gags and pratfalls are fired at the audience, with the resulting chaos feeling like a Three Stooges for the under-tens. There's very little point to it, but it's hard to deny that the charmingly stupid leads and some clever comedy make for an enjoyable experience, aided in no small part by a killer classic rock soundtrack. Of the new additions, Sandra Bullock throws herself into voicing maniacally insecure villain Scarlett Overkill, while Jon Hamm gets some of the biggest laughs as her sidekick/husband. It may be best suited to younger fans; nevertheless, *Minions* gives you exactly what you expect from the subservient critters, and makes up in entertainment for what it lacks in structure. **JL** (US 2015, HD)

The Dam Busters ★★★★★

5.25-7.55pm ***More4*** U

WAR DRAMA This thrilling drama about the bouncing-bomb raid on the dams of the Ruhr valley is truly compelling viewing and stands among the best British movies about the Second World War. Indeed, thanks to its potent blend of scientific suspense and aerial action, accompanied by that stirring soundtrack, it has convinced generations of movie-watchers that the mission was a major turning point in the war rather than a risky venture that the brass hats considered something of a sideshow. Michael Redgrave puts a pinch too much bumbling boffin into his Barnes Wallis, but Richard Todd was never better as Wing Commander Guy Gibson, who led the raid. **DP** (UK 1954, BW, HD)

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FILM OF THE DAY

P Mission: Impossible – Fallout

★★★★★ *9.00-11.50pm* **C4** 12

SPY THRILLER The sixth instalment in any long-running franchise ought to be struggling now, especially one without a set of young-adult books to support it. But not when it's *Mission: Impossible*. Through the continuity of its cast (notably star/producer Tom Cruise, Ving Rhames, Simon Pegg, Rebecca Ferguson) and the presence of writer/director Christopher McQuarrie (who took charge of the last two films, and is down for two more), the series goes from strength to strength. *Fallout*, released in summer 2018 to a series-best box-office total of $790 million, adds Henry Cavill to the mix as a killjoy agent sent to monitor Cruise, while three plutonium cores act as this latest globetrot's MacGuffins. From Berlin to Paris and London to Kashmir, the action is dizzying and thunderous, yet witty, with a preposterous helicopter showdown playing out amid the loose ends of an internal soap opera. Cruise again insisted on doing uninsurable stunts (breaking his ankle in the process), for which we should salute him. (US 2018, violence, swearing, HD)

DID YOU KNOW?
The scene of the fight in the bathroom was planned to take four days to shoot, but was so complex it ended up taking four weeks



EVENING

The Lion King ★★★★

6.00-7.40pm **C4** U

MUSICAL This crowd-pleasing cartoon musical from Walt Disney had enormous box-office appeal, and proved so popular that it was adapted as a spectacular stage show (and a hugely lucrative live-action version was released this year, too). For the children there's the story of how a lion cub, exiled by his wicked uncle, achieves his destiny (Disney loves orphans); for grown-ups there's a visual feast of exciting animation work, plus themes from *Hamlet*, and Elton John and Tim Rice's great songs (*Can You Feel the Love Tonight* earned the duo an Oscar). Voices range from Whoopi Goldberg to Rowan Atkinson, with Jeremy Irons a vocal standout as evil uncle Scar. **TH** (US 1994, HD)

Bridget Jones's Diary ★★★★

9.00-10.55pm **C5** 15

ROMANTIC COMEDY So well adapted by Richard Curtis that it appeals to both sexes, *Bridget Jones* is actually far better than the book. There's star Renée Zellweger who, as the 1990s heroine, is far more endearing than the book's Bridget. Then one cannot imagine Helen Fielding ever having the luxury of suitor super duo Hugh Grant and Colin Firth – who both surpass expectations as the novel's Daniel Cleaver and Mark Darcy respectively. Yes, what we have here is the best in British romantic comedy, well directed by newcomer Sharon Maguire, well acted by an ensemble cast of stellar Brits and very, very funny indeed. Daft, delicious and decidedly dippy, *Bridget Jones* is quite brilliant. And if this one isn't enough, the second sequel is on tomorrow on 5STAR. **LH** (UK/US 2001, swearing, sex scenes, nudity, HD)

Ferris Bueller's Day Off ★★★★

9.00-11.00pm **Sky1** 15

COMEDY In this comedy, Matthew Broderick – worshipped by students, scourge of teachers – decides to play truant and whisks reluctant chum Alan Ruck and girlfriend Mia Sara off to the big city for an adventure; meanwhile, uptight dean of students Jeffrey Jones is determined to catch him in the act. This remains the most fully rounded of writer/director John Hughes's teen comedies, although once again it's marred slightly by Hughes's familiar undercurrent of sentimentality. Broderick is remarkably likeable as the arrogant, spoilt brat, Ruck is excellent as his melancholy friend and Jones almost steals the show as he suffers the humiliations that would later be heaped upon the burglars in the Hughes-scripted blockbuster *Home Alone*. **JF** (US 1986, may be edited for langauge, HD)

50 First Dates ★★★

9.00-10.55pm **5STAR** 12

ROMANTIC COMEDY This sweet comedy has genuine warmth beneath the slapstick and features one of Adam Sandler's least goofy performances. In a plot reminiscent of *Groundhog Day*, Drew Barrymore plays a car-crash survivor whose short-term memory loss means she wakes up every morning with no knowledge of the day before. For laid-back, would-be suitor Sandler this means repeating their first date over and over again, an amusing concept laced with poignancy. Both leads are likeable, but it's the subtle balance of humour and heart that really lifts the film. **SF** (US 2004, swearing, drug abuse, HD)

Pulp Fiction ★★★★★

9.40pm-12.40am **Dave** 18

CRIME While not as abrasive or compelling as *Reservoir Dogs*, this follow-up confirmed Quentin Tarantino's genius for writing hard-boiled comic dialogue. It also demonstrated a control over a wealth of characters and crossplots that was simply astonishing for a film-maker still, essentially, in the process of learning his trade. The picture went on to scoop the Palme d'Or at the Cannes film festival and win Oscars for Tarantino and his co-writer Roger Avary. Scorching though the writing is, it needed a high-calibre cast to carry it off. Uma Thurman, Bruce Willis and Christopher Walken are excellent, but the revitalised John Travolta and the then largely unknown Samuel L Jackson are unforgettable. **DP** (US 1994, violence, swearing, sex scenes, drug abuse, nudity, HD)

LATE NIGHT

The Hangover ★★★★

10.35pm-12.35am **ITV** 15

COMEDY In a surprisingly inventive comedy that doesn't rely on cheap, gross-out laughs, a stag do in Las Vegas for about-to-be-wed Doug (Justin Bartha) takes a turn for the unusual. This terrific romp from *Joker* director Todd Phillips sees Doug's three friends (Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms, Zach Galifianakis) wake up after the excessive night before with no sign of the prospective groom and no memory of the evening's events. As the befuddled buddies go back over the trail of their wild night (which includes an encounter with Mike Tyson, playing himself), they soon discover how extreme their escapades have been. It's packed with believable dialogue and hilarious situations, which effectively blend the deadpan with the hysterical. The sequel is on tomorrow on ITV2. **KK** (US 2009, violence, swearing, nudity, HD)

Mrs Henderson Presents ★★★

11.25pm-1.35am **Sony Movies** 12

DRAMA In this benign period drama, Judi Dench stars as Laura Henderson, a wealthy widow, who buys a decrepit London theatre in 1937. With the help of an impresario (Bob Hoskins), she turns it into a money-spinner by showing nonstop vaudeville shows. When business slackens, the unlikely partners launch Britain's first all-nude revue, manoeuvring around censorship laws by ensuring the naked women stand stock-still. Dench delivers every one-liner with a tart but impish twinkle that's consistently winning and a cast-against-type Hoskins is surprisingly effective, too. **LF** (UK/US 2005, swearing, nudity)

Red 2 ★★★

11.50pm-1.50am **C4** 12

ACTION More antiquated, globetrotting nonsense fuels this OAP espionage caper, though it is slightly better than the original. This time, Frank (Bruce Willis) calls on his ageing secret agent buddies (including John Malkovich) to track down a nuclear device invented by a mentally unstable weapons genius (Anthony Hopkins). As before, the winning rapport between the stars is the film's best asset, with the sight of Helen Mirren in a slow-motion shoot-out still hitting the spot, as does her dotty impersonation of the Queen to gain access to an asylum. **AJ** (US 2013, violence, swearing, HD)

PICK OF THE REST...

The Parent Trap ★★★
7.45-10.15am **C4** U
Hayley Mills takes a dual role. (1961, HD)

Shark Tale ★★★
1.50-3.40pm **C4** U
A little fish is living a lie. (2004, HD)

The Sound of Music ★★★★★
2.30-5.20pm **BBC1** U
See Film of the Day, p94. (1965, HD)

Back to the Future Part II ★★★
3.40-5.50pm **C4** PG
Time-travelling caper sequel. (1989, HD)

Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Cafe ★★★★
4.35-7.05pm **5Select** PG
Learning the value of friendship. (1991)

Ice Station Zebra ★★★
5.50-9.00pm **Sony Action** U
Rock Hudson polar adventure. (1968)

The Mirror Crack'd ★★
6.55-9.00pm **Talking Pictures TV** PG
Angela Lansbury is Miss Marple. (1980)

Flight of the Navigator ★★★
7.00-9.00pm **Syfy** U
Appealing sci-fi adventure. (1986)

P Shazam! ★★★★
8.00-10.15pm **Sky Premiere** 12
See review, page 226. (2019, HD)

The Hunger Games ★★★★
9.00-11.55pm **W** 12
Youngsters fight to the death. (2012, HD)

28 Days Later... ★★★★ 18
11.25pm-1.40am **Paramount Network**
Tense and chilling zombie horror. The sequel is on tomorrow. (2002, HD)

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FILM OF THE DAY



The Sound of Music ★★★★★

7.00-9.45pm ***BBC4*** U

MUSICAL *Mary Poppins* conferred superstar status on Julie Andrews, and she returned as another nanny for this blockbuster the following year. She plays Maria, a trainee nun from Salzburg who acts as governess to the family of widower and former naval officer Christopher Plummer. Captured in a swooping helicopter shot, Andrews's Alpine twirl to the strains of Rodgers and Hammerstein's theme tune remains one of Hollywood's greatest entrances. **AC** (US 1965, HD)

The 39 Steps ★★★★★

11.35am-1.00pm ***BBC2*** U

THRILLER Alfred Hitchcock's take on John Buchan's novel has all the ingredients of classic Hitch, not least the innocent-man-on-the-run plot, a staple all the way through to 1959's *North by Northwest*. In this case, it's visiting Canadian Richard Hannay (a winning Robert Donat), who gets dragged into an espionage conspiracy after an outing to a London music hall and ends up in Scotland handcuffed to an icy blonde (Madeleine Carroll). Playing "spot the recurring Hitchcock motif" is almost as thrilling as the chase itself, and the chemistry between Donat and Carroll is a rare treat. Followed by *Alfred Hitchcock Talking Pictures*. **AC** (UK 1935, BW)

P Queen of the Desert ★★

6.20-9.00pm ***Sony Movies*** PG

BIOPIC The life of adventurer Gertrude Bell is explored in Werner Herzog's drama, starring Nicole Kidman as the British aristocrat who travels to far-flung reaches of the British Empire. With beautiful camerawork and a more than capable cast, this should have all the makings of a hit in the mould of *Lawrence of Arabia*. Sadly, that promise is undermined by a lack of direction, leaving us to navigate the story like a tourist without a map. Despite moments of genuine beauty (it was filmed in Jordan and Morocco), *Queen of the Desert* offers too much drudgery and not enough heart – a crime given the real-life story it draws upon. **JL** (US 2015, sexual references)

P The Glass Castle ★★★

9.00-11.40pm ***Sony Movies*** 12

DRAMA Lacking the light touch of Destin Daniel Cretton's previous film *Short Term 12* (review, p196), this true-story drama follows four siblings growing up under maverick patriarch Woody Harrelson. Brie Larson plays the adult gossip columnist hiding her feelings about her upbringing, while Naomi Watts is her neglectful artist mother. Balanced helpings of tears and laughter are accompanied by a syrupy score in a drama that concludes sentimentally but understands the deep, sometimes twisted roots of family. **EAS** (US 2017, violence, swearing, sexual references)

PICK OF THE REST...

Romancing the Stone ★★★★

12.10-2.10pm ***C4*** 12

A novelist teams up with an adventurer. The sequel is on tomorrow. (1984, HD)

The Fall of the Roman Empire

★★★★ *2.25-5.15pm* ***BBC2*** PG

All-star historical epic. Preceded by a *Talking Pictures* on the genre. (1964)

The Hangover: Part II ★★★

9.00-11.05pm ***ITV2*** 15

The Wolf Pack heads to Bangkok. (2011, HD)

The Big Wedding ★★

11.05pm-1.00am ***C5*** 15

Ex-partners Robert De Niro and Diane Keaton have to live a lie. (2013, HD)

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Trent's Last Case ★★★

4.10-5.55pm ***Talking Pictures TV*** U

MYSTERY EC Bentley's diverting detective story was the prototype for the modern whodunnit, and this is the best of the three screen adaptations. Michael Wilding plays the shrewd sleuth of the title investigating the suspicious death of tycoon Orson Welles, who, in just a few flashbacks, masterfully creates a victim who was simply begging to be bumped off. Herbert Wilcox sprinkles the clues and red herrings with a steady hand, while John McCallum and Margaret Lockwood stand out among the suspects. **DP** (UK 1952, BW)

A Hard Day's Night ★★★★★

7.00-8.30pm ***BBC4*** U

MUSICAL At a time when Elvis and Cliff were still making old-style musicals, this forerunner of the modern music video smashed the mould. Satirising the endless round of banal inquisition, petty regulation and screaming adoration to which the Beatles were subjected, this musical odyssey enabled them to mock authority and shirk duty without allowing such rebelliousness to detract from the working-class respectability of their "Mop Top" image. Richard Lester's film salutes various new-wave film techniques, from Federico Fellini and the *nouvelle vague* to Free Cinema and the Czech Film Miracle. **DP** (UK 1964, BW, HD)



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FILM OF THE DAY

Attack the Block ★★★★

12 midnight-1.30am **C4** 15

DID YOU KNOW? Ideas comes from strange places: Joe Cornish was inspired to make the film after being mugged near his south London home



SCI-FI COMEDY Establishing Joe Cornish, formerly of comedy duo Adam and Joe, as a writer/director to watch, *Attack the Block* brings the *Gremlins*-style creature caper up to date with the tale of socially excluded, patois-slinging hoodies on a London council estate. When their "block" is targeted by sharp-toothed alien invaders, they must find the hero within, amid some breakneck action around the estate's walkways, garages and bins. Cornish does not patronise his young protagonists, drawing on his cast's ear for authentic street language. Acting ballast comes from Jodie Whittaker, Luke Treadaway and Nick Frost, while the career of John Boyega went supernova with *Star Wars* – see interview, p51.
(Fr/UK 2010, violence, swearing, drug abuse, HD)

Hail, Caesar! ★★★★

9.00-11.05pm **More4** 12

COMEDY Joel and Ethan Coen's unashamed screwball comedy is a dizzy, saturated hooray to Hollywood. Josh Brolin does great, stoic work as a studio fixer in early 1950s Burbank whose headaches over a 24-hour period include the kidnapped star (George Clooney) of a costly Roman epic, a spat with highly strung English director Ralph Fiennes over the casting of singing cowboy Alden Ehrenreich, and the pregnancy of unmarried musical mermaid Scarlett Johansson. The Coens re-create the CinemaScope age before our very eyes, with pitch-perfect movie parodies, including two flawless dance routines, one led by a cheerily homoerotic Channing Tatum in a sailor suit. **AC** (US 2016, sexual references, HD)

Sherlock Holmes: a Game of Shadows ★★★

10.45pm-1.00am **ITV** 12

MYSTERY Robert Downey Jr adopts the mantle of Britain's most famous fictional detective once again, although, as in his previous outing, it is more comic book than Conan Doyle. It's 1891, and Holmes and Dr Watson (Jude Law) are required to travel across western Europe to stop Professor Moriarty (Jared Harris) from starting the First World War early. The plot affords the opportunity for Downey to take his top off, dress up as a woman and wrestle on a couch with Watson. The comedy may dilute any sense of jeopardy but the sheer gusto of the cast at least means this romp is a watchable one. **BP** (US 2011, violence, brief nudity, HD)

What We Do in the Shadows ★★★★

11.35pm-12.55am **BBC2** 15

COMEDY This spoof about a bunch of Kiwi vampires breathed new life into the mockumentary format and, five years later, spawned the series that was shown earlier this year. It's co-directed by Taika Waititi (*Thor Ragnarok*) and *Flight of the Conchords* star Jemaine Clement, playing the dandyish Viago and the rampant Vladislav respectively. A film crew follows the pair, along with their undead housemates, as they argue about the washing-up, hit the clubs, and suck the life from virgins. There are hilarious riffs on undead mythology and everything is delivered with straight-faced charm. **LB** (NZ 2014, violence, swearing, col/BW, HD)

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PICK OF THE REST...

Rio Conchos ★★
11.20am-1.05pm **BBC2**
Violent but well-made western. *Talking Pictures: '60s Icons* follows. (1964, HD)

The Jewel of the Nile ★★★★
12.10-2.10pm **C4** PG
The search is on for another gem in this sequel to *Romancing the Stone*. (1985, HD)

Babe: Pig in the City ★★
2.10-4.00pm **C5** U
The pig finds himself in danger. (1998, HD)

The Watch ★★★
9.00-11.05pm **E4** 15
Ben Stiller fends off an alien invasion with the help of Vince Vaughn, Jonah Hill and Richard Ayoade. (2012, HD)

Pitch Perfect ★★★
9.00-11.15pm **ITV2** 12
Anna Kendrick joins her university's *a cappella* singing group. (2012, HD)

No Country for Old Men ★★★★★
9.00-11.25pm **Paramount Network** 15
Masterful thriller about the bloody aftermath of a botched drug deal. (2007, HD)

True Story ★★★
12.55-2.30am **BBC2** 15
Jonah Hill is nicely cast against type as a discredited US journalist. (2015, HD)

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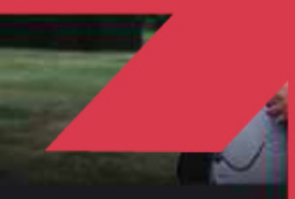










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It's all for you...

Over the next 142 pages, **Alison Graham** and the *RT* team unwrap the very best of this year's festive TV



If I had a Christmas bauble for every time I'm asked, "How much television do you watch every day?" and "What do you do at Christmas because you've seen everything already?" I'd have enough to bedeck the entire sea front at Whitby, including both piers. Come to think if it, I could probably decorate the Prom at Scarborough, too.

People are only being politely interested, but everyone thinks they are the first person to ask. I would love to answer a) enough to make my nose bleed and b) I hang upside down like a bat and read magazines about tractors.

'I have watched *everything*. In about two days'

By the time you read this, I will have squashed many hours of television viewing into a tiny amount of time entirely for this hand-tooled double issue that you now hold in your lovely, delicate mitts, printed on the finest parchment and illustrated by monks.

Now, I know I'm very lucky and that to many people watching television and writing about it for a living isn't a proper job; clearly I recline daily on an Edwardian fainting couch being fed violet creams by Tom Hiddleston as I watch multiple episodes of *Antiques Road Trip*.

After all, it's not like I'm a logger in Canada or a potash miner, I don't captain a trawler in North Utsire or even South Utsire (hands up who else loves the Shipping Forecast on Radio 4!). But can I beg your kindness and understanding when I tell you that as you picked up this double issue along with your baguettes and garlic mayonnaise, I was draped in fairylights, wrapped in a blanket, rocking from side to side on a park bench.

MIXED ASSORTMENT
For every *Dracula* and *Call the Midwife*... there's *Still Open All Hours*



GETTY

I've watched so much Christmas telly, dear reader! I spent 90 minutes with *The Last Igloo* (BBC4) watching an Inuit hunter build an igloo. I have watched a Norwegian crime drama (*Wisting* on BBC4), *Dracula* (BBC1), the *Call the Midwife* Christmas special (BBC1)... I have watched *everything*. In about two days.

Of course, I'm not alone. We few, we happy few, we band of brothers and sisters; for he or she today that sheds his or her blood with me as we argue over who *is not* going to watch *Still Open All Hours* (BBC1) shall be my brother or sister. (Thanks Henry V, love your work!)

We have all, we Pick of the Day writers, emerged, blinking, into the light, deranged, pale and constipated from a diet made up entirely of mince pies and cashew nuts. Blistered, too, from that annual violent argument about the correct pronunciation of "cashew". I say "Cash-OO", others disagree. Though not for long.

Occasionally the editor will open our office door to throw in sides of raw meat, maybe the occasional sheep or goat, before he slams it quickly and runs home crying.

But I place myself humbly before you to promise that we have done our best, we have watched every minute of everything with love, care and attention before we delivered our words to you in a beribboned gift box soaked in the tears of the doomed soul who was made, by me, to watch *Britain's Favourite Biscuit* on Channel 5.

For my part, I intend to go and live with wolves. Though with my luck, I'll find the only pack that watches *Still Open All Hours*... Happy Christmas!

Discover TV

12 treats for Christmas on Netflix



1 The Witcher

HUGE NEW DRAMA

Netflix

Missing *Game of Thrones*? This big-budget fantasy saga ought to sate your desire for spectacular sieges, magic and swords dipped in blood. Henry Cavill is the wise-cracking Geralt of Rivia, a monster-slayer for hire who's about to meet a bigger destiny.
Available from 20 December



BAKE OFF... BUT FASTER

5 Sugar Rush Christmas

Netflix

An American *Bake Off*, with two differences: contestants are in pairs, so they must work together and try to hide their contempt if their partner gets something wrong; and teams win extra minutes in the final round if they complete bakes with time to spare. Despite all that pressure, standards are incredibly high in the festive version of the show.
Available now

MORE GUILTY PLEASURE

2 You

Netflix

A drama that was a cult hit when its first series dropped last year, even if some of us were watching in spite of ourselves as a lurid saga about a murderous stalker got more and more bonkers. Now Joe (Penn Badgley) has moved to LA and, uh-oh, he's found another pretty young woman to obsess over.
Series two from Boxing Day

A FAMILY ADVENTURE

3 Lost in Space

Netflix

If your kids are junior-school age or above, the whole family can enjoy this remake of the popular 1960s series together. Toby Stephens (right) leads an intrepid clan of colonists: in series one we saw them face varied perils and a lot of very impressive alien landscapes.
Series two from Christmas Eve

NATASHA PSZENICKI

NEW STAGE SPECIAL

4 Jack Whitehall: Christmas with My Father

Netflix

The stand-up comedian hosts a party in front of a packed West End theatre crowd, as usual goading his irascible father Michael into spitting out withering comebacks and un-PC rants. Guest Hugh Bonneville (above, centre) and, in the filmed inserts, the experts from *Queer Eye* are among Whitehall Sr's bemused victims.
Available from 12 December

BAKE OFF... BUT RUBBISH

6 Nailed It! Holiday!

Netflix

If the intimidatingly complex gingerbread houses in *Sugar Rush Christmas* make you feel inferior, try this. It's a seasonal spin-off from the baking show where the contestants are awful bakers, which means effortlessly funny host Nicole Byer and the judges spend most of their time laughing with a sweet mix of disgust and delight.
Available now

REVISIT YOUR MOVIE YOUTH

7 The Movies That Made Us

Netflix

This infectiously entertaining factual series spends each episode looking at a hit film from the 1980s or 90s, the theme being that the cast and crew never dreamt they were making box-office gold. Viewers who are the right age – around 45 would be ideal – will feel a rush of nostalgia as tales are told about *Die Hard, Home Alone, Ghostbusters* and *Dirty Dancing*.
Available now

Netflix, iPlayer and beyond



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JACK SEALE

BBC iPlayer





ATTENBOROUGH'S LATEST EPIC

8 Seven Worlds, One Planet

iPlayer

Of course it carries with it a dread message about conservation and onrushing climate change – and when those messages hit home, they really hit hard – but the latest David Attenborough-voiced spectacular is full of fun that kids will love, and all the breathtaking beauty you expect from a BBC natural history series, too. Its seven episodes, all still available, find wonders in each continent.

A BANQUET OF CRIME DRAMA

9 Inspector Montalbano

iPlayer

Bask in the sunshine, salivate at the food and drink, and generally wish you were there: all 34 episodes of the wry Italian crime drama have been brought together for the first time as a luxury box set, starring the formidable Luca Zingaretti (above) as a Sicilian police chief who never lets his sleuthing responsibilities affect his quality of life. BBC4 viewers generally, and *RT* readers in particular, love it.
Available from 14 December

Amazon Prime

EXQUISITE COMEDY DRAMA

10 The Marvelous Mrs Maisel

Amazon Prime

Snappy, stylish and somehow so Christmassy, this delightfully naughty comedy drama is back. Rachel Brosnahan dazzles as the titular Midge Maisel, who's now left behind her prim life in posh Manhattan at the dawn of the 1960s to take her risqué comedy career on tour. No show on TV has sharper zingers.
Available now

THEY'RE BACK... ON BOATS

11 The Grand Tour Presents: Seamen

Amazon Prime

During their *Top Gear* days, foreign jaunts brought out the best and sometimes the worst of Jeremy Clarkson, Richard Hammond and James May. So it is here, as they enjoy a boat trip across the Mekong Delta... well, often *they* don't seem to enjoy the crashes, arguments and cock-ups, but fans of the trio will lap it up.
Available from 13 December

BritBox

LOSE YOURSELF IN THE TARDIS

12 Doctor Who

BritBox/iPlayer

On Boxing Day, new streaming platform BritBox adds "classic" *Who* to its catalogue – more than 600 surviving episodes shown between 1963 and 1996 (and new animated versions). Combined with iPlayer's full set of everything from Christopher Eccleston onwards, it's the ultimate *Who* collection.



SAVE THE DATE!

BFI & RADIO TIMES TELEVISION FESTIVAL

The television event of the year is back! Yes, the BFI & *Radio Times* Television Festival – the UK's biggest and best TV festival – returns to London's BFI Southbank over the weekend of **17 to 19 April 2020**, packed with top names from the world of television. And you can be there!

To find out more, visit **radiotimes.com/tvfest**



BIG NAMES
Jamie Oliver, Joanna Lumley, Nadiya Hussain and Keeley Hawes were some of the stars of the show in 2019

WATCH THE BEST OF SKY'S SHOWS – FOR FREE!

We've joined up with Sky TV to offer you the opportunity to watch some of their biggest and best shows – for free. Go to **RadioTimes.com** between 18 December and 18 January to see episodes of some of the most-talked about TV including *Chernobyl*, *Portrait Artist of the Year* and *Catherine the Great*. You can also watch the entire series of hit comedies *Brassic* and *Frayed*, plus Mark Strong and Daniel Mays in the critically-lauded *Temple*. That's every episode. For free. For more details, including the full list of shows you can watch, go to **RadioTimes.com/SkyOriginals**



SATURDAY Choices

The pick of today's TV



GIFT OF THE GAB
Michael McIntyre has some big festive surprises for his guests

PICK OF THE DAY

Michael McIntyre's Big Show *8.10pm or 8.15pm* BBC1*

ENTERTAINMENT The format may not be exactly groundbreaking, but its enjoyable mix of conventional family entertainment, surprises, emotional moments and occasionally surreal comedy makes this the perfect way to kick off the festive fortnight. It's no wonder that it was the most watched programme on Christmas Day last year.

In 2018, McIntyre gave an audience member the best Christmas present ever, when he was invited to sing and dance with his idol, Kylie Minogue. This time, it's Robbie Williams who gets some of the audience up on the stage of the London Palladium to sing with him before performing *Winter Wonderland*. Handing over his mobile for the Send to All section is Ian Wright, who says he isn't nervous although the levels of sweat on his head suggest otherwise.

There's another *Big Show* on Christmas Day, when Michael wakes up *Strictly* Scrooge Craig Revel Horwood in a special Midnight Gameshow. How brave is that? **JANE RACKHAM**

Lovejoy

9.00am ***Drama***

DRAMA Before *Fleabag*, there was *Lovejoy*. Don't see the connection? Well, both have a tendency to confide in the viewer, either with an eyebrow-arch to camera or a cheeky little aside. And there's a lot for Ian McShane to smile about in this 1992 special, as he bagged himself a trip to Prague.

It was the TV era where shows went overseas at this time of year (think *Only Fools and Horses* in Miami, *One Foot in the Algarve*) and the mischievous antiques dealer wasn't about to miss out. So here he is, a fur-lined trapper hat covering his mullet, heading off on a hunt for missing diamonds. **DAVID BROWN**

Equestrianism

1.45pm ***BBC2***

SPORT Horsey folk have been thronging in west London since Monday, when the annual festival of equestrianism that is the Olympia Horse Show began its programme of events, displays, and international professional contests in driving, jumping and dressage.

Today, it's one of the most prestigious competitions, the latest round of the FEI Jumping World Cup. This time last year, Great Britain's William Whitaker, riding Utamaro d'Ecaussine, narrowly defeated Belgium's Karel Cox and US show jumper Laura Kraut after a tense three-way jump-off. Clare Balding is our eyes and ears on the sidelines. **JACK SEALE**

Pointless Celebrities

6.35pm BBC1*

QUIZ It's a panto edition (Oh no, it's not! Oh yes, it is!) so there's a full cast of Widow Twankeys, Prince Charmings, Aladdins, Wicked Queens and, er, Sooty standing behind the podiums. Among those giving a plug to their particular pantomime this year (and dressed in full stage regalia) are Christopher Biggins, Michelle Collins, Gary Wilmot and Duncan James.

There was no preview available but let's hope this lot are better at answering the Christmas-themed questions than the 2014 panto line-up. They were so bad that Alexander Armstrong forgot what the pinging noise heralding a correct answer sounded like. **JR**

**The scheduling of these shows depends on whether Liverpool is in the Club World Cup Final or the third-place play-off.* *See listings p102.*

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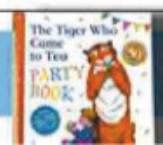

Judith Kerr's **The Tiger Who Came to Tea *Party Book*** See **p58**

Children's Choices

Moominvalley

1.00pm, 1.30pm ***Sky 1***

Moomintroll, Sniff, Snufkin and Little My are back for a second series of the beautifully rendered TV version of Tove Jansson's popular books. Kind, curious Moomintroll is off on another set of adventures that will help him to become all grown up: three today, with two more completing a cute weekend tomorrow.



Thomas and Friends

6.55am ***Channel 5***

Our best engine friend is in foreign climes for this feature-length episode: Thomas has got himself a new job on the railways in Italy. He soon makes a friend, a racy little green engine called Gina, but at first he's not keen to take her local knowledge on board. As always with Thomas and his friends, such naughtiness soon leads to a lesson learned the hard way.

Children's Choices by Jack Seale and RT Film Editor Andrew Collins

Nothing like a Dame

7.00pm ***BBC4***

DOCUMENTARY Never talk down to Dame Judi Dench. A patronising paramedic ("He looked about 17") once treated her for a hornet sting and caught the full force of her fury. "He said to me, 'What's our name?' and 'Do we have a carer?' I blew my top!" It's a terrific anecdote, told with indignation and a lot of giggles at a gathering of four great dames – Joan Plowright, Maggie Smith, Eileen Atkins and Dench.

Director Roger Michell (*Notting Hill*) eavesdrops with his camera for a film that was first shown last year, giving the occasional prompt, suggesting subjects, as the women sit and chat in Plowright's house. It's an unalloyed delight.

ALISON GRAHAM TV EDITOR

Casualty

*9.10pm or 9.20pm** ***BBC1***

DRAMA Medical dramas can never resist the opportunity to do a Christmas plotline involving the birth of a baby. So, when Ruby's estranged sister Violette turns up in the ambulance bay with a fit-to-burst pregnancy bump, it doesn't take the intellect of one of the three wise men to work out what happens next.

There's also a potential wedding in the emergency department, as David prepares to tie the knot with Rosa, only to then discover that everything she and her mum have ever said is a lie.

Meanwhile, Charlie is at home struggling with a deteriorating Duffy, whose mood is fluctuating between upset and outright anger. Will a visit from Robyn help? **DAVID BROWN**

Ed Sheeran: Austin City Limits

10.15pm ***Sky Arts***

MUSIC Ed Sheeran might be one of the biggest music stars in the world, with his every album selling millions more copies than the previous multi-million-seller, but don't expect anything big and fancy from this concert. It was filmed at a Texas venue where the crowd's not too big and are up close to the artist, which suits Sheeran just fine: despite his commercial stature he likes to strip gigs down, often just standing there alone with an acoustic guitar.

The more electronic style of a hit single like *Shape of You* might call for a keyboard and maybe even a loop pedal to beef up the sound, but when Sheeran plays live, that usually means pure, unadulterated Ed. **JS**



EYEING THE BLACK CHAIR
Tim Vine, Alastair Stewart, Hal Cruttenden and Samira Ahmed prepare for a grilling

FOOTBALL
If Liverpool plays in the Club World Cup final today, this edition of *Celebrity Mastermind* will be shown on Friday 27 December

Celebrity Mastermind *6.05pm** ***BBC1***

QUIZ The trumpets of doom blare over the snare drum of destiny, as John Humphrys welcomes four celebrities to the black chair of general knowledge. And not just any celebrities, but former champions, every one.

Broadcasters Samira Ahmed and Alastair Stewart and comedians Tim Vine and Hal Cruttenden have each won celebrity editions in the past, but they still look nervy as they gather to answer questions on what must presumably be their second-favourite specialist subjects – respectively *Space: 1999*, Lewis Hamilton, *Jaws* and (a lovely idea, this) Magnus Magnusson.

And they're good, boy are they good, on their specialist subjects, at least. But can they hack it on the lower-rent stuff, like *Rocky* films or the yellow properties in Monopoly? It's an enjoyably tight contest with plenty of what Ahmed refers to as "geeking out". **DAVID BUTCHER**

DISCOVER TV PICKS

The best of streaming and catch-up



The Secret Life of Sue Townsend (Aged 68¾)

iPlayer (expires today)

First shown in 2016, this sensitive documentary profiles the author who created the Adrian Mole series, pinning down what made her such a luminous comic talent. Famous fans and those close to Townsend, as well as rare archive footage, reveal her as a proud champion of normal folk and her beloved Leicester.

Bob Monkhouse: the Last Stand

iPlayer (expires today)

In 2003, months before his death, Monkhouse invited his favourite comedians to a small London club for one final gig. That precious footage is shown here. **JS**

BEST LIVE SPORT



■ **Premiership Rugby Union: Leicester Tigers v Exeter Chiefs** *2.30pm (k/o 3pm)* ***BT Sport 2*** Leicester fly-half George Ford.

■ **Premier League Football: Everton v Arsenal** *12 noon (kick-off 12.30pm)* ***BT Sport 1;*** **Man City v Leicester** *5pm (k/o 5.30pm)* ***Sky PL/Main Event***

■ **Football: Club World Cup** *2pm or 5.15pm* ***BBC1*** Coverage depends on Liverpool's progress.

FILM OF THE DAY

Scrooge

3.10pm ***Channel 5***

Classic 1951 version of Charles Dickens's beloved Christmas tale, starring Alastair Sim.

See page 71

ALAMY; GETTY

SATURDAY Main Channels

DAYTIME

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast Jon Kay, Tina Daheley. (S) (HD)
10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live Matt Tebbutt is joined by Jane Baxter, Nathan Outlaw and Frank Skinner. (S) (HD)
11.30 Flour Power *9/10.* Four workmates from a language school compete. First shown on BBC Scotland (S) (HD)
12 noon Football Focus With Dan Walker. (S) (HD)
1.00pm BBC News Weather (S) (HD)
LIVE FOOTBALL *If Liverpool are in the Club World Cup third-place play-off, the following schedule will apply:*
1.15 Bargain Hunt Antiques challenge. (R) (S) (HD)
2.00–4.30 Match of the Day Live: Club World Cup The third-place play-off (kick-off **2.30**). (S) (HD)
In the event of extra time/penalties, subsequent programmes may change
NO FOOTBALL *If Liverpool aren't playing in the Club World Cup at 2pm, the following schedule will apply:*
1.15 Bargain Hunt Antiques challenge. (R) (S) (HD)
2.10 Escape to the Country In Devon. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
3.10 Money for Nothing From Walsall. (R) (S) (HD)
3.55–4.15 BBC News BBC Newsline; Weather (S) (HD)
RED BUTTON 2.30–5.30 Final Score
Jason Mohammad presents the latest football scores

BBC2

6.20am Top Class First shown on CBBC (S) (HD)
6.50 This Farming Life Cattle are tested for TB. (R) (S) (HD)
BBC RED BUTTON 7.30am–2.30pm Fanny Cradock Cooks for Christmas A collection of traditional recipes from the 1970s. Showing every morning until Christmas Day
7.50 MasterChef: the Professionals The chefs cook for the country's top culinary talents. Shown last Tuesday
8.50 The four remaining chefs fight to secure their place in the final three. Shown last Wednesday (S) (AD) (HD)
9.50 Newsies: the Broadway Musical ★★★★
P Musical starring Jeremy Jordan. **Review page 71.**
Directors Brett Sullivan and Jeff Calhoun (2017, PG) (S) (W) (HD)
12 noon Victorian Bakers at Christmas (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
1.00pm Nature's Weirdest Events (R) (S) (HD)
1.45–4.30 LIVE Equestrianism The World Cup
RT show jumping event at Olympia. Repeated 5.30pm on the red button. **See p100.** (S) (HD)

ITV

6.00am CITV See page 107 **8.25 ITV News** (S) (HD)
8.30 The Sara Cox Show With Steve Pemberton, Isabel Hodgins, Susan Cookson and Jayde Adams. Beverley Knight provides the live music. (S) (HD)
9.25 James Martin's Saturday Morning The chef is joined by Chris Evans and Joanna Page. (S) (HD)
11.35 John and Lisa's Christmas Kitchen Recipes include John's glazed ham. Shown last Sunday (S) (HD)
12.35pm Nadia's Family Feasts *7/10.* Maryland home fries and buttermilk fried chicken. Shown last Sunday (S) (HD)
1.35 ITV News Weather; UTV Weather (S) (HD)
1.50 Midsomer Murders Down among the Dead Men. Barnaby and Jones investigate the death of notorious blackmailer Martin Barret. (R) (S) (AD)
3.50–4.20 Paul O'Grady: for the Love of Dogs *8/8 Series 8.* Paul meets a Pyrenean mountain dog with a bladder problem. Shown last Wednesday (S) (AD) (HD)

Channel 4

5.40am The House of Magic ★★★★ Animated
adventure. A cat seeks shelter in a strange house.
Directors Jérémie Degruson and Ben Stassen (2013, U) (S) (W) (HD)
7.10 Capture the Flag ★★★ Animated adventure.
A ruthless billionaire tries to claim the Moon.
Director Enrique Gato (2015, PG) (S) (W) (HD)
8.55 Everybody Loves Raymond (R) (S) (AD)
9.25 The King of Queens (R) (S) (AD)
9.55 The Simpsons Four episodes. (R) (S) (AD)
12 noon Two by Two ★★★ Animated adventure. Two
creatures are accidentally left behind by the ark.
Directors Toby Genkel and Sean McCormack (2015, U) (S) (W) (HD)
1.40pm Garfield: A Tale of Two Kitties ★★★
Family comedy sequel. Garfield heads for London.
Director Tim Hill (2006, U) (S) (W) (HD)
3.15–5.00 Madagascar ★★★ Animated comedy.
A zebra, a lion, a giraffe and a hippo leave their comfortable lives in a zoo to return to the wild.
Directors Eric Darnell and Tom McGrath (2005, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

BBC1



Michael McIntyre's Big Show *8.10/8.15pm*
He texts, he scores: Michael hijacks Ian Wright's phone

LIVE FOOTBALL *If Liverpool are in the Club World Cup final, the following schedule will apply:*

4.15pm Final Score With Jason Mohammad
Including at **5.00** *Final Score from Northern Ireland.* (S) (HD)

5.15 Match of the Day Live: Club World Cup Final
Liverpool take on either the Copa Libertadores champions Flamengo from Brazil, Al-Hilal from Saudi Arabia or Espérance Sportive de Tunis. (S) (HD)

In the event of extra time/penalties, subsequent programmes may change

7.30 The Hit List
6/6 *Series 2.* Three more pairings take part.
Director Chris Power; Series producer Gareth Davies (S) (HD)

8.15 Michael McIntyre's Big Show
RT ***5/6*** *Series 5.* Robbie Williams surprises some karaoke fans in the audience with special renditions of his classic hits. Three brothers visit an escape room, but find themselves on stage as the Unexpected Stars of the Show. **See page 100.**
Director Simon Staffurth; Series producer Christian Fletcher
Repeated Monday 30 December 12.35am (S) (HD)

9.20 Casualty
RT Ruby has mixed feelings when her sister Violette arrives in the ED. **See page 101.**
For cast see page 180 (S) (AD) (HD)

10.10 BBC News Weather (S) (HD)
Followed by **National Lottery Update** (S)

10.30 Match of the Day
Highlights of the day's seven Premier League games.
Rptd tomorrow 7.35am (S) (HD) *Match of the Day 2* is 10.30pm tomorrow

11.55 The NFL Show
The team offer their play-offs predictions. (S) (HD)
12.25am Looper ★★★★★ Sci-fi action thriller starring
Joseph Gordon-Levitt and Bruce Willis. **Review p71.**
Director Rian Johnson (2012, 15) (S) (W) (HD)
2.15 Weather (S) (HD) **2.20–6.00am BBC News** (S) (HD)

NO FOOTBALL *If Liverpool aren't in the Club World Cup final, the following schedule will apply:*

4.30 Final Score As above, 4.15pm.

5.25 Dragons: Gift of the Night Fury
Animated short based on *How to Train Your Dragon.*
Shown 1pm CBBC (S) (HD)

5.45 BBC News BBC Newsline; Weather (S) (HD)

6.05 Celebrity Mastermind
RT A Champion of Champions episode with former winners Tim Vine, Alastair Stewart, Hal Cruttenden and Samira Ahmed. More Friday 27 December 6.30pm. **See page 101.** (S) (HD)

6.35 Pointless Celebrities
RT A panto edition with contestants including Christopher Biggins and Sooty. **See p100.** (S) (HD)

7.25 The Hit List As above, 7.30pm.

8.10 Michael McIntyre's Big Show
As above, 8.15pm.

9.10 Casualty As above, 9.20pm.

10.00 BBC News Weather (S) (HD)
Followed by **National Lottery Update** (S) (HD)

10.20 Match of the Day As above, 10.30pm.

11.45 The NFL Show As above, 11.55pm.

12.15am FILM Looper As above, 12.25am.
2.05 Weather (S) (HD) **2.10–6.00am BBC News** (S) (HD)

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BBC2



Robbie Williams: Radio 2 in Concert *10.25pm*
He's the one: let the showman entertain you

4.30pm Porridge
Fletcher is in danger of spending Christmas in solitary.
Another episode tomorrow 5.15pm (R) (S)

5.15 Swallows and Amazons ★★★★
Adventure based on Arthur Ransome's classic children's novel. England in the 1930s: while on holiday in the Lake District, four children lay claim to a nearby island. However, the local Blackett sisters consider it to be their domain, so battle lines are drawn.
Jim Turner/Captain Flint **Rafe Spall** John Walker **Dane Hughes**
Mrs Walker **Kelly Macdonald** Susan Walker **Orla Hill**
Lazlov **Andrew Scott** Tatty Walker **Teddie-Rose Malleson-Allen**
Director Philippa Lowthorpe (2016, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

6.45 Meet the Moose Family
Cameraman Hugo Kitching follows the story of a mother moose bringing up her calf in the Canadian Rockies in this *Natural World* documentary.
Director/Producer Susan Fleming (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

7.45 Dad's Army
For the Love of Three Oranges. Mainwaring finds himself bidding against Pike at a fundraising bazaar.
Writers Jimmy Perry and David Croft; Director/Producer David Croft (R) (S)

8.20 Meet the Bears
Hugh Bonneville narrates as *Natural World* offers a fascinating insight into the lives of one of the world's most popular and charismatic animals. The eight species of bear have mastered survival across the globe, adapting to vastly different habitats by developing extraordinary sets of skills.
Producer Anuschka Schofield; Series producer Holly Spearing (R) (S) (HD)

9.20 Snow Patrol at Ward Park 3
Snow Patrol perform a homecoming gig at Ward Park in Bangor, County Down, as the band go on a journey through their early classics to songs from their most recent album. Celebrating 25 years in music, the rockers will be treating the crowd to hits from their breakthrough release *Final Straw* and its follow-up *Eyes Open*, and last year's album *Wildness*.
Director James Russell; Executive producer Mike Edgar (R) (S) (HD)

10.20 Cunk and Other Humans on 2019
6/6. The inimitable Philomena Cunk and friends look back over a memorable year.
A compilation is tomorrow 10.45pm (S) (HD)

10.25 Robbie Williams: Radio 2 in Concert
Robbie Williams performs at the BBC Radio Theatre in central London. The setlist features songs from *The Christmas Present*, his recently released 12th studio album, which sees him cover seasonal favourites such as *Merry Christmas Everybody*, as well as singing his current single, *Time for Change*.
Director Janet Fraser Crook; Executive producer Alison Howe
Available on iPlayer since 16 December (S) (HD)

11.35 Behind the Candelabra ★★★★
Biographical drama starring Michael Douglas and Matt Damon. Flamboyant pianist Liberace is already one of the most famous entertainers in the world when he meets young Scott Thorson in 1977. Scott is at first seduced and then overpowered by the larger-than-life character and his opulent lifestyle. But their six-year relationship is volatile and kept secret from Liberace's adoring fans.
Liberace **Michael Douglas** Bob Black **Scott Bakula**
Scott Thorson **Matt Damon** Dr Jack Startz **Rob Lowe**
Seymour Heller **Dan Aykroyd** Ray Arnett **Tom Papa**
Director Steven Soderbergh (2013, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.30–3.00am The Bleeder ★★★ Boxing drama based on a true story, starring Liev Schreiber, Naomi Watts and Elisabeth Moss. In 1975, a New Jersey boxer is plucked from obscurity to fight world champion Muhammad Ali.
Director Philippe Falardeau (2016, 15) (S) (W) (HD)

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ITV

Casino Royale *8.10pm* All bets are off: Vesper Lynd and James Bond make the most of a quiet moment



4.20pm ITV News **Weather** (S) (HD)

4.40 Regional News **Weather** (S) (HD)

4.50 Shrek ★★★★

Animated fantasy comedy. Shrek is a grumpy green ogre whose swamp is overrun with homeless traditional fairy-tale characters. To get them evicted by the evil Lord Farquaad, he must rescue Princess Fiona from her dragon-guarded tower, with the help of a talking donkey.

Featuring the voices of:

Shrek/Blind mouse	**Mike Myers**	Lord Farquaad	**John Lithgow**
Donkey	**Eddie Murphy**	Monsieur Hood	**Vincent Cassel**
Princess Fiona	**Cameron Diaz**	Ogre hunter	**Peter Dennis**

Directors Andrew Adamson, Vicky Jenson (2001, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

6.25 The Chase Celebrity Special
The Rev Kate Bottley, Dr Ranj Singh, comedian Ed Byrne and *Made in Chelsea*'s Georgia "Toff" Toffolo pit their wits against all five of the Chasers. But can they defeat the combined might of the show's resident quiz geniuses and win thousands of pounds for their chosen charities? Bradley Walsh presents. (S) (HD)

7.25 In for a Christmas Penny
Stephen Mulhern spreads some cheer on the streets of Manchester in a special edition of his roving quiz show. With a sackful of cash to be won, the host will challenge shoppers to tackle a host of games, along with regular favourites *Mum's the Word*, *Pump It Up* and *Weigh to Go*. Stephen is joined by a mystery celebrity Santa, with a prize for the contestant who can guess who's behind the white beard.
Series producer Sophie Coen; Executive producers Pete Ogden and Tim Dean Repeated tomorrow 12.15pm ITV2 and Boxing Day 5.15pm ITV (S) (AD) (HD)

8.10 Casino Royale ★★★★

Spy adventure starring Daniel Craig in his first appearance as 007. James Bond sets off in pursuit of Le Chiffre, a corrupt banker who finances terrorism. Realising that the desperate Le Chiffre needs to win big on the gaming tables of Montenegro to pay off a dangerous client, Bond formulates a plan to ruin him in a high-stakes poker game. **Review page 71.**

James Bond	**Daniel Craig**	Rene Mathis	**Giancarlo Giannini**
Vesper Lynd	**Eva Green**	Solange	**Caterina Murino**
Le Chiffre	**Mads Mikkelsen**	Alex Dimitrios	**Simon Abkarian**
Felix Leiter	**Jeffrey Wright**	Mr White	**Jesper Christensen**
M	**Judi Dench**	Valenka	**Ivana Milicevic**

Director Martin Campbell (2006, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
Quantum of Solace is tomorrow at 9pm

10.55 ITV News
Weather; Regional Weather (S) (HD)

11.10 Basic Instinct ★★★

Erotic thriller starring Michael Douglas and Sharon Stone. After a former rock star is killed with an ice pick, San Francisco detective Nick Curran interviews Catherine Tramell, the victim's novelist lover, whose last book featured an identical murder. Curran, who is trying to reform his excessive lifestyle with the help of a police psychologist, soon finds himself dangerously involved with his key suspect.
Director Paul Verhoeven (1992, 18) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.20am Home Shopping
3.00 What Would Be Your Miracle? Helping a boy with cerebral palsy to walk. (R) (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)
3.50 Nightscreen Text information. (HD)
5.05–6.00am How to Spend It Well at Christmas with Phillip Schofield *1/3* *Series 3*. Three *Corrie* stars test out hoverboards and scooters. (R) (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)

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Channel 4

Daddy's Home Two *9.20pm* John Lithgow fusses over Will Ferrell in this heartwarming comedy sequel



5.00pm Channel 4 News
Sport; Weather (S) (HD)

5.30 Kirstie's Handmade Christmas
Kirstie Allsopp shares everything she loves about Christmas. She meets natural beauty experts making luxurious presents using normal kitchen ingredients. She also reveals the secrets to the best festive windows, how to make sparkle magic wands, the art of the pop-up Christmas card and the creative possibilities of plaster of paris.
Directors George Cathro and Steve Potter
Series producer Kate Wilson (R) (S) (HD)

6.30 Jamie's Easy Christmas Countdown
Jamie Oliver offers his guide to a stress-free build-up to Christmas and the festive feast. There is smoked salmon pâté, pork stuffing crammed with leeks, peaches and roasted chestnuts, and roast potatoes that are fluffy on the inside and crisp on the outside. Jamie also mixes it up with a cauliflower and broccoli cheese topped with breadcrumbs and almonds.
Director Ed St Giles; Series producer Katie Millard
Shown last Sunday (S) (AD) (HD)
RT BOOKS To order *Jamie Oliver's Christmas Cookbook* for £25 inc p&p, call 03302 232 639 or visit radiotimes.com/shop52

7.30 Men in Black ★★★★

Sci-fi comedy. When a New York police officer is recruited by a top-secret agency that keeps tabs on alien activity he soon finds himself in a race against time to save the Earth.

K	**Tommy Lee Jones**	Beatrice	**Siobhan Fallon**
J	**Will Smith**	Gentle Rosenberg	**Mike Nussbaum**
Laurel	**Linda Fiorentino**	Van driver	**Jon Gries**
Edgar	**Vincent D'Onofrio**	Jose	**Sergio Calderon**
Zed	**Rip Torn**	Arquillian	**Carel Struycken**
Jeebs	**Tony Shalhoub**	INS Agent Janus	**Fredric Lane**

Director Barry Sonnenfeld (1997, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
Men in Black 3 Boxing Day 7.10pm

9.20 Daddy's Home Two ★★★

P Comedy. Father and stepfather Dusty and Brad bury the hatchet to provide their kids with a perfect Christmas. However, their truce is tested when Dusty's old-school, macho dad and Brad's ultra-affectionate, emotional father arrive in time to cause utter chaos. **Review page 71.**

Brad Whitaker	**Will Ferrell**	Karen	**Alessandra Ambrosio**
Dusty Mayron	**Mark Wahlberg**	Dylan	**Owen Vaccaro**
Kurt Mayron	**Mel Gibson**	Megan	**Scarlett Estevez**
Don Whitaker	**John Lithgow**	Roger	**John Cena**

Director Sean Anders (2017, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
Also showing Christmas Day 10pm 4seven

11.15 The Inbetweeners Movie ★★★

Comedy based on the popular television series. Four friends go on holiday to the Greek party town of Malia, where the potent mix of sun, booze and raging teenage hormones leads, predictably, to trouble.

Will	**Simon Bird**	Mr Gilbert	**Greg Davies**
Simon	**Joe Thomas**	Lucy	**Tamla Kari**
Jay	**James Buckley**	Jane	**Lydia Rose Bewley**
Neil	**Blake Harrison**	Polly McKenzie	
Carli D'Amato	**Emily Head**		**Belinda Stewart-Wilson**
Alison	**Laura Haddock**	Lisa	**Jessica Knappet**
Will's dad	**Anthony Head**	James	**Theo James**

Director Ben Palmer (2011, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
The Inbetweeners 2 Monday 23 December 11pm

1.05am Travel Man: 96 Hours in Jordan With author and comedian David Baddiel. (R) (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)
2.00 The Last Leg *Ep 9.* A comic review of significant moments of the past seven days. Shown yesterday (S) (HD)
2.55 Hollyoaks Omnibus. Cast pp171/241 (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)
5.00 Countdown Jon Culshaw guests. (R) (S) (HD)
5.40–6.05am Extreme Cake Makers The challenge is to create three unique unicorn cakes. (R) (S) (HD)

Channel 4 Freeview 4 Freesat 104 Sky 104 Virgin 104
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BBC4

Mrs Brown *9.15pm* Queen Victoria finds the company of John Brown helps to lift her spirits



7.00pm Nothing like a Dame
RT Dames Judi Dench, Maggie Smith, Joan Plowright and Eileen Atkins have a wealth of acting experience to share as they gather for a talk about their remarkable careers and extraordinary lives. Unsurprisingly, there is much wit and wisdom on display as the quartet's observations are illustrated with clips of their most famous performances, and even as they reflect back on lives filled with drama, they are still young at heart. **See p101.**
Director Roger Michell; Producer Sally Angel
Signed repeat Christmas Eve 2.30am
First shown on BBC2 (S) (AD) (HD)

RED BUTTON 8.00–9.00 Coldplay Live at Maida Vale Watch the band's Radio 1 session at Maida Vale studios from 27 November, playing tracks from their new album and a special cover

8.15 As Time Goes By
With Alistair and Judith now married, and Sandy and Harry in Canada, Lionel and Jean reminisce on their own.

Jean Pargetter	**Judi Dench**
Lionel Hardcastle	**Geoffrey Palmer**
Alistair Deacon	**Philip Bretherton**
Judith Hanson	**Moira Brooker**
Sandy	**Jenny Funnell**

Writers Bob Larbey and Colin Bostock Smith
Director Sydney Lotterby (R) (S)

9.15 Mrs Brown ★★★★★

Historical drama. Queen Victoria's staff are concerned about her prolonged period of mourning following the death of Prince Albert. They summon servant John Brown, a favourite riding companion of her late husband, to help lift her depression. **Review p71.**

Queen Victoria	**Judi Dench**
John Brown	**Billy Connolly**
Benjamin Disraeli	**Antony Sher**
Henry Ponsonby	**Geoffrey Palmer**
Doctor Jenner	**Richard Pasco**
Bertie, Prince of Wales	**David Westhead**
Archie Brown	**Gerard Butler**
Lady Ely	**Bridget McConnel**
Lady Churchill	**Georgie Glen**
Lady-in-waiting	**Catherine O'Donnell**

Director John Madden (1997, PG) (S) (W)

10.55 Philomena ★★★★

Drama based on a true story, starring Judi Dench. A journalist takes up the story of an Irish woman's 50-year search for the son who was taken away from her when she was a teenage inmate of a Catholic convent.

Philomena Lee	**Judi Dench**
Martin Sixsmith	**Steve Coogan**
Sally Mitchell	**Michelle Fairley**
Sister Hildegarde	**Barbara Jefford**
Jane	**Anna Maxwell Martin**
Mary	**Mare Winningham**
Young Philomena	**Sophie Kennedy Clark**
Mother Barbara	**Ruth McCabe**
Kate Sixsmith	**Simone Lahbib**

Director Stephen Frears (2013, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.30–3.30am Peaky Blinders *4/6* *Series 4*
The Shelbys are lured by the Italians into a cat-and-mouse chase, where it becomes clear that Tommy has met his match.
1.30 *5/6.* Tommy finds himself engaged in bloody battle with Luca Changretta.
2.30 *6/6.* The night of the big fight arrives, and danger lurks in the shadows. Catch up with all five series on iPlayer. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

BBC4 Freeview 9 Freesat 107/173 Sky 116 Virgin 107
HD Freeview 106 Freesat 107 Virgin 107

Regional variations

BBC1 SCOTLAND

LIVE FOOTBALL
4.15–5.15pm Sportscene Results
NO FOOTBALL
4.30-5.25pm Sportscene Results

BBC SCOTLAND

As BBC2 until:
6.45pm Beechgrove Repotted **7.00** The Seven **7.15** Seven Days **8.00** How Scotland Works **9.00** Two Doors Down **9.30 FILM:** We Need to Talk about Kevin **11.15** The Quay Sessions **11.45–12 midnight** Rewind 1990s

STV

1.20am Who's Doing the Dishes? **2.10** Nightscreen **5.05–6.00** How to Spend It Well at Christmas with Phillip Schofield

BBC1 WALES

LIVE FOOTBALL
11.30am–12 noon Our Food, Our Family with Michela Chiappa: helping a woman reconnect with the cuisine of her Nigerian roots
NO FOOTBALL
11.30am–12 noon Our Food, Our Family with Michela Chiappa
2.10pm Escape to the Country: a couple looking to move from Brussels to the Scottish Borders
2.45 Money for Nothing **3.25–3.55** A Question of Sport

BBC1 NORTHERN IRELAND

LIVE FOOTBALL
4.15–5.15pm Final Score: including at 5.00 Final Score from Northern Ireland
NO FOOTBALL
4.30–5.25pm Final Score: including at 5.10 Final Score from Northern Ireland

BBC2 NORTHERN IRELAND

9.20–10.20pm Snow Patrol at Ward Park 3

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SATURDAY Freeview

Television Saturday

FIRST WEEK

Channel 5 5



Britain's Favourite Christmas Carol *6.50pm* Katie and Hacker T Dog

Freeview 5 **Freesat** 105 **Sky** 105 **Virgin** 105
HD **Freeview** 105 **Freesat** 105 **Virgin** 150

6.00am Milkshake! See page 107

10.10 SpongeBob SquarePants Sandy struggles to build a ship-in-a-bottle. (S) (HD)

10.25 Rise of the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles The team tries to recover a Moon buggy. (S) (HD) **10.35 Access** (S) (HD)

10.45 The African Queen ★★★★★
First World War romantic adventure starring Humphrey Bogart and Katharine Hepburn. **Review page 71.**
Director John Huston (1951, U) (S) (W) (HD)

1.00pm The Goonies ★★★
Adventure starring Sean Astin.
Director Richard Donner (1985, 12) (S) (W) (HD)

3.10 Scrooge ★★★★★
The classic version of Charles Dickens's tale, starring Alastair Sim. A tight-fisted businessman is visited by three ghosts, who remind him of the true spirit of Christmas. **Film of the Day: page 71.**
Director Brian Desmond-Hurst (1951, U) (BW) (S)

5.00pm Agatha and the Truth of Murder

The 11-day disappearance of Agatha Christie in 1926 is officially explained by memory loss. This drama imagines that she engineered her disappearance in order to investigate a true-life murder.
Director Terry Loane; Exec producer Brett Wilson (S) (HD)

6.45 5 News (S) (HD)

6.50 *New.* Britain's Favourite Christmas Carol

A countdown of the nation's most beloved carols, as voted for by the public. Various famous faces guide us through the results, while a team of experts reveal the musical tricks, hidden histories and surprising stories behind the songs.
Series producer Rob Kelly (S) (HD)

8.20 Our Yorkshire Farm

Following hill shepherds Amanda and Clive Owen, who are raising nine children on a farm in the Yorkshire Dales.
Directors Gareth Prescott and Kate Fraser
Producer Gareth Prescott (S) (HD)

9.20 *New series.* Jane and Friends

1/4 Series 3. The singer's musical show returns with a Christmas edition. Lee Ryan, Aled Jones and Russell Watson join her to perform classic hits.
Series producer Joe McClusky
Repeated Friday 27 December 4.50am (S) (HD)

10.20 Freddie Mercury: a Christmas Story

Friends and loved ones reflect on the career of Freddie Mercury and Queen.
Director/Producer Mark Turnbull First shown last Thu Rptd New Year's Day 11.05pm 5Select (S) (HD)

11.45 Queen: a Night at the Odeon

A classic concert by the band, recorded on Christmas Eve at the Hammersmith Odeon in 1975. (S) (HD)

1.00am *New.* Casino (S) (HD) **3.00** Access (S) (HD) **3.15** NCIS: New Orleans: triple bill (S) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** House Doctor (S) (SL)

+1 **Freeview** 44 **Freesat** 128 **Sky** 205 **Virgin** 155

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BBC4 listings are overleaf

ITV2 6



Four Christmases *6.25pm* Kate and Brad face a festive challenge

F'view 6 **F'sat** 113 **Sky** 118 **Virgin** 115 **HD** **Virgin** 176

6.00am Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records Christmas (S) (HD) **6.25** Emmerdale: omnibus edition (S) (SL) (AD) (HD) **8.55** Coronation Street: omnibus (S) (AD) (HD)

12 noon The Big Soap Quiz: Coronation Street v Emmerdale (S) (HD) **1.00pm** I'm a Celebrity... Legends of the Jungle (S) (HD) **2.00** You've Been Framed Gold at Christmas! Unwrapped (S) **2.30 FILM** Jack Frost ★★ Fantasy comedy drama (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **4.35 FILM** Liar Liar ★★★★ Comedy (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

6.25pm Four Christmases ★★
Comedy starring Reese Witherspoon and Vince Vaughn. The potent mix of Christmas and relations presents a special challenge for Kate and Brad, who are forced to visit all of their four divorced parents on Christmas Day. **Review p81.**
Director Seth Gordon (2008, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

8.10 The Holiday ★★
Romantic comedy starring Cameron Diaz, Kate Winslet, Jude Law and Jack Black. After breaking up with her boyfriend, Amanda is in need of a holiday. An online search persuades her to exchange her California home over Christmas for the Surrey cottage of Iris, who has just found out her ex is getting married. **Review p89.**
Director Nancy Meyers (2006, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

10.50 Family Guy
Series 13. Peter throws Jesus an important birthday party. (S) (AD) (HD)
11.20 *Series 7.* Brian opens a bar. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.50 American Dad!
Series 11. Stan makes a wish to become single – which comes true. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.15am *Series 6.* Stan and Francine are left behind during the Rapture. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.40 Family Guy (S) (AD) (HD) **1.10** Plebs (S) (AD) (HD) **1.45 FILM** Contagion ★★★ Thriller (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **3.40** The Boxer and the Ballroom Dancer (S) (AD) (HD) **4.30** Educating Joey Essex: Reem Queen at 90 (S) (HD) **5.20** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **5.45–6.00am** Nightscreen

ITV2+1 **Freeview** 27 **Freesat** 114 **Sky** 218 **Virgin** 116

ITV4 24

F'view 24 **F'sat** 117 **Sky** 120 **Virgin** 118 **HD** **Virgin** 178

6.00am World of Sport: Kings of the Canvas (S) (HD) **6.10** The Protectors (S) (SL) **6.35** The Professionals (S) (SL) (AD) **7.25** The Big Fish Off (S) (HD) **8.20** Monster Carp (S) (AD) (HD) **9.30** *New.* ITV Racing: the Opening Show (S) (HD) **10.30** Columbo Goes to the Guillotine (S) (HD) **12.30pm** Merry Christmas Mr Bean (AD) (HD) **1.05** World Cup Rivalries: England v Argentina (S) (HD) **1.30 LIVE** Racing: coverage of today's races from Ascot and Haydock Park (S) (HD) **4.00 FILM** Aces High ★★★ First World War drama with Malcolm McDowell. (S) (AD) (W)

6.15pm FILM Where Eagles Dare ★★★★ Second World War action starring Richard Burton and Clint Eastwood. (S) (W) (HD)

9.20 FILM Rambo: First Blood, Part II ★★★ Action drama starring Sylvester Stallone and Richard Crenna. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.25 FILM Rocky II ★★★ Boxing drama starring Sylvester Stallone. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.50am Football Genius (S) (HD) **2.20** Bad Move (S) (AD) (HD) **3.15** The Americans (S) (HD) **4.10** Nightscreen (HD) **4.20–6.00am** Columbo: Death Hits the Jackpot (S) (SL) (HD)

ITV4 +1 **Freesat** 154 **Sky** 220 **Virgin** 175

ITV3 10



Midsomer Murders *9.00pm* The party is over for Brendan Pierce (Les Dennis)

F'view 10 **F'sat** 115 **Sky** 119 **Virgin** 117 **HD** **Virgin** 177

6.00am Rising Damp Christmas Special (S) (SL) **6.25** Agatha Christie's Poirot (S) (HD) **8.25** Inspector Morse (S) (HD) **12.55pm** Agatha Christie's Marple: double bill of the mystery drama (S) (AD) (HD)

4.50pm Agatha Christie's Poirot
The ABC Murders. The sleuth receives anonymous letters outlining a killer's intention to murder a succession of people in alphabetical order. Pippa Guard and Donald Sumpter guest star. (S) (AD) (HD)

7.00 Midsomer Murders

Ghosts of Christmas Past. A family's reunion takes a sinister turn when a riddle warns that two of them will die before midnight on Boxing Day. Haydn Gwynne and Margery Mason guest star. (S) (AD)
9.00 The Christmas Haunting. It is meant to be a time of joy – Christmas is coming and Barnaby is soon to be a father – but the mood changes when a man is killed during a ghost-hunting party. (S) (AD) (HD)

DCI John Barnaby	**Neil Dudgeon**
DS Charlie Nelson	**Gwilym Lee**
Sarah Barnaby	**Fiona Dolman**
Brendan Pierce	**Les Dennis**
Simon Fergus-Johnson	**Mark Heap**
Tabby Fergus-Johnson	**Nadia Cameron-Blakey**
Pippa Fergus-Johnson	**Hannah Tointon**
Valerie Fergus-Johnson	**Emily Joyce**

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11.00 Hattie

Bittersweet true-life drama starring Ruth Jones, about Hattie Jacques's affair with a younger man while married to John Le Mesurier. She met and was seduced by John Schofield while filming *Carry On Cabby*. Despite the danger of a scandal, she moved Schofield into her family home and started an eccentric love triangle. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.50am A Touch of Frost: Jack investigates attacks on elderly people (S) (HD) **2.45** Inspector Morse (S) (HD) **4.35** Wild at Heart (S) **5.30–6.00am** Nightscreen

+1 **F'view** 34 *(9pm–midnight)* **F'sat** 116 **Sky** 219 **Virgin** 174

ITVBe 26

F'view 26 **F'sat** 118 **Sky** 131 **Virgin** 119 **HD** **Virgin** 179

6.00am Bring It! (HD) **7.50** The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills (S) (HD) **8.50** Be Beautiful (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** LittleBe (HD)

12 noon Be Beautiful (S) (AD) (HD) **12.10pm** Cake Wars (S) (HD) **1.05** Chrisley Knows Best (S) (HD) **2.00** The Real Housewives of Potomac (S) (AD) (HD) **2.55** The Only Way Is Essexmas (S) (HD) **3.55** There's Something about Megan: triple bill (S) (HD)

7.00pm Celebrity Dinner Date With former *Emmerdale* star Gemma Oaten. (S) (AD) (HD)
8.00 Reality star Jordan Davies chooses three dates from five menus. (S) (AD) (HD)
9.00 Botched The doctors have a heart-to-heart with a woman who is obsessed with body modification. (S) (AD) (HD)
10.00 Ibiza Weekender El Jefe introduces a ban on romances between reps. (S) (HD)
11.00 A new recruit who has a history with Jordan joins the team. (S) (HD)

12.05am Botched (HD) **1.00** Mob Wives: the Last Stand (S) (HD) **1.45** Vanderpump Rules (S) (HD) **3.20** Bachelor in Paradise: triple bill **5.30–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITVBe +1 **Freesat** 119 **Sky** 231 **Virgin** 120

Drama 20



The Lady Vanishes *6.00pm* Iris and Max get caught up in a mystery

Freeview 20 **Freesat** 158 **Sky** 143 **Virgin** 130

7.25am London's Burning (S) (AD) **9.00** RT **CHOICE** Lovejoy: the antiques dealer flies to Prague to hunt for missing diamonds. Christmas special from 1992 **See page 100** (S) **11.00** Catherine Cookson's The Girl (S) **2.00pm** Call the Midwife (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm The Lady Vanishes

A starry cast adds sparkle to this tale of mystery and suspense. When young socialite Iris Carr faints at a station during a train journey across Europe, she is comforted by eccentric governess Miss Froy. But after Miss Froy goes missing, the other passengers deny ever having seen her and it is up to Iris to find out what has happened to her helper. (HD)

Iris Carr	**Tuppence Middleton**
Max Hare	**Tom Hughes**
Miss Froy	**Selina Cadell**
Laura Parmiter	**Keeley Hawes**
Mr Todhunter/Sir Peveril	**Julian Rhind-Tutt**

8.00 Father Brown

1/15 Series 3. **The Man in the Shadows**
The priest gets embroiled with MI5, which puts Lady Felicia in a compromising position. Will she betray her friend to protect secrets from her past? (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Death in Paradise

1/8 Series 5. **The Complex Murder**
When millionaire environmentalist Dan Hagen is shot on his boat, evidence points to a robbery gone wrong. But as the team discover that everyone is hiding a secret, DI Goodman sets out to get to the bottom of the case. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.15 Silent Witness

1/5 Series 19. **After the Fall.** The apparent suicide of a DJ leads Nikki to question how she handled a previous and strikingly similar case. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.50am The White Princess: sequel to *The White Queen*, starring Jodie Comer (S) (AD) (HD) **2.05** The Heart Guy: Hugh struggles to prove his innocence and win back Penny (HD) **3.15–4.00am** Garden Hopping

Drama +1 **Sky** 243 **Virgin** 226

Dave 19

F'view 19 **F'sat** 157 **Sky** 111 **Virgin** 127 **HD** **Virgin** 227 **BT** 387

7.10am James May's Cars of the People (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** Expedition with Steve Backshall (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** Soapbox Race (HD)

12 noon Top Gear Botswana Special (S) (AD) **1.00pm** Top Gear Vietnam Special (S) (AD) **2.30** Top Gear (S) (HD) **5.00** *New series.* Top Gear: Winter Blunderland: some of the team's best winter challenges (AD) (HD)

6.00pm *New.* **Soapbox Race** Observatory Hill overlooking Helsinki Harbour. (HD)
7.00 World's Most Dangerous Roads A historic route from the Peruvian Andes. (S) (HD)
8.00 Not Going Out *6/7 Series 10.* Lee tries to find out who smashed a family heirloom. (HD)
8.40 *7/7.* Lucy takes the kids away. (HD)
9.20 FILM Stand by Me ★★★★★ Coming-of-age drama starring Wil Wheaton. (W) (HD)
11.15 Mock the Week: Election Special With Angela Barnes, Ed Gamble, James Acaster, Milton Jones and Tez Ilyas. From 2017. (S) (HD)

12 midnight Have I Got a Bit More News for You (S) (HD) **1.00am** Dave Gorman: Modern Life Is Goodish (S) (HD) **2.00** Not Going Out (HD) **3.15–4.00am** Mock the Week (S) (HD)

Dave Ja Vu **Freeview** 79 **Sky** 211 **Virgin** 131

Aunt Bessie's Yorkshire puddings are ideal for Christmas

More4 18



Escape to the Château: the Great Outdoors *6.50pm* Angel and Dick

F'view 18 **F'sat** 124 **Sky** 136 **Virgin** 147 **HD** **Virgin** 195

8.55am Kirstie's Handmade Christmas (S) (HD) **9.20** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun (S) (HD) **11.20** Four in a Bed (S) (HD)
2.00pm Come Dine with Me (S) (HD) **4.40** Escape to the Château: Restoring the Dream (S) (AD) (HD) **5.50** Escape to the Château: Designing the Dream (S) (AD) (HD)

6.50pm Escape to the Château: the Great Outdoors
Recalling how the abandoned walled garden stole Dick and Angel's hearts. (S) (AD) (HD)

7.55 Emergency Helicopter Medics
The heli-medics are tasked with treating a man hit by a train. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 24 Hours in A&E
Tony, 48, is flown in by helicopter after he and his father were badly injured in a motorcycle crash. (S) (AD) (HD)
10.00 Ky, 18, is brought in after being knocked off her motorbike. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.05 Father Ted
A festive edition from 1996. The clerics get lost in a lingerie department. (S) (AD)
12.15am Father Ted: double bill (S) (AD)
1.20 It Was Alright in the 1970s (S) (HD)
2.25 ***New.*** Animal Airport (S) (HD)
3.30–3.55am Food Unwrapped (S) (AD) (HD)

More4 +1 **Freeview** 86 **Freesat** 125 **Sky** 236 **Virgin** 196

E4 13

F'view 13 **F'sat** 122 **Sky** 135 **Virgin** 106 **HD** **Virgin** 145

6.00am Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
7.50 Ice Age: a Mammoth Christmas (AD)
8.15 FILM Christmas Encore ★★ (W)
10.00 Made in Chelsea: Buenos Aires
11.00 The Big Bang Theory (AD)
2.30pm Brooklyn Nine-Nine: back-to-back episodes (AD) **5.30** Young Sheldon (AD)

6.00pm The Big Bang Theory ***4/24*** *Series 4.* Howard tries to win back Bernadette.
6.30 ***5/24.*** *Series 5.* An adversary returns.
7.00 ***20/24.*** Penny buys Leonard and Sheldon some *Star Trek* memorabilia.
7.30 ***7/24*** *Series 6.* Amy and Wil Wheaton get into a fight while filming *Fun with Flags*.
8.00 ***7/24*** *Series 9.* Sheldon is interviewed for a *Star Trek* documentary.
8.30 ***13/24*** *Series 12.* Sheldon and Amy are thrilled when their theory is proved correct. (AD)
9.00 FILM Star Trek ★★★★ Science-fiction adventure starring Zachary Quinto, Chris Pine and Leonard Nimoy. (AD) (W)
11.35 Gogglebox *EastEnders* is appraised. (AD)
12.35am *Jamie's Meat-Free Meals* and *The Great British Bake Off* are critiqued. (AD)
1.40 First Dates (AD) **2.40** First Dates Abroad
3.35 Rude Tube Christmas Cracker
4.30–6.00am Brooklyn Nine-Nine (AD)

E4 +1 **Freeview** 28 **Freesat** 123 **Sky** 235 **Virgin** 146

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F'view 47 **F'sat** 127 **Sky** 137 **Virgin** 143 **HD** **F'view** 110

9.00am Kirstie's Handmade Christmas
11.00 Escape to the Château: DIY (AD)
4.00pm Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
9.00 Celebrity Gogglebox ***5/6.*** Critiques of TV shows airing in mid-July 2019. (AD) **10.00** First Dates ***Ep 6*** *Series 13.* A 71-year-old former beekeeper is looking for a man with a naughty side. (AD) **11.05** 24 Hours in A&E (AD)
12.10am The Cure: drama starring Sian Brooke (AD) **1.40** My Grandparents' War: Carey Mulligan (AD) **2.50** Scotland's Scenic Railways (AD)
3.50–4.50am Buy It Now for Christmas (AD)

Paramount Network 54



Shadowlands *6.15pm* Writer CS Lewis changes his mind about Joy Gresham

F'view 54 **F'sat** 132 **Sky** 153 **Virgin** 188 **HD** **Virgin** 187

9.00am The Office US (HD) **9.30** Now That's Funny! (S) **10.30** House (HD)
3.05pm FILM Out of Africa ★★★★ Oscar-winning drama starring Meryl Streep. (HD)

6.15pm Shadowlands ★★★★★
Romantic drama. CS Lewis appears to be content with his quiet academic life. Then he agrees to meet poet Joy Gresham, whose personality seems to be at odds with Lewis's unadventurous routine.
Director Richard Attenborough (1993, U) (HD)

9.00 The Bridges of Madison County
★★★★ Romantic drama starring Clint Eastwood and Meryl Streep. Francesca Johnson's adult son and daughter begin to understand her last request, when they read in her diary about her love affair with a photographer.
Director Clint Eastwood (1995, 12) (HD)

11.45 Circle of Friends ★★★★
Romantic drama, starring Chris O'Donnell and Minnie Driver. Despite the restrictions of their Catholic backgrounds and trouble with overbearing families, three childhood girlfriends find college life to be a liberating experience.
Director Pat O'Connor (1995, 15) (HD)

1.50am LA to Vegas: five episodes (HD)
3.40–6.00am Neighbours (S) (AD) (HD)

Pick 11

Freeview 11 **Freesat** 144 **Sky** 152 **Virgin** 165

6.00am Nothing to Declare: back-to-back episodes of the fly-on-the-wall documentary
11.00 Send in the Dogs **1.00pm** Magical Christmas Shoes **3.00** The Chase: triple bill of the quiz **6.00pm** Motorway Patrol **7.00** Caught Red Handed: triple bill. A man responsible for a crime wave in Preston **7.40** A victim who came face to face with a burglar **8.20** A light-fingered neighbour is caught stealing **9.00** Brit Cops: Frontline Crime UK **10.00** Road Wars: seasonal edition of the documentary looking at the work of the Thames Valley Police fast response unit **11.00** Killer in My Village: five back-to-back editions
4.00–6.00am Caught Red Handed

Pick +1 **Freeview** 92 **Freesat** 145 **Sky** 252

Sony Channel 48

Freeview 48 *(limited)* **Freesat** 142 **Sky** 157 **Virgin** 189

6.00am The Waltons **9.00** Hart to Hart **4.00pm** Charlie's Angels **5.00** TJ Hooker **6.00** Starsky & Hutch: triple bill. The duo pose as dancers **7.00** A police captain comes under investigation **8.00** The duo investigate a rape **9.00** Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?
1.00am Charlie's Angels **2.00** Hart to Hart **3.00** M*A*S*H **3.30** Rumpole of the Bailey: double bill **5.10–6.00am** Touched by an Angel

Sony Channel +1 **Freesat** 152 **Sky** 257

Horror Channel 70

Freeview 70 **Freesat** 138 **Sky** 317 **Virgin** 149

8.00am FILM Journey to the Centre of the Earth ★★ Fantasy action adventure **9.50** Highlights **10.00** Space 1999 **11.00** Mutant X **3.00pm FILM** Jurassic Hunters ★ Action thriller **4.50 FILM** Malibu Shark Attack ★ Action thriller **6.40pm FILM** Mammoth ★★ Sci-fi comedy thriller starring Tom Skerritt **8.30** Tales from the Darkside **9.00 FILM** Ultraviolet ★★ Sci-fi action thriller starring Milla Jovovich, Cameron Bright and Nick Chinlund. English, Vietnamese +subtitles. **10.45 FILM** Starry Eyes ★★★ Horror **12.40am FILM** Howl ★★★ Horror **2.30–4.30am FILM** FearDotCom ★

5 USA 21

Freeview 21 **Freesat** 129 **Sky** 141 **Virgin** 153

9.00am Murder, She Wrote (S) (AD) **3.00pm** Columbo: Any Old Port in a Storm (S) **5.05** Columbo: Last Salute to the Commodore (S) **7.05** NCIS: Los Angeles *Series 4.* Double bill. Sam's wife resumes her CIA cover, then Callen and Sam join a mobile NCIS team (S) **9.00** Law & Order: Criminal Intent (S) **10.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit *Series 13* Four episodes. A man's wife is abducted **11.00** The detectives try to track down a rapist **11.55** The team investigates a man preying on his biological daughters **12.55am** Benson and Stabler uncover an illegal adoption ring **1.55** CSI: Miami (S) (AD) **3.50–4.00am** Access

5 USA +1 **F'view** 57 (not 2-4am) **F'sat** 130 **Sky** 241 **Virgin** 185

5 Star 30

Freeview 30 **Freesat** 131 **Sky** 128 **Virgin** 151

8.00am Last Man Standing **8.20 FILM** Junior ★★★ Comedy (S) **10.30** Last Man Standing **12.20pm FILM** The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe ★★★ Fantasy adventure (S) **3.10 FILM** Santa Who? ★★ Seasonal comedy (S) **5.05 FILM** Alvin and the Chipmunks ★★ Part-animated comedy adventure starring Jason Lee (S) **7.00 FILM** The Spy Next Door ★★★ Action comedy starring Jackie Chan (S) **9.00 FILM** Dumb and Dumber ★★★★ Comedy starring Jim Carrey and Jeff Daniels (S) **11.10 FILM** Sex and the City 2 ★★ Romantic comedy sequel based on the hit TV series, starring Sarah Jessica Parker, Kim Cattrall, Cynthia Nixon and Kristin Davis (S)
2.05am Greatest Ever Christmas Movie Blunders (S) **3.05–4.00am** Riverdale (S) (HD)

5 Star +1 **Freeview** 56 **Sky** 228 **Virgin** 186

5 Spike 31

Freeview 31 **Freesat** 141 **Sky** 150 **Virgin** 154

9.00am Access (HD) **9.05** The A-Team (AD) (HD) **11.15** Police Interceptors (HD) **12.15pm** Traffic Cops (HD) **1.20 FILM** Pork Chop Hill ★★★★ War drama (BW) (HD) **3.25 FILM** Man with the Gun ★★★ Western (BW) (HD) **5.05 FILM** Seminole Uprising ★★ Western (HD) **6.45 FILM** The Ballad of Lefty Brown ★★★ Western (HD) **9.00 FILM** Wild Card ★★ Crime thriller starring Jason Statham and Sofia Vergara (HD) **11.00 FILM** Conan the Destroyer ★★ Fantasy action adventure (HD) **1.05am** Fights, Camera, Action! (HD)
2.00–3.00am Criminals Caught on Camera (HD)

5 Spike +1 **Sky** 250

5 Select 55

Freeview 55 **Freesat** 133 **Sky** 159 **Virgin** 152

9.00am Access **9.10** Paddington Station 24/7 **10.00** Cruising with Jane McDonald **11.00** The Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies **12 noon FILM** Christmas Confessions ★★ Romance starring Sarah Lancaster **1.55pm** GPs: behind Closed Doors **4.00** The Yorkshire Vet **5.00** The Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies **6.00** GPs: behind Closed Doors: double bill **8.00** The Yorkshire Vet **9.00** TV Animals Do the Funniest Things: clip show featuring badly behaved animals
12 midnight Deep-Sea Super Predator **1.00am** Sinkholes: Buried Underground **2.00** CSI: Miami: double bill **3.55–4.00am** Access

CBS Justice 39

Freeview 39 **Freesat** 137 **Sky** 148 **Virgin** 192

8.30am The Key of David **9.00** Diagnosis Murder **2.00pm** NCIS: five back-to-back episodes **7.00** 48 Hours: Mystery **9.00** CSI: NY: triple bill. A hip-hop artist is murdered **10.00** A teenager is strangled **11.00** Employees at a café are found dead **12 midnight** CSI: NY: double bill **2.00am** Ultimate Force **3.10** Bonanza **4.05** The High Chaparral **4.55–6.00am** Mission: Impossible

CBS Drama 71

Freeview 71 **Freesat** 134 **Sky** 147 **Virgin** 197

7.30am Tomorrow's World **8.00** Home Shopping **9.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **2.00pm** Medical Detectives: four editions **4.00** Judge Judy **9.00pm** Psychic Private Eyes: a woman who disappeared in 1995 **10.00** Medium: double bill. Allison becomes convinced she is a different person, then Allison dreams that Marie has died **12 midnight** Medium **3.00–6.00am** Judge Judy

Listings for **PBS America**, **Smithsonian** see over. **Film4** and other **Freeview movie** channels: **p108**

Yesterday 25

Freeview 25 **Freesat** 159 **Sky** 155 **Virgin** 129

6.00am Slow Train through Africa with Griff Rhys Jones (S) (HD) **7.10** History's Ultimate Spies (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** The World at War (S) (HD) **11.00** Planet Earth (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00pm** Sounds of the Sixties: a decade in British music **7.30** Archive performances from 1964 and 65 **8.00** Music by Tom Jones **8.30** Music by Bob Dylan **9.00** Music by Procol Harum **9.30** The flower power era (BW) **10.00** With Sandie Shaw **10.30** The world of psychedelia **11.00** Steam Train Britain (AD) (HD) **12 midnight** Trains That Changed the World (S) (HD) **1.00am** Slow Train through Africa with Griff Rhys Jones (S) (HD) **2.00–3.00am** History's Ultimate Spies: profile of Robert Cecil (S) (AD) (HD)

Yesterday +1 **Sky** 255 **Virgin** 200

Really 17

Freeview 17 **Freesat** 160 **Sky** 142 **Virgin** 128

6.00am Homes under the Hammer: properties in East Yorkshire, Kent and Surrey (HD) **7.00** Home Shopping **8.00** Homes under the Hammer (HD) **12 noon** Fantasy Homes by the Sea (HD) **1.00pm** Celebrity Antiques Road Trip (HD) **2.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad (HD) **4.00** Helicopter ER (HD) **8.00pm** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad: the work of Staffordshire Police (HD) **9.00** Ambulance: a suicidal man strikes a chord for paramedic Nina (HD) **10.00** Saving Lives at Sea: two students have jumped into the Thames (HD) **11.00** Into the Fire (HD) **12 midnight** Help! My House Is Haunted (HD) **1.00am** Ghost Chasers (HD) **2.00** Home Shopping **4.00–6.00am** Homes under the Hammer (HD)

Home 42

Freeview 42 **Freesat** 166 **Sky** 158 **Virgin** 279

7.00am Fantasy Homes by the Sea (HD) **8.00** My Dream Derelict Home (HD) **10.00** DIY SOS **12 noon** Fixer Upper (HD) **1.00pm** Escape to the Country (HD) **5.00** My Dream Derelict Home (HD) **7.00pm** Fantasy Homes by the Sea (HD) **8.00** Escape to the Country: double bill. Finding a rural home in Dumfries and Galloway, and people search for their ideal rural retreats (HD) **10.00** DIY SOS: four back-to-back editions **12 midnight** Fantasy Homes by the Sea (HD) **1.00am** Fixer Upper (HD) **2.00** House Hunters International (HD) **2.25** My Flat-Pack Home **3.15–4.00am** Nick Knowles's Original Features (HD)

Home +1 **Sky** 258 **Virgin** 283

Quest 12

F'view 12 **F'sat** 172 **Sky** 144 **Virgin** 169 **HD** **F'view** 114 **F'sat** 167

6.00am Chasing Classic Cars: four editions (HD) **8.00** Fifth Gear (HD) **1.00pm** Wheeler Dealers **6.00** Wheeler Dealers: double bill. Mike Brewer goes in search of a Porsche 993 Targa to renovate, then Mike and Edd China restore a Porsche 912E (HD) **8.00** Salvage Hunters: historic silks once used in the royal household (HD) **9.00** ***New.*** EFL: including Fulham v Leeds United, Cardiff City v Preston North End and West Bromwich Albion v Brentford (HD) **11.00** Nasa's Unexplained Files: a UFO crash and the discovery of water on Mars (HD) **12 midnight** The Unexplained Files (HD) **1.00am** Chasing Classic Cars (HD) **2.00** Wheels That Fail (HD) **3.00** Destroyed in Seconds **4.00** Airplane Repo: Mike Kennedy calls in his team to snag a Czechoslovakian fighter jet (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Overhaulin': a truck gets a makeover

Quest +1 **F'view** 76 (7pm-4am) **F'sat** 168 **Sky** 244 **Virgin** 213

Challenge 46

Freeview 46 **Freesat** 146 **Sky** 151 **Virgin** 164

7.00am Catchphrase (AD) **9.00** Wheel of Fortune **12 noon** Pointless Celebrities **3.00pm** Bullseye **6.00** The Chase Celebrity Special **7.00** The Chase Celebrity Special **8.00** The Chase Celebrity Special **9.00** The Chase Celebrity Special **10.00** Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? Celebrity Special **11.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? **12 midnight** Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? Celebrity Special **1.00am** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? **2.00** Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? Celebrity Special **3.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? **4.00** Bullseye **4.30–6.00am** Winter Wipeout

Challenge +1 **Freesat** 147 **Sky** 251 **Virgin** 230

BBC Parliament 232

Freeview 232 **Freesat** 201 **Sky** 504 **Virgin** 605

6.00am Political Highlights **10.15** Scottish First Minister's Questions **11.00** Scottish Parliament **6.00pm** Political Highlights: recorded coverage of political and parliamentary highlights **8.45** BOOKtalk: discussion of political publications **9.00** Briefings: key speeches and news briefings **11.00–6.00am** Political Highlights

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Moominvalley *1.00pm* A winter sports champion drops by

Sky 1

Sky 106 **Virgin** 110 HD **Virgin** 109

6.00am Futurama (S) (AD) (HD) **6.30** Aliens Love Underpants and Panta Claus (HD) **7.00** The Simpsons (S) (HD) **9.30** Gwen Stefani's You Make It Feel like Christmas (S) (HD) **10.30** ***New.*** Soccer AM (HD) **12 noon** The Simpsons (S) (HD) **1.00pm** RT **CHOICE** ***New series.*** Moominvalley **Children's choice, page 101** (HD) **2.00** The Simpsons (S) **3.00** Soccer Saturday (HD) **5.00** The Simpsons (S) (HD)

6.00pm The Simpsons The children are trapped in school. (HD) **6.30** Three yuletide tales. (HD)

7.00 ***New.*** **Global Citizen Prize** Leading activists are celebrated at the Royal Albert Hall. (HD)

8.00 Michael Bublé's Christmas in Hollywood With Celine Dion, Tori Kelly and Sharon Jones. (S) (HD)

9.10 Transformers ★★★★ Sci-fi action adventure. A teenager holds the key to the survival of the human race when aliens arrive on Earth. (S) (W) (HD)

11.45 In the Long Run Festive edition of the comedy. (HD) **12.20am** The Russell Howard Christmas Hour (HD) **1.25** Carpool Karaoke (S) (HD) **2.30** A League of Their Own Christmas Party 2018 (HD) **3.30** A Kylie Christmas (S) (HD) **5.30–6.00am** Motorway Patrol (S)

Sky 1 +1 **Sky** 206

Sky Arts

Sky 122 **Virgin** 123 HD **Virgin** 156

6.00am Pavarotti: 10th Anniversary Gala (HD) **7.15** André Rieu: Home for Christmas (S) (HD) **9.45** Happy Holidays with Bing and Frank (HD) **10.15** Andy Williams: Happy Holidays (S) **11.30** Discovering: Christmas Films (S) (HD) **1.00pm** The Eighties (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00** Celebrity Portrait Artist of the Year (S) (HD) **3.00** Johnny Cash: Song by Song (S) (AD) (HD) **3.30** Dolly Parton: Song by Song (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Gwen Stefani's You Make It Feel like Christmas (S) (HD) **5.00** It's Christmas Live from the Royal Albert Hall (HD)

7.00pm Michael Bublé's Christmas in Hollywood Festive special, with Celine Dion, Tori Kelly and Sharon Jones. (S) (HD)

8.00 Kylie: Showgirl: the Greatest Hits Tour The singer performs a selection from her back catalogue at London's Earls Court Arena, including *Can't Get You Out of My Head* and *I Should Be So Lucky*. (HD)

10.15 ***New.*** **Ed Sheeran: Austin City Limits** RT The singer/songwriter takes to the stage, performing hits including *Shape of You* and *Thinking Out Loud*. **See page 101.** (HD)

11.30 David Bowie: Glass Spider Tour A 1987 concert at the Sydney Entertainment Centre, with Bowie performing hits. (S)

1.45am Video Killed the Radio Star (S) (AD) (HD) **2.45** I Am Bruce Lee (HD) **4.45–6.00am** Bob Fosse: It's Showtime (S) (HD)



Without a Trace *8.00pm* Samantha tracks an amnesiac

Sky Atlantic

Sky 108

6.00am The Guest Wing (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** The British (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** David Attenborough's Kingdom of Plants (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Making of David Attenborough's Kingdom of Plants (S) (HD) **12 noon** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **4.00pm** Without a Trace (S) (HD)

6.00pm Without a Trace ***8/24*** *Series 4.* When a teenage boy goes missing, his parents are among the suspects. The couple feel frustrated and the episode is told from their perspective. **7.00** ***9/24.*** The team searches for FBI agent Max Cassidy. **8.00** ***10/24.*** Samantha is on the trail of an amnesiac who is not only a missing person, but may also be a killer. (S) (HD)

9.00 Game of Thrones ***3/10*** *Series 5.* In King's Landing, Queen Margaery spends time with her new husband King Tommen. **10.10** ***4/10.*** Jaime and Bronn head south and Ellaria and the Sand Snakes vow vengeance. **11.10** ***5/10.*** Jon enlists the help of an unexpected ally. (S) (AD) (HD) **12.20am** True Detective (S) (AD) (HD) **2.40** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **4.00–6.00am** Urban Secrets (S) (HD)

Sky Atlantic +1 **Sky** 208

Sky Crime

Sky 121 **Virgin** 136 HD **Virgin** 135

6.00am Motorway Patrol (S) **7.00** Highway Patrol **11.00** Stop, Search, Seize (S) **4.00pm** Brit Cops: Frontline Crime UK (S)

6.00pm Murders That Shocked the Nation The murders committed by John George Haigh.

7.00 Snapped The cases of two women who were suspected of committing horrific crimes against their husbands, but the cases went cold, leaving the victims' families devastated. (S) **8.00** Giselle Esteban became the prime suspect when a friendship turned into an obsessive romantic rivalry – leading to a deadly conclusion. (S)

9.00 Britain's Most Evil Killers The story of Dennis Nilsen, the London-based killer who murdered at least 12 men, and was caught when he started trying to flush his victims' remains down the toilet. (S) **10.00** A profile of Stephen Griffiths, who killed three sex workers in 2009 and 2010. (S)

11.00 World's Most Evil Killers The crimes of Jeffrey Dahmer, who killed 17 people between 1978 and 1991. (S) (AD)

12 midnight World's Most Evil Killers (S) (AD) **1.00am** The Killing of Jessica Chambers **3.00** In Ice Cold Blood **4.00** Murders that Shocked the Nation (S) **5.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol: the New Zealand highway patrol (S)

Sky Crime +1 **Sky** 221 **Virgin** 207



Blue Bloods *8.00pm* Danny goes to Frank for advice

Sky Witness

Sky 107 **Virgin** 112 HD **Virgin** 111

6.00am The Real A&E (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Firefighters (S) (HD) **12 noon** Paramedics (HD) **1.00pm** Air Ambulance ER (S) (HD)

4.00pm Nothing to Declare Six back-to-back editions following the work of customs and immigration officers in Australia. (S)

7.00 Blue Bloods ***3/22*** *Series 2* A bank robbery turns into a hostage situation. (HD) **8.00** ***4/22.*** Erin looks again at a rape case that was originally investigated by Frank. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit ***Ep 2*** *Series 21* Rollins and Fin immerse themselves in learning a new technique for interviewing witnesses. **10.00** ***12/23*** *Series 13.* The CEO of a private military contractor is found drugged and sexually assaulted in a park. **11.00** ***13/23.*** Benson and Amaro investigate an assault on an aspiring actress who had recently auditioned for a reality TV show. **12 midnight** ***14/23.*** The detectives struggle to find a motive when a gunman opens fire inside a family's home. (HD)

1.00am Blue Bloods (HD) **3.00** 9-1-1 (S) (HD) **4.00** Madam Secretary (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Nothing to Declare (S)

Sky Witness +1 **Sky** 207 **Virgin** 180

Sky 2

Sky 168 **Virgin** 160

7.00am 60-Minute Makeover (S) **9.00** Babylon 5 (S) **2.00pm** Stargate SG-1: five episodes (S) **7.00** Road Wars: double bill (S) **9.00** In the Long Run: it is Christmas on the Eastbridge Estate and Walter hosts the annual Easmon yuletide party **9.30** The Late Late Show with James Corden: Best of the Week: highlights of the talk show **10.30** Romesh's Look Back to the Future: comedy panel show, with Tom Davis, Jo Brand and Gino D'Acampo **11.30** A League of Their Own's Christmas Holiday **12.30am** The Russell Howard Christmas Hour **1.30** Duck Quacks Don't Echo (S) (AD) **2.30** Wild Vets (S) **3.30–6.00am** RSPCA Animal Rescue: five editions (S)

Universal TV

Sky 113 **Virgin** 122 **BT** 320 HD **Virgin** 121 **BT** 385

8.00am Law & Order: five episodes (S) (HD) **1.00pm** NCIS (S) (HD) **6.00** NCIS: double bill. A US Marine is suspected to have faked his own death, then the team hunts for a serial killer (S) (HD) **8.00** CSI: Miami: four episodes. Horatio testifies against a suspected terrorist **9.00** Natalia is arrested for murder **10.00** Frank finds himself in a precarious position **11.00** A government weapons truck is hijacked as part of a plan to allow a criminal to escape from jail (S) (HD) **12 midnight** CSI: Miami: three back-to-back episodes (S) (HD) **3.00–5.00am** Private Eyes (S) (HD)

Universal TV +1 **Sky** 213 **Virgin** 206



The Catherine Tate Show *9.00pm* Potty-mouthed Nan

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Sky 109 **Virgin** 125 **BT** 311 HD **Virgin** 211 **BT** 383

6.10am The Bill (S) (HD) **11.00** Tipping Point (S) (HD) **3.00pm** Tipping Point: Lucky Stars (S) (HD)

7.00pm Inside the Ambulance A newborn baby has breathing problems, paramedics treat an elderly lady who's fallen and hit her head, and crewmates investigate the worrying symptoms of a potential stroke victim. (S) (HD) **8.00** Paramedics help a patient who fears he's having his third heart attack, and an elderly woman who had a fall at home and may have been lying on the floor all night. (S) (HD)

9.00 The Catherine Tate Show Peter Kay guest-stars in the show, featuring the comedienne as an assortment of oddball characters. **9.35** With a guest appearance by Siobhan Redmond. **10.20** Jill Halfpenny guest-stars in the sketch show, as Catherine Tate takes on a variety of bizarre characters. (S) (AD)

11.00 One Born: What Happened Next? Revisiting some of *One Born Every Minute*'s memorable parents (S) (HD) **12 midnight** Luther (S) (AD) (HD) **1.15am** John Bishop in Conversation with John Cleese (S) (HD) **2.05–3.00am** Flack (S) (AD) (HD)

W +1 **Sky** 209 **Virgin** 190

Syfy

Sky 114 **Virgin** 138 **BT** 319 HD **Virgin** 137 **BT** 375

6.00am Marvel's Runaways **8.00** Home Shopping **11.00** The Librarians **12 noon FILM** Mystery Men ★★★ **2.20pm FILM** Lara Croft: Tomb Raider ★★ **4.30 FILM** Scrooged ★★★ Bill Murray comedy **6.30pm FILM** Hellboy ★★★ Horror action adventure starring Ron Perlman and Selma Blair **9.00 FILM** Doom ★★ Sci-fi action horror based on a video game, starring Karl Urban, The Rock and Rosamund Pike **11.10 FILM** Pet Sematary II ★★ Horror sequel starring Anthony Edwards **2.00am FILM** Universal Soldier 2: Brothers in Arms ★★ **4.00–6.00am FILM** Global Meltdown ★★

Syfy +1 **Sky** 214 **Virgin** 229

TLC

Sky 133 **Virgin** 167 **BT** 323 HD **BT** 377

6.00am Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **8.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress: Randy Knows Best: four episodes (HD) **12 noon** Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **8.00pm** Curvy Brides Boutique (HD) **9.00** Katie Price: My Crazy Life: double bill (HD) **11.00** The 12 Pops of Christmas: Dr Sandra Lee treats patients looking to fix their skin issues ahead of the festive season (HD) **12.30am** Katie Price: My Crazy Life (HD) **2.30** The 12 Pops of Christmas (HD) **4.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Say Yes to the Dress: Randy Knows Best (HD)

TLC +1 **Sky** 233 **Virgin** 172



Dial M for Middlesbrough *3.30pm* Gemma and Terry

Gold

Sky 110 **Virgin** 124 **BT** 310

7.10am 2 Point 4 Children **7.55** Wallace & Gromit: A Matter of Loaf and Death (S) (HD) **8.35** Last of the Summer Wine (S) **11.40** Wallace & Gromit: A Matter of Loaf and Death (S) (HD) **12.20pm** The Vicar of Dibley (S) (AD) **1.35** The Green Green Grass (S) (HD) **2.30** Blackadder's Christmas Carol (S) **3.30** Dial M for Middlesbrough (AD) (HD) **5.25** Only Fools and Horses (S) (AD)

6.45pm Only Fools and Horses The Trotters lose their millions. Christmas special from 2001. (S) (AD)

8.20 Trust Morecambe and Wise ***2/4.*** How the duo approached the themes of work and money in their comedy. (S) (HD)

9.20 The Vicar of Dibley A handsome newcomer wins the vicar's heart. (S) (AD)

10.30 The Royle Family: the Golden Egg Cup Jim and Barbara argue over what to do with a cash windfall. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.50 Live at the Apollo Nina Conti hosts a festive edition of the stand-up show. (S) (HD) **12.50am** Knowing Me, Knowing Yule…with Alan Partridge (S) **1.45** The Office (S) (AD) **2.45–4.00am** The Royle Family: the Golden Egg Cup (S) (AD) (HD)

Gold +1 **Sky** 210 **Virgin** 194

Comedy Central

Sky 112 **Virgin** 132 **BT** 307 HD **Virgin** 181 **BT** 370

8.00am Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon FILM** Goosebumps ★★★ Horror comedy based on the popular books by RL Stine, starring Jack Black **2.00pm** Michael McIntyre's Big Christmas Show: special live edition of the show **3.00 FILM** Gremlins 2: the New Batch ★★★ Comedy horror starring Zach Galligan and Phoebe Cates, and featuring Christopher Lee (HD) **5.00** Friends: eight episodes (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00 FILM** This Is 40 ★★★ Comedy starring Paul Rudd (HD) **11.45** Da Ali G Show (S) (HD) **1.00am** South Park (S) **3.50** Bob's Burgers (S) (HD) **4.15–5.00am** Impractical Jokers: double bill (S) (HD)

Comedy Central +1 **Sky** 212 **Virgin** 133

Lifetime

Sky 187 **Virgin** 208 **BT** 329 HD **BT** 384

7.00am Judge Judy (HD) **1.00pm** Marrying Millions (HD) **6.00** Flipping Vegas: an abandoned house draws the attention of unwanted guests (HD) **7.00** Little Women: LA: double bill. Christy seeks out marriage advice from Tonya, then Autumn and Cole come to blows (HD) **9.00** Psychic Kids: double bill. The psychics help a nine-year-old boy harassed by a dark entity, then the team work with two apparently gifted nine-year-old children (HD) **11.00** Psychic Kids: the Next Generation (HD) **12 midnight** Psychic Kids: the Next Generation (HD) **1.00am** Psychic Kids: double bill (HD) **3.00–4.00am** Psychic Kids: the Next Generation (HD)





Miss Marple *9.00pm* The sleuth receives a cryptic letter

Alibi

Sky 132 **Virgin** 126 **BT** 312 **HD** **Virgin** 212 **BT** 382

7.10am Father Brown: 11 back-to-back episodes (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm Father Brown *8/10 Series 6.* An investigation gets under way when a girl is left for dead at a boys school fête.
7.00 *9/10.* The locals are unhappy when an ostentatious American opens a golf club near Kembleford – only for a body to turn up in the reeds.
8.00 *10/10.* Following reports of Flambeau's death, the clerical sleuth races to protect a crown that contains a nail from the crucifixion of Christ. (AD) (HD)

9.00 Miss Marple *4/4 Series 2* The super-sleuth embarks on a journey around England after receiving a cryptic letter from a dead acquaintance. (S) (AD)

11.00 PD James: the Murder Room *1/2.* Crime drama. Adam Dalgliesh probes a case involving a family at war and a death that imitates a museum exhibition dedicated to real-life murders. (S)
1.00am *2/2.* The killing of Neville Dupayne is followed by further copycat murders, while Dalgliesh's investigations are complicated by his feelings for Emma. (S)
2.55–4.00am Rosewood (S) (HD)

Alibi +1 **Sky** 232 **Virgin** 191

Discovery History

Sky 171 **Virgin** 257

6.00am Dan Snow's Battle of the Somme **8.00** Tony Robinson's World War One **12 noon** The Somme: the First 24 Hours **1.00pm** Dan Snow's Battle of the Somme **3.00** Tony Robinson's World War One: triple bill

6.00pm Tony Robinson's World War One Tony looks at the final year of the conflict, revealing how German forces engaged in one last push – but were thwarted by British tactics and technology.

7.00 Dan Snow's Battle of the Somme The historian explores his great-grandfather's central role in the Battle of the Somme in 1916, one of the biggest disasters in British military history.

9.00 Doomsday: World War I Documentary examining how key figures in the Second World War were shaped by their experiences in the Great War.
10.00 How Charles de Gaulle and Hermann Goering's experiences during the Great War influenced the parts they played in the Second World War.
11.00 How the contrasting experiences of Adolf Hitler and Field Marshal Montgomery during the Great War contributed to their roles during the Second World War.
12 midnight The Somme: the First 24 Hours **1.00am** Doomsday: World War I **4.00–6.00am** Dan Snow's Battle of the Somme

Discovery History +1 **Sky** 271 **Virgin** 261



American Dad! *11.00pm* Roger poses as a marionette

Fox

Sky 124 **Virgin** 157 **HD** **Virgin** 199

8.00am Bull (HD) **9.00** Bones (HD) **11.00** The Mentalist (HD) **12 noon** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00pm** Bones (HD) **2.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** The Mentalist (HD) **4.00** Bones (HD) **5.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm The Mentalist *19/24 Series 4.* Jane sets up a robbery to catch a murderer. (HD)

7.00 NCIS *23/24 Series 12* The team members aid in a global investigation into an international terror group. (S) (AD) (HD)
8.00 *24/24.* Ned Dorneget's CIA officer mother Joanna Teague helps tackle the Calling following her son's death. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 The Fix *4/10.* Maya obtains surveillance footage of Jessica the night before her death.

10.00 Family Guy *Series 5* Chris is expelled from school.
10.30 Lois runs for mayor.

11.00 American Dad! *Series 13* Roger poses as Steve's marionette for a school talent show. (HD)
11.30 Stan is hunted across the Old West by bounty hunter Roger. (HD)
12 midnight Family Guy **12.30am** American Dad! (HD) **1.00** Family Guy **2.00** American Dad! (HD) **3.00** Family Guy: double bill **4.00–5.00am** Bull (HD)

Fox +1 **Sky** 224 **Virgin** 158

History

Sky 130 **Virgin** 270 **BT** 327 **HD** **BT** 379

6.00am Pawn Stars (HD) **7.00** American Pickers (HD) **8.00** Mega Pit Stops (HD) **10.00** American Restoration (HD) **11.00** American Pickers (HD) **12 noon** The Strongest Man in History **1.00pm** Conspiracy: Faking the Moon Landings (HD) **2.00** Conspiracy (HD) **3.00** Forged in Fire **4.00** Storage Wars (HD) **5.00** American Pickers: triple bill (HD) **8.00** Rome's Lost Legion (HD) **9.00** 300 Spartans: the Last Stand (HD) **11.00** The Russian Revolution (HD) **12 midnight** KGB: The Sword and the Shield (HD) **1.00am** Rome's Lost Legion (HD) **2.00** American Restoration (HD) **3.00** KGB: The Sword and the Shield (HD) **4.00** Rome's Lost Legion (HD) **5.00–6.00am** The Strongest Man in History (HD)

History +1 **Sky** 230 **Virgin** 271

Animal Planet

Sky 162 **Virgin** 251 **BT** 325 **HD** **BT** 378

6.00am Crikey! It's the Irwins: moving day arrives for Acco, the zoo's biggest crocodile (HD) **7.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (S) (HD) **4.00pm** Bondi Vet **7.00** The Zoo: a lemur is rushed to the health centre with a wound on its leg (HD) **8.00** Restoration Wild (HD) **9.00** Extinct or Alive: searching Vietnam for one of the last living specimens of the giant softshell turtle (HD) **10.00** ***New.*** Mountain Monsters: the team continues the search for the truth about the Waya Woman (HD) **11.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees: a puppy needs help (S) (HD) **12 midnight** Crikey! It's the Irwins (HD) **3.00am** Jeremy Wade's Dark Waters: giant halibut in Alaska (S) (HD) **4.40** Meet the Sloths (S) (HD) **5.10–6.00am** Jeremy Wade's Dark Waters (S) (HD)

Animal Planet +1 **Sky** 262 **Virgin** 259



Loch Ness Monster: New Evidence *9.00pm* Discoveries

Discovery

Sky 125 **Virgin** 250 **BT** 322 **HD** **BT** 376

6.00am Gold Rush: Dave Turin's Lost Mine: four episodes (S) (HD) **10.00** Gold Rush: White Water (S) (HD)

6.00pm Walking the Himalayas Levison Wood returns to the crash site to resume the journey. (HD)

7.00 Gold Rush Following the gold miners of the Yukon as they put everything on the line in the hopes of striking it rich. (HD)

8.00 Gold Rush: White Water Dustin and his crew race to get to the bottom of the plunge pool at Rainbows End. (HD)

9.00 Loch Ness Monster: New Evidence Top scientists reveal how a revolutionary study and advanced DNA technology were used to investige the mystery of the Loch Ness monster. (S) (HD)

11.00 Greatest Events of World War II Colourised archive footage depicts the atrocities of the Second World War, including the harrowing slaughter that took place at the Buchenwald concentration camp. (S) (HD)

12 midnight Loch Ness Monster: New Evidence (S) (HD) **2.00am** Bitchin' Rides (S) (HD) **3.00** Blowing Up History (S) (HD) **4.40** Alaska: the Last Frontier (HD) **5.30–6.00am** How It's Made (S) (HD)

Discovery +1 **Sky** 225 **Virgin** 258

Nat Geographic

Sky 129 **Virgin** 266 **BT** 317 **HD** **Virgin** 268 **BT** 373

8.00am Car SOS: ten editions (HD) **6.00pm** Car SOS: six editions. Tim Shaw and Fuzz Townshend restore a Triumph TR4 belonging to a man left unable to drive it by a stroke. However, it may be the biggest job they have ever taken on **7.00** Tim and Fuzz work on a classic Japanese sports coupe **8.00** Tim and Fuzz restore a 1930 Ford Model A **9.00** Tragedy strikes while Tim and Fuzz are fixing up a World Rally-winning car **10.00** Fuzz and Tim restore a 1965 German classic car for Lee, who has been unable to fix up the vehicle himself due to ill health **11.00** Tim and Fuzz get help from actor James Nesbitt as they try to fix up a 1959 MGA roadster that has been kept in a damp barn for over 40 years **12 midnight–5.00am** Car SOS (HD)

Nat Geo +1 **Sky** 229 **Virgin** 267

Eden

Sky 166 **Virgin** 245 **BT** 315 **HD** **Virgin** 247 **BT** 389

9.00am Spy in the Wild (HD) **1.00pm** Spying on Animals (HD) **2.00** Spy in the Wild: four editions (HD) **6.00pm** Spying on Animals: the history of camera technology in animal research **7.00** Spy in the Wild: four editions. Spy cameras go undercover in the animal world **8.00** The world of animal intelligence, ingenuity and creativity **9.00** How animals rely upon each other **10.00** Animals getting up to all sorts of mischief (HD) **11.00** Spying on Animals: the history of camera technology in animal research, showcasing many firsts in the field (HD) **12 midnight** Spy in the Wild: four editions (HD) **3.50am** Spying on Animals (HD) **4.40** Frontier Borneo (HD) **5.30–6.00am** Jungle Planet (HD)

Eden +1 **Sky** 266 **Virgin** 246



A History of Ancient Britain Special *9.50pm* Neil Oliver

PBS America 91

F'view 91 (1-11pm only) **F'sat** 155 **Sky** 174 **Virgin** 273

8.00am Born to Explore **9.15** Australian Wilderness with Ray Mears **1.00pm** The Bog Bodies **2.05** Body Hunters: the Unknown Soldiers **3.05** A History of Ancient Britain Special: Priests of Orkney **4.15** Archaeology: a Secret History

6.30pm Archaeology: a Secret History Discovering more about the ancient common man.

7.35 The Bog Bodies The investigation into two prehistoric bodies found in a peat bog near Dublin in 2004.

8.40 Body Hunters: the Unknown Soldiers Efforts to identify the bodies of two First World War servicemen.

9.50 A History of Ancient Britain Special: Priests of Orkney A 5,000-year-old temple in Orkney.

11.00 Australian Wilderness with Ray Mears The tricks of surviving the challenging conditions of the Australian Outback.
11.30 The survivalist explores the waterways of Kakadu, meeting an Aboriginal family whose members share with him the secrets of farming with fire and creating meals from the Bush.
12 midnight–2.00am Australian Wilderness with Ray Mears

PBS +1 **Freeview** 93 (HD only)

Smithsonian 99

F'view (HD only) 99 **F'sat** 175 **Sky** 195 **Virgin** 276

6.00am Baby New at the Zoo (HD) **6.30** Chile: a Wild Journey (HD) **7.30** Colombia Wild Magic (HD) **9.00** Aerial America (HD) **10.00** America's Hidden Stories (HD) **11.00** Mystery of the Nazca Lines (HD) **12 noon** Inside the Christmas Factory **1.00pm** Moby Dick: Heart of a Whale (HD) **2.00** Shackleton's Frozen Hell (HD) **3.00** Aerial America (HD) **4.00** America's Hidden Stories (HD) **5.00** Aircrash Alaska (HD) **6.00** Mystery of the Nazca Lines: huge geometric markings in Peru (HD) **7.00** Angkor: Land of the Gods (HD) **9.00** Wonders of Burma: double bill. A look at the country's shrines and temples, then the golden pagodas and ancient buildings (HD) **11.00** China's Forbidden City (HD) **1.00am** Mystery of the Nazca Lines (HD) **2.00** Siege of Masada (HD) **3.00** Gallipoli (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Aircrash Alaska (HD)

Sony Crime

Freesat 143 **Sky** 179 **Virgin** 193

6.00am Speeders **7.00** Bait Car: New Orleans **8.00** Bait Car: LA **9.00** Speeders **11.00** Bait Car: New Orleans **12 noon** Bait Car: LA **1.00pm** Speeders **1.30** Speeders: nine editions **6.00pm** Speeders: six editions. Officer Slaughter pulls over a gun-toting cowboy **6.30** A driver on their way to a prom is caught speeding **7.00** Deputy Rubel pulls over a repeat offender **7.30** A gaggle of party girls in Maryland **8.00** as 6pm **8.30** as 6.30pm **9.00** Bait Car: New Orleans: double bill of the documentary about car criminals **10.00** Bait Car: LA: double bill **11.00** Speeders: double bill **12 midnight** Bait Car: double bill **1.00am** Speeders **3.00** Bait Car: LA **4.00** Speeders **4.30** Speeders **5.00–6.00am** Bait Car: double bill

CHILDREN'S

Milkshake! on C5

Full listings for Channel 5 are on p104

6.00am Peppa Pig **6.15** Ben and Holly **6.30** Olly the Little White Van **6.35** Bob the Builder **6.45** Fireman Sam **6.55** RT **CHOICE** ***New.*** Thomas & Friends: Thomas gets lost down an old mine. **See p101** **7.20** Shane the Chef **7.40** Ben and Holly **7.55** Peppa Pig **8.15** Butterbean's Cafe **8.30** Paw Patrol **8.50** Nella the Princess Knight **9.00** Wisper **9.05** Pirata & Capitano **9.20** Floogals **9.35** Shimmer and Shine **10.00–10.10am** Digby Dragon

CBeebies 202

Freeview 202 **Freesat** 608 **Sky** 614 **Virgin** 702

6.00am Show Me Show Me **6.20** Twirlywoos **6.35** Teletubbies **6.50** Raa Raa the Noisy Lion **7.00** Postman Pat: SDS **7.15** Bing: double bill **7.30** Hey Duggee: double bill **7.45** Peter Rabbit **8.00** Go Jetters **8.10** Octonauts **8.25** Bitz & Bob **8.35** The Furchester Hotel: A Furchester Christmas **8.45** Biggleton **9.00** Something Special: We're All Friends **9.20** Footy Pups **9.40** A CBeebies Christmas Carol **10.20** Sarah & Duck **10.30** Swashbuckle **10.55** Andy's Safari Adventures **11.10** Maddie's Do You Know? **11.25** Waffle the Wonder Dog **11.35** Topsy and Tim **12 noon** My World Kitchen; Our Family Fun **12.15pm** Katie Morag **12.30** Sarah & Duck **12.40** Down on the Farm **1.00** Where in the World? **1.15** My Story **1.30** My Pet and Me: Winter Special **1.45** My First: Nativity **2.00** Something Special: We're All Friends **2.20** Andy's Baby Animals **2.30** Junk Rescue **2.45** My First Festival: Christmas **3.00** Bitz & Bob **3.10** Tree Fu Tom **3.35** Go Jetters: Glitch wants some festive cheer on Christmas Island **3.50** Swashbuckle **4.10** The Baby Club **4.25** Magic Hands **4.40** Treasure Champs **4.55** Woolly & Tig **5.00** GiggleQuiz **5.15** Apple Tree House **5.30** Katie Morag **5.45** Sarah & Duck **5.50** Charlie and Lola
6.00pm Tee and Mo **6.10** Clangers **6.20** In the Night Garden… **6.50–7.00pm** CBeebies Bedtime Stories: a tale is read for younger viewers before they go to bed

CBBC 201

Freeview 201 **Freesat** 607 **Sky** 613 **Virgin** 701

7.00am Arthur **7.15** Shaun the Sheep **7.20** Danger Mouse **7.35** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **7.45** ***New.*** MOTD Kickabout **8.00** Jamie Johnson: The Real Gothia Cup **8.35** The Dengineers **9.05** ***New.*** The Playlist **9.30** FOMO Festive Replay **9.45** Saturday Mash Up's Festive Mash Up **10.50** ***New.*** Nikki Lilly Meets: the vlogger meets some of the world's biggest stars **10.55** Operation Ouch! **11.25** The Dog Ate My Homework Christmas Special **11.55** Diddy TV **12.10pm** The Pets Factor **12.30** The Demon Headmaster **1.00** Dragons: Gift of the Night Fury **1.20** 4 o'Clock Club **1.50** Hetty Feather: eight episodes **5.45** ***New.*** A Week to Beat the World **6.10pm** The Pets Factor **6.35** Operation Ouch! **7.00** Show Me What You're Made Of: UK **7.30** ***New.*** BBC Summer Social Unseen **8.30–9.00pm** Horrible Histories

CITV 203

Freeview 203 **Freesat** 602 **Sky** 621 **Virgin** 734

6.00am Dino Dana **6.10** Super 4 **6.35** Thunderbirds Are Go **7.00** Dare Master **7.05** Robozuna **7.30** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **7.55** Be Cool, Scooby-Doo! **8.25** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **9.25** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **10.25** Mr Magoo **10.55** Wishfart **11.10** ToonMarty **11.25** Pokémon Sun and Moon **11.55** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **12.55pm** Scooby Doo! Haunted Holidays **1.25** The Bagel and Becky Show **1.55** Hotel Transylvania **2.25** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **3.30** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **4.30** Mr Magoo **5.00** Wishfart **5.45** Spy School **6.15pm** Pokémon Sun and Moon **7.10** The Bagel and Becky Show **7.35** Massive Monster Mayhem **8.00** Make It Pop **8.25** Project Z **8.50–9.00pm** Dare Master

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Discover film

The best of Sky, iPlayer, Netflix and beyond



From popes to Poppins

Welcome to a fabulously festive fortnight of Discover Film, your essential guide to pay TV, streaming services and free films on demand. Hold on to your remote, it's going to be a bumpy ride.

Sky Cinema is your home for the big family premieres this year, among them *Mary Poppins Returns* (choice, p156), highest-grossing film of all time *Avengers: Endgame* (choice, p166) and *Shazam!* (choice, p226).

Netflix has enjoyed a vintage year, building a library of originals from big-name film-makers, including David Michôd's Shakespearean mud bath *The King*, Alfonso Cuarón's Oscar- and Bafta-winning *Roma* (choice, p166) and Martin Scorsese's long-awaited saga of political graft *The Irishman* (see choice, p186), which I've been saving up as my personal choice of Christmas Day viewing.

Fresh from cinemas and new this weekend to Netflix is *The Two Popes* (pictured), a barnstorming two-hander between Anthony Hopkins, as prickly Pope Benedict XVI, and Jonathan Pryce as Cardial Bergoglio, his humbly doubtful successor.

This year has also seen BritBox and Apple TV+ join the on-demand revolution (Disney+ is on its way in March). But there is still plenty of free content to enjoy, too, courtesy of the catch-up services BBC iPlayer, My5, ITV Player and All4.

You'll find our picks from these platforms and more across the following pages. So here's wishing you a merry Christmas... and pass the remote! **ANDREW COLLINS**

Game, set and match

Borg vs McEnroe ★★★
BBC iPlayer **FREE TO VIEW**
If you missed its premiere last weekend, this tale of tennis rivalry is now on catch-up. Sverrir Gudnason plays ice-cool Wimbledon champion Bjorn Borg, who in 1980 was pitted against brattish contender John McEnroe (Shia LaBeouf). Their showdown is staged with flair and lightning-fast edits that really crank up the tension. **TERRY STAUNTON**





Bafta winners on the box
As part of your Christmas films coverage, we've picked out some of the big movies that triumphed at this year's Bafta awards, all of which can be seen on Sky Cinema, Amazon Prime, Netflix and iTunes. Look out for the seal of approval, left.

Film reviews for the week ahead begin on page 69
For more on-demand availability, see Discover TV on page 98

FREEVIEW

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F'view 14 **F'sat** 300 **Sky** 313 **Virgin** 428 **HD** **Virgin** 429

11.00am Stuart Little 2 ★★★ Amusing sequel. Geena Davis, Hugh Laurie (2002, U) (S) (AD)
12.40pm Dr Seuss' Horton Hears a Who! ★★★★ Terrific animated adventure. Jim Carrey, Steve Carell, Carol Burnett (2008, U) (S)
2.20 Night at the Museum ★★★ Entertaining comedy. Ben Stiller (2006, PG) (S) (AD)
4.35 Night at the Museum 2 ★★★ Fantasy action comedy. Ben Stiller (2009, PG) (AD)
6.45pm The Devil Wears Prada ★★★ Meryl Streep is at her acerbic best in this fashion-industry satire. (2006, PG) (S) (AD)
9.00 Lucy ★★★ Mindbending action yarn in which Scarlett Johansson takes an evolutionary leap after ingesting experimental drugs. **Review p85.** Morgan Freeman, Choi Min-sik, Analeigh Tipton (2014, 15) (S) (AD)
10.40 Area 51 ★★ Sci-fi "found-footage" horror from the director of *Paranormal Activity*. Reid Warner, Darrin Bragg (2015, 15) (S)
12.30am Army of Darkness ★★ Second sequel to *The Evil Dead*. Bruce Campbell (1993, 15) (S)
2.15–4.00am Killing Ground ★★★ Slow-burn survival shocker. Harriet Dyer (2016, 15) (S)
Film4 +1 **F'view** 45 **F'sat** 301 **Sky** 314 **Virgin** 430

Sony Movies 32

Freeview 32 **Freesat** 302 **Sky** 321 **Virgin** 425

9.10am Christmas in Wonderland ★★ Comedy. Patrick Swayze (2007, 12) **11.15 Fly Away Home** ★★★★ Biographical drama. Jeff Daniels (1996, U) **1.25pm Finding Neverland** ★★★★ Drama. Johnny Depp (2004, PG) **3.30 Seven Years in Tibet** ★★★ Drama. Brad Pitt, David Thewlis (1997, PG)
6.15pm The Rainmaker ★★★★ Francis Ford Coppola's riveting and well-cast courtroom drama. Matt Damon, Claire Danes (1997, 15)
9.00 Air Force One ★★★★ Stunt-filled thriller. Harrison Ford, Gary Oldman, Glenn Close (1997, 15)
11.25 Air Force Two ★★ Serviceable action drama. Mariel Hemingway, David Keith (2006)
1.15am In the Line of Fire ★★★★ Thriller. Clint Eastwood, John Malkovich (1993, 15) **3.55–5.50am The Lost Medallion: the Adventures of Billy Stone** ★★ Sci-fi fantasy. Billy Unger (2013, PG)
Sony Movies +1 **F'view** 60 (*limited* 10pm-5am) **Sky** 322

Sony Action 40

F'view 40 *(limited)* **F'sat** 305 **Sky** 323 **Virgin** 426

6.00am Suicide Commando ★★ Adventure. Aldo Ray (1968) **8.00 Ike: Countdown to D-Day** ★★★ Drama. Tom Selleck (2004, PG) **9.50 Wild Wind** ★★Drama. George Montgomery (1985) **11.35 Heroes without Glory** ★★ Adventure. Jeff Cameron (1971, 15) **1.20pm The Last Blitzkrieg** ★ Drama. Van Johnson (1958) **3.05** Pompeii
7.05pm Christmas Truce ★★ Wartime romance. Craig Anthony Olejnik, Ali Liebert (2015)
9.00 Ardennes Fury ★★ Low-budget war movie. Tom Stedham, Bill Voorhees, Tino Struckmann (2014, 15)
10.50 War Pigs ★★ Second World War drama. Luke Goss, Dolph Lundgren, Mickey Rourke (2015, 15)
12.40am Flight of Fury ★ Action thriller. Steven Seagal (2007, 15) **2.30–4.00am Seventeen and Missing** ★★ Mystery. Dedee Pfeiffer (2006)
Sony Action +1 **Sky** 324

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Freeview 81 **Freesat** 306 **Sky** 328 **Virgin** 445

6.10am Night Ride ★★ Drama. Julian Vedey (1937, U) (S) **7.40 The Goose Steps Out** ★★★★ Comedy. Will Hay (1942, U) **9.25 Konga** ★★ Sci-fi horror. Michael Gough (1960, PG) **11.30** Overseas Press Club – Exclusive! **12 noon The Treasure of San Teresa** ★★★ Drama. Eddie Constantine (1959, PG) (S) **1.45pm Father Brown** ★★★★ Comedy thriller. Alec Guinness (1954, PG) **3.30** Catweazle **4.00 Pool of London** ★★ Crime drama. Bonar Colleano (1950, PG) (S) **5.45 Play It Cool** ★★ Comedy drama. Billy Fury (1962, U)
7.25pm Guilt Is My Shadow ★★ Low-budget crime drama. Elizabeth Sellars (1950, PG)
9.10 Station Six-Sahara ★★★★ Steamy drama. Carroll Baker, Peter Van Eyck (1962)
11.10 Modesty Blaise ★★ Spy spoof. Monica Vitti, Dirk Bogarde (1966, 12) (S) **1.30am Night of the Demon** ★★★★ Horror. Dana Andrews (1957, PG)
3.30–5.40am Thunder Rock ★★★★ Supernatural drama. Michael Redgrave (1942, PG) (S)

Premiere

Sky 301 **Virgin** 401 **BT** 501

6.00am As 4.40pm **7.20 Family** ★★★ Comedy. Taylor Schilling (2018, 15) **8.50 A Wedding for Christmas** ★★ Romance. Cristine Prosperi (2018) **10.30** As 6pm **12.30pm** P **Little** As 8pm **2.25 Glass** As 10pm **4.40 The Ladybug** ★★ Animated adventure. Lisa Schwartz, Jon Heder (2018, PG)

6.00pm Bumblebee ★★★ The lovable robot befriends a teenage girl in this fun-filled, 1980s-set spin-off from the *Transformers* series. Hailee Steinfeld, John Cena (2018, PG)
8.00 P **Little** ★★ A horrid tech magnate learns some life lessons. Regina Hall, Issa Rae, Marsai Martin (2019, 12)
10.00 Glass ★★★ M Night Shyamalan's intriguing follow-up to *Unbreakable* and *Split*. Bruce Willis, Samuel L Jackson, James McAvoy (2019, 15)

12.15am The Flood ★★ Drama. Lena Headey, Ivanno Jeremiah, Iain Glen (2019, 15) **2.00 Accident Man** ★★ Action thriller. Scott Adkins (2018, 15) **3.50** As 7.20am **5.30** Hotel Mumbai Special
Premiere +1 **Sky** 312 **Virgin** 412

Hits

Sky 303 **Virgin** 403 **BT** 503

6.25am Big ★★★★ Comedy. Tom Hanks (1988, 12) **8.15 Black Panther** ★★★★ Adventure. (2018, 12) **10.35 Ant-Man and the Wasp** ★★★★ Adventure. (2018, 12) **12.35pm Ice Age 3: Dawn of the Dinosaurs** ★★★ Comedy. (2009, U) **2.15 Aquaman** ★★★ Adventure. Jason Momoa (2018, 12)

4.40pm Fantastic Beasts: the Crimes of Grindelwald ★★★★ Dazzling fantasy. Eddie Redmayne, Katherine Waterston, Johnny Depp (2018, 12)
7.00 Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse ★★★★ Clever animated adventure. **Choice, p118.** Jake Johnson, Shameik Moore (2018, PG)
9.00 Bumblebee ★★★ The *Transformers* favourite gets his own fun-filled spin-off adventure. Hailee Steinfeld, John Cena (2018, PG)

11.00pm Bridget Jones: the Edge of Reason ★★★ Romantic comedy. (2004) **12.55am Hot Fuzz** ★★★★ Comedy. Simon Pegg (2007) **3.00 Batman Begins** ★★★★ Fantasy. (2005) **5.30 2012** ★★★ Disaster movie. (2009)

Action

Sky 307 **Virgin** 407 **BT** 507

6.00am Iron Man As 3pm **8.15 Iron Man 2** As 5.15pm **10.30 Iron Man Three** As 7.30pm **12.45pm Captain Marvel** As 9.45pm **3.00 Iron Man** ★★★★ Classy adventure with a charismatic performance from Robert Downey Jr. Terrence Howard, Jeff Bridges, Gwyneth Paltrow (2008, 12)

5.15pm Iron Man 2 ★★★ The cocky superhero has problems with a revenge-seeking Russian baddie in this lively sequel. Robert Downey Jr, Mickey Rourke (2010, 12)
7.30 Iron Man Three ★★★★ Spectacular adventure brimming with breezy black humour. Robert Downey Jr, Guy Pearce, Ben Kingsley (2013, 12)
9.45 Captain Marvel ★★★ Classy galactic adventure. Brie Larson, Samuel L Jackson, Jude Law (2019, 12)

12 midnight Starship Troopers ★★★★ Satirical sci-fi adventure. Casper Van Dien, Denise Richards (1997, 18)
2.15am Armageddon ★★★ Sci-fi action adventure. Bruce Willis (1998, 15) **5.00** Sky Cinema Preview

Star Wars

Sky 302 **Virgin** 402 **BT** 502

7.45am The Clone Wars ★★ Animated sci-fi adventure. Matt Lanter (2008, PG) **9.30 Episode III: Revenge of the Sith** ★★★ Sci-fi adventure. Ewan McGregor (2005, 12) **12 noon** As 9pm **2.20pm Episode IV: a New Hope** ★★★★★ Classic sci-fi adventure. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher (1977, U)

4.30pm Episode V: the Empire Strikes Back ★★★★★ Superb space adventure sequel. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher (1980, U)
6.40 Episode VI: Return of the Jedi ★★★★ Luke Skywalker finally faces up to his destiny. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher (1983, U)
9.00 Solo ★★★★ Fun and exciting origins adventure for space buccaneer Han Solo. Alden Ehrenreich, Donald Glover, Emilia Clarke (2018, 12)

11.30pm Episode I: the Phantom Menace ★★★ Sci-fi adventure. Liam Neeson, Ewan McGregor (1999, U) **1.50am Episode II: Attack of the Clones** ★★★ Sci-fi adventure. Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman (2002, PG) **4.15** As 7.45am

Christmas

Sky 304 **Virgin** 410 **BT** 510

6.35am Mickey's Twice upon a Christmas ★★ Anthology. (2004, U) **7.55** As 2.40pm **9.45** As 4.30pm **11.25** Elf: Buddy's Musical Christmas **12.45pm The Polar Express** ★★★ Animated fantasy. Tom Hanks (2004, U) **2.40 Arthur Christmas** ★★★ Adventure. James McAvoy (2011, U)

4.30pm The Grinch ★★★ Vibrant animated fantasy. Benedict Cumberbatch, Cameron Seely (2018, U)
6.10 National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation ★★ Silly comedy. Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo (1989, PG)
8.00 Miracle on 34th Street ★★★ Warm-hearted fantasy. Richard Attenborough, Elizabeth Perkins (1994, U)
10.10 Bad Santa ★★★ Acerbic black comedy. Billy Bob Thornton, Lauren Graham, Bernie Mac, Tony Cox (2003, 15)

12.05am The Star ★★ Animated comedy adventure. (2017, U) **1.40** As 12.45pm **3.25 A Christmas in Royal Fashion** ★★ Romantic drama. Cindy Busby (2018) **4.55** Elf: Buddy's Musical Christmas

Musicals

Sky 308 **Virgin** 404 **BT** 504

6.00am Enchanted ★★★★ Fantasy. (2007, PG) **7.50** Frozen Fever **8.05 Mamma Mia!** ★★★★ Musical. (2008, PG) **10.00 Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again** ★★★ Musical. (2018, PG) **12 noon** As 11.30pm **1.00pm Grease** ★★★★ Musical. (1978, PG) **3.00 Grease 2** ★★ Musical. (1982, PG)

5.00pm A Star Is Born ★★★★ Captivating musical romantic drama. Lady Gaga, Bradley Cooper (2018, 15)
7.15 Labyrinth ★★★ David Bowie stars as the Goblin King in this fun fantasy. Jennifer Connelly (1986, U)
9.00 Mary Poppins ★★★★★ Two children find their lives transformed when a magical new nanny comes to look after them in this enchanting musical. Julie Andrews, Dick Van Dyke, David Tomlinson (1964, U)

11.30pm Cats Special **12.30am Saturday Night Fever** ★★★★★ Dance drama. John Travolta (1977, 18) **2.40 Carousel** ★★★★ Musical. Gordon MacRae (1956, U) **5.00** As 11.30pm

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Disney

Sky 305 **Virgin** 405 **BT** 505

6.20am As 2.55pm **7.45 Beauty and the Beast** ★★★★★ Animated musical fantasy. Paige O'Hara (1991, U) **9.15** Bao **9.25** As 6.10pm **11.15** As 8pm **1.15pm A Bug's Life** ★★★★ Adventure. Dave Foley (1998, U) **2.55 One Hundred and One Dalmatians** ★★★★★ Adventure. Rod Taylor (1960, U)

4.20pm Big Hero 6 ★★★★ High-energy animated adventure. Scott Adsit, Ryan Potter (2014, PG)

6.10pm Coco ★★★★★ Hugely entertaining Pixar adventure. Anthony Gonzalez, Gael García Bernal (2017, PG)

8.00 Incredibles 2 ★★★★ Irresistible adventure. Holly Hunter, Craig T Nelson, Samuel L Jackson (2018, PG)

10.00 A Wrinkle in Time ★★ A girl embarks on a multi-dimensional quest. Oprah Winfrey (2018, PG)

11.55pm Robin Hood ★★★★ Adventure. Brian Bedford (1973, U) **1.30am Fantasia 2000** ★★★ Animation. (1999, U) **2.50 A Wrinkle in Time** As 10pm **4.45 The Black Cauldron** ★★★ Adventure. John Huston (1985, U)

Thriller

Sky 309 **Virgin** 409 **BT** 509

6.20am Reprisal ★★ Crime action thriller. Frank Grillo (2018, 15) **8.10 Backtrace** ★★ Crime drama. Ryan Guzman, Sylvester Stallone (2018, 15) **10.00** As 6.55pm **12.10pm** As 9pm **2.15** As 11pm **4.50 The Untouchables** ★★★★★ Crime drama. Kevin Costner, Sean Connery, Andy Garcia, Robert De Niro (1987, 15)

6.55pm Collateral ★★★★ Hitman Tom Cruise forces taxi driver Jamie Foxx to assist him in a killing spree across LA. (2004, 15)

9.00 The Mule ★★★★ Clint Eastwood plays an old codger who discovers he's a natural at running drugs. Bradley Cooper (2018, 15)

11.00 The Shawshank Redemption ★★★★★ Enthralling prison drama based on a Stephen King story. Tim Robbins, Morgan Freeman (1994, 15)

1.35am Dark Crimes ★★ Crime thriller. Jim Carrey, Charlotte Gainsbourg (2016, 18) **3.20 L'Amant Double** ★★ Romantic thriller. Marine Vacth, Jérémie Renier (2017, 18) **5.20 Angel Flight Down** ★★ Drama. Patricia Kalember (1996)

Sci-Fi/Horror

Sky 311 **Virgin** 411 **BT** 511

6.00am As 4pm **8.10** As 2.15pm **10.00** As 6.10pm **11.50 Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom** As 8pm **2.00pm** As 10.15pm **2.15pm Gravity** ★★★★★ Space thriller. Sandra Bullock, George Clooney (2013, 12) **4.00 ET the Extra-Terrestrial** ★★★★★ Classic sci-fi. Henry Thomas (1982, U)

6.10pm Anna and the Apocalypse ★★★ Amusing zombie horror musical. Ella Hunt, Malcolm Cumming, Paul Kaye (2017, 15)

8.00 Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom ★★★ Well-made dino-adventure. Chris Pratt (2018, 12)

10.15 Jurassic World: Battle at Big Rock Spin-off short film.

10.30 Halloween ★★★★ Superior continuation of the killer saga. Jamie Lee Curtis (2018, 18)

12.25am The Running Man ★★★ Sci-fi thriller. Arnold Schwarzenegger (1987, 18) **2.10 The Omen** ★★★★ Horror. Gregory Peck (1976, 15) **4.10 Escape from the Planet of the Apes** ★★★★ Sci-fi adventure. Roddy McDowall (1971, PG)

Family

Sky 306 **Virgin** 406 **BT** 506

6.20am As 8pm **8.10** As 2.55pm **9.50** As 6.15pm **11.35** As 4.35pm **1.15pm Matilda** ★★★★ Comedy fantasy. Mara Wilson (1996, PG) **2.55 Rio** ★★★★ Comedy adventure. Jesse Eisenberg (2011, U) **4.35 Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 2** ★★★ Comedy fantasy. Bill Hader, Anna Faris (2013, U)

6.15pm Despicable Me ★★★★ Ruthless baddie Gru plots to steal the Moon. Steve Carell (2010, U)

8.00 Ferdinand ★★★★ The story of a bull with a big heart. John Cena, Kate McKinnon, Gina Rodriguez (2017, U)

9.50 The Flintstones in Viva Rock Vegas ★★★ Comedy. Mark Addy, Stephen Baldwin, Kristen Johnston (2000, PG)

11.25 The Witches ★★★ Blackly comic fantasy adventure. Anjelica Huston, Mai Zetterling, Jasen Fisher (1989, PG)

1.05am Home Alone: the Holiday Heist ★ Comedy. Christian Martyn (2012, PG) **2.45 All I Want for Christmas** ★★ Romantic drama. Gail O'Grady (2007) **4.30 The Flintstones in Viva Rock Vegas** As 9.50pm

Comedy

Sky 310 **Virgin** 408 **BT** 508

6.50am Humor Me ★★ (2017, 15) **8.25 Raising Arizona** ★★★★ Comedy. (1987, 12) **10.00 Gulliver's Travels** ★★★ Fantasy. (2010, PG) **11.30 Groundhog Day** ★★★★★ Fantasy. (1993, PG) **1.15pm About a Boy** ★★★★ Drama. (2002, 12) **3.00 That's My Boy** ★★ Slapstick comedy. (2012, 15)

5.00pm The Holiday ★★ Romantic comedy. Cameron Diaz, Kate Winslet, Jude Law, Jack Black (2006, 12)

7.20 Mr Deeds ★ Remake of *Mr Deeds Goes to Town*. Adam Sandler, Winona Ryder, Peter Gallagher (2002, 12)

9.00 Father Figures ★★ Road movie. Owen Wilson, Ed Helms (2017, 15)

11.00 The Object of My Affection ★★ A pregnant single woman falls in love with her gay roommate. Jennifer Aniston, Paul Rudd (1998, 15)

12.55am Slaughterhouse Rulez ★★ Comedy horror. Simon Pegg, Asa Butterfield, Michael Sheen (2018, 15) **2.40** As 10am **4.10** As 11.30am **5.55 Galaxy Quest** ★★★★★ Sci-fi spoof. Tim Allen, Sigourney Weaver, Alan Rickman (1999, PG)

TCM Movies

Sky 315 **Virgin** 415 **BT** 512 **HD** **Virgin** 416

6.00am Hollywood's Best Film Directors **7.00** Off Set **7.15 Saddle Tramp** ★★★ Western. (1950, U) **9.00 Ice Station Zebra** ★★★ Adventure. (1968, U) **12 noon Oklahoma Territory** ★★★ Western. (1959, U) **1.30pm The Hound of the Baskervilles** ★★★★★ Mystery. (1939, PG)

3.00pm The Kid from Texas ★★ Audie Murphy is riveting as Billy the Kid in this western. (1950, U)

4.50 Rio Lobo ★★★ Leisurely western in which a cavalry colonel seeks revenge for the death of his best friend. John Wayne, Jennifer O'Neill (1970, PG)

7.20 Fury at Showdown ★★★ Tense and moody western. John Derek, John Smith, Carolyn Craig (1957)

9.00 War ★★ Martial arts action thriller. Jet Li, Jason Statham (2007, 18)

11.15pm Three Kings ★★★★ Smart adventure. George Clooney, Mark Wahlberg (1999, 15) **1.35am Gremlins** ★★★★ Black comedy horror. Zach Galligan, Phoebe Cates (1984, 12) **3.30** Close Up

TCM Movies +1 **Sky** 316 **Virgin** 417

SPORT



Boxing *8.00pm* ***BT Sport 1***
It's the fight before Christmas for heavyweight Daniel Dubois

Sky Main Event

Sky 401 **Virgin** 511 **BT** 402 **HD** **Virgin** 501 **BT** 437

6.00am Sky Sports News **7.00** Good Morning Sports Fans **9.30** Saturday Social: football chat **10.30** Soccer AM **12 noon LIVE Championship Football** Cardiff City v Preston North End (kick-off **12.30pm**). **3.00pm LIVE World Darts** Day nine of the PDC World Championship from London. **4.30** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **5.00 LIVE Premier League Football** Manchester City v Leicester City (kick-off **5.30**). **8.00 LIVE World Darts** The PDC World Championship. **11.00** Sky Sports News **1.00am LIVE NFL** San Francisco 49ers v Los Angeles Rams. **4.50** My Icon: Pam Cookey **5.00–6.00am** Sky Sports News

Sky Football

Sky 403 **Virgin** 513 **HD** **Virgin** 503

6.00am Championship Highlights **7.00** League One and Two Goals **7.30** Championship Highlights **9.30** Saturday Social **10.30** Soccer AM **12 noon LIVE Championship Football** Cardiff City v Preston. **3.00pm** Soccer Saturday: live scores **6.00** Goals Express **7.00** Goal Zone **8.00** Championship Highlights **12 midnight** Greatest Players (AD) **1.00am** Football Years (AD) **1.30** Football Countdowns (AD) **2.00** SPFL Greatest Games **2.30** One2Eleven (AD) **3.00** Classic Play-Offs **4.00** Greatest Players (AD) **5.00–6.00am** Classic Play-Offs

Sky Golf

Sky 405 **Virgin** 515 **HD** **Virgin** 505

6.00am European Seniors Tour **7.00** Golf: Australian PGA Championship **11.30** Golf **12 noon** Golf: Australian PGA Championship **3.30pm** Golf **4.30** Golf: Australian PGA Championship **8.00pm** How the 2019 Presidents Cup Was Won **10.00** Golf: Australian PGA Championship **1.30am** Seniors Tour **2.30–6.00am** Chronicles (AD)

Premier Sports 1

Sky 412 **Virgin** 551

5.15pm LIVE Rugby Union Glasgow Warriors v Edinburgh. **8.00–10.00 LIVE Italian Football** Torino v SPAL.

Premier Sports 2

Sky 429 **Virgin** 552

12.00–2.00pm LIVE Spanish Football Mallorca v Sevilla. **5.00–7.20 LIVE Rugby Union** Dragons v Scarlets, in the Pro14.

Sky Premier League

Sky 402 **Virgin** 512 **HD** **Virgin** 502

6.00am Greatest Games **7.00** Preview **7.30** Match Pack **8.00** Premier League World **8.30** Preview **9.00** Match Pack **9.30** Saturday Social **10.30** Soccer AM **12 noon** Soccer Saturday **5.00pm LIVE Premier League Football** Manchester City v Leicester City (kick-off **5.30**). **8.30** Game of the Day **10.30** Premier League Highlights **2.00am** 100 Club (AD) **2.30** Premier League Highlights **5.30–6.00am** 100 Club (AD)

Sky Cricket

Sky 404 **Virgin** 514 **HD** **Virgin** 504

6.00am Women's World T20 Classics **7.00** Cricket's Greatest Games (AD) **8.00** Women's World T20 Classics **9.00** Cricket's Greatest Games (AD) **10.00** Cricket World Cup: a look back at India's 2019 World Cup campaign **8.00** Cricket World Cup: 2019 action **9.15** Best of Sky Cricket **9.45** World Cup Classics **10.00** KP: Story of a Genius **10.30** Best of England v South Africa **10.45** Cricket World Cup **12 midnight** How the 2012 World T20 Was Won **2.00am** Greatest Games (AD) **3.00** Women's World T20 Classics **4.00** Cricket's Greatest Games (AD) **5.00–6.00am** Women's T20 (AD)

Sky Action

Sky 407 **Virgin** 517 **HD** **Virgin** 507

6.00am Boxing Gold (AD) **7.00** Boxing **7.30** NBA **8.00** Wrestling **11.00** NFL **1.00pm** Great Sporting Moments (AD) **1.15** Rugby Union **2.15** World Rugby **2.45 LIVE Rugby Union** Ealing Trailfinders v Newcastle Falcons, in the Championship (kick-off **3.00**). **5.00 LIVE NFL** Tampa Bay Buccaneers v Houston Texans. **9.00** NFL Roundtable **9.25 LIVE NFL** New England Patriots v Buffalo Bills (k/o **9.30**); **1.00am** San Francisco 49ers v Los Angeles Rams (kick-off **1.15**). **4.50** Great Moments (AD) **5.05** NFL **5.30–6.00am** Henry & Bird

Sky Darts

Sky 408 **Virgin** 518 **HD** **Virgin** 508

6.00am Darts Gold **7.00** Legends (AD) **8.00** World Darts **12 noon** Darts Gold **12.30pm LIVE World Darts** The first session on day nine of the PDC World Championship. More at 7pm. **4.30** Darts Gold **6.30** Top Five **7.00 LIVE World Darts** Day nine of the PDC World Championship. **11.00** Darts Gold **1.00am** World Darts **5.00–6.00am** Darts Gold

Sky Mix

Sky 145 **Virgin** 520 **HD** **Virgin** 510

2.45–7.45pm LIVE Rugby Union Ealing Trailfinders v Newcastle; **5.15** Coventry v Nottingham. **10.00–12.30am LIVE NBA** Charlotte Hornets v Utah Jazz.

Eurosport 1

Sky 410 **Virgin** 521 **BT** 412 **HD** **BT** 435

7.00am Watts **7.20** Ski Jumping **8.20** Alpine Skiing: from Val Gardena, Italy **9.20 LIVE Alpine Skiing** **12 noon LIVE Biathlon** France. **12.40pm** Nordic Combined Skiing **1.05 LIVE Nordic Combined Skiing** World Cup in Austria. **1.50 LIVE Biathlon** France. **2.35 LIVE Ski Jumping** **4.45** Alpine Skiing **6.45** Biathlon **7.45** Ski Jumping **8.45** Alpine Skiing **10.45** Snowboarding **11.45** Freestyle Skiing **1.00–7.00am** Watts

BT Sport 1

Sky 413 **Virgin** 527 **BT** 408 **HD** **BT** 430

6.00am LIVE Australian Football Melbourne City v Melbourne Victory. **8.00** German Football **9.00** Premier League Preview **9.30** Mic'd Up **10.00** Early Kick-Off **12 noon LIVE Premier League Football** Everton v Arsenal. **3.00pm** BT Sport Score **5.00 LIVE Non-League Football** Solihull Moors v Barrow. **7.30** Non-League Football **8.00 LIVE Boxing** Daniel Dubois v Kyotaro Fujimoto in London. **11.30** T20 Cricket **12.30am** Premier League World **1.00 LIVE Volleyball** NCAA. **3.00** Italian Football **3.30–7.00am LIVE T20 Cricket** Melbourne Stars v Hobart Hurricanes, the Big Bash League.

BT Sport 2

Sky 414 **Virgin** 528 **BT** 409 **HD** **BT** 431

6.00am Scottish Football **7.00** Premier League Match Pack **7.30** Premier League Preview **8.00 LIVE UFC** From South Korea. **1.30pm** Rugby Union **2.30 LIVE Rugby Union** Leicester Tigers v Exeter Chiefs. **5.15 LIVE German Football** Hertha Berlin v Borussia Monchengladbach. **7.30** State of Play: the Manager (AD) **8.00** BT Sport Mic'd Up **8.30 LIVE American Football** Boca Raton Bowl and Las Vegas Bowl. **4.00am** Australian Women's Football **5.00–7.00am LIVE Australian Women's Football** Adelaide United Women v Canberra United Women.

BT Sport 3

Sky 417 **Virgin** 529 **BT** 410 **HD** **BT** 432

6.00am T20 Cricket **7.00 LIVE T20 Cricket** Sydney Thunder v Adelaide Strikers; **10.00** Perth Scorchers v Melbourne Renegades, the Big Bash League. **1.30pm** Italian Football **2.00** Australian Football **6.30** T20 Cricket **7.30 LIVE French Football** Paris Saint-Germain v Amiens. **9.45** Rugby Union **11.45** UFC **3.45am** BT Sport Reload **4.00** German Football **5.00–6.00am** French Football

BT Sport ESPN

Sky 423 **Virgin** 530 **BT** 411 **HD** **BT** 434

6.00am Around the Horn **6.30** ESPN FC **7.00** PTI **7.30** American Football **8.30 LIVE Australian Football** Perth Glory v Newcastle Jets. **10.30** American Football **7.00pm LIVE American Football** **5.30–6.00am** American Football

Eurosport 2

Sky 411 **Virgin** 522 **BT** 413 **HD** **BT** 436

6.00am Freestyle Skiing **7.00** Snowboarding **8.00** Watts **8.20** Triathlon **8.50** Swimming **9.50 LIVE Nordic Combined Skiing** World Cup from Austria. **10.45** Ski Jumping **11.45** Cross-Country Skiing **12.20pm LIVE Cross-Country Skiing** From Planica in Slovenia. **2.10** Alpine Skiing **4.10** Freestyle Skiing **5.10** Snowboarding **7.00** Freestyle Skiing **8.00** Cross-Country Skiing **9.00** Swimming **10.00 LIVE Swimming** Las Vegas. **12.20am** News **12.30** Ski Jumping **1.30** Biathlon **2.30** Ski Jumping **3.30** Snowboarding **4.30** Freestyle Skiing **5.30–7.30am** Snooker

Saturday Television

FIRST WEEK

SUNDAY Choices

The pick of today's TV



HEART OF COLD
Ebenezer Scrooge (Guy Pearce) has nothing to celebrate

PICK OF THE DAY

A Christmas Carol

9.00pm ***BBC1***

DRAMA *New series* Don't come to this expecting a rosy fable with Dickensian trimmings or you're in for a shock. Steven Knight (creator of *Peaky Blinders*, bear in mind) has conjured up a darkly reimagined, no-punches-pulled version of the great Christmas story, and although it won't be for everyone (and certainly not for kids), it has an icy cutting edge.

Guy Pearce is terrific as our anti-Santa. His Ebenezer Scrooge is a soulless husk of a businessman in Victorian London who quietly despises Christmas fripperies and makes hardworking clerk Bob Cratchit's life a misery. The workplace scenes between Scrooge and Bob (Joe Alwyn) have a nice low-key tension: the plot never advances far but boy, do we lap up the atmosphere.

They are intercut with scenes of Scrooge's late partner Jacob Marley (Stephen Graham) in the afterlife, as he learns that his release from purgatory will depend on Scrooge repenting of his heartless ways. Time for a little haunting...

DAVID BUTCHER

See feature: page 21

Dancing on Ice at Christmas

7.00pm ***ITV***

ENTERTAINMENT Two words: Gemma Collins. The former *TOWIE* star, whose frequent clashes with frosty judge Jason Gardiner were only overshadowed by an unforgettable face plant, is getting her skates on for this show. As well as meeting this year's 12 celebrity contenders (including H, Caprice, Michael Barrymore and Perri Kiely), we're also promised some blade action from judges Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean. But no Gardiner. He's been replaced by the generally "Fab-U-Lous!" John Barrowman, assuming he's made a full recovery from his recent neck injury.

JANE RACKHAM

Dragons' Den

8.00pm ***BBC2***

REALITY A cunningly Christmassy edition sees tremulous entrepreneurs approach Yule from various angles. Fancy a board game with the family that isn't bloody Monopoly again? One hopeful thinks he has the answer, but whether he'll win with the Dragons is uncertain. A safer investment seems to come from a US businesswoman who has an alternative to swiftly discarded wrapping paper – or how about the guy whose socks have charitable giving woven in? Then there's a line of candles with jewellery hidden inside, like posh, waxy Christmas puddings. Will that fire the dragons, or will they choke on the financial details? **JACK SEALE**

The Christmas Misadventures of Romesh Ranganathan

9.00pm ***BBC2*** *(N Ireland: 10.30pm)*

COMEDY Last time, they took him to the Arctic. This time, Romesh has refused to go anywhere cold for his Christmas trip. So instead, he's in the Sahara, and it's "brutally, life-sappingly hot". Is there anything he's looking forward to amid the dunes, the director wonders? "Just the sweet relief of death," replies Romesh.

It's that desert-dry wit that makes these travelogues enjoyable. His excellent guide shows him local desert attire (our host grumbles, "I feel like a Klan member with a head injury") and in all the beauty and solitude, Romesh learns a Christmas lesson, too. **DAVID BUTCHER** *See p47*

Escape to the Château at Christmas

9.00pm ***C4***

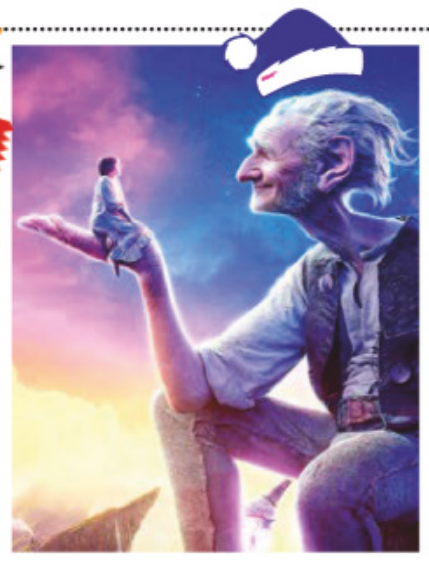
FOOD Why not pause for an hour as you try to find the end of the sticky tape to wrap that small hillock of Christmas presents that's dominated the spare room since July, and visit Dick and Angel Strawbridge?

The couple and their charming children Arthur and Dorothy are preparing for the festive season at the beautiful Château de la Motte-Husson. It's a glorious place to be at Christmas and the Strawbridges are the best of hosts as they prepare to entertain their friends and family with a traditional French Christmas.

And of course, no occasion is complete without a bit of nifty seasonal crafting from Angel.

ALISON GRAHAM

Children's Choices



The BFG
5.15pm ***BBC1***

Mark Rylance became Steven Spielberg's favourite actor when the stage legend was lured to the big screen for Roald Dahl's *The BFG*, in which orphan Sophie meets Rylance's benevolent 24ft giant and other more carnivorous ogres. Adapted by the late Melissa Mathison of *ET* fame, it's deft and affectionate.

Toy Story *1.50pm* ***BBC1***

It's impossible now to recall a time when animated features were not created on computers. In fact, though techniques have become more nuanced and "real" in the years since *Toy Story* marked the beginning of a new epoch in 1995, the differences are fairly subtle. The toys and the stories will outlive us all. For the first film we rewind to suburban child Andy's rejection of loyal pull-string cowboy Woody in favour of deluded space-age Buzz Lightyear. How did that work out?

Victoria
9.00pm ***ITV3***

DRAMA Prince Albert announces "Christmas is my favourite time of year!" So in an effort to stop a pregnant and uncomfortable Victoria from playing dreary tunes on the piano he would like to hear, he says, "one of your English carols". This lavish special from 2017 leaves us in no doubt about Albert's huge contribution to what's become the traditional British Christmas. Like bringing trees indoors. "I don't hold with these foreign ideas," tuts a servant as Albert (Tom Hughes) gets his axe and heads for the woods.

The celebrations are sumptuous and include a little girl called Sarah, given to Victoria (Jenna Coleman) by an African monarch as a "gift". **ALISON GRAHAM**

Star Trek: Discovery
9.00pm ***E4***

DRAMA *Discovery* – which first aired on Netflix – hasn't yet found its space feet, but this is par for the course with *Trek* spin-offs. They do take a while to acclimatise and for viewers to get used to a new crew. The trouble here is that we aren't offered enough time with the key players; instead, there are too many protracted scenes featuring Klingons wrestling with sub-*Game of Thrones* dynastic dilemmas.

In its favour, the impressive starship battles make the most of the show's sizeable budget. Though it's hard to believe all this takes place pre-Kirk. The technology seems far too advanced compared to the original series' 1960s view of the 23rd century. **DAVID BROWN**

Cunk and Other Humans on 2019
10.45pm ***BBC2*** *(N Ireland: 12.45am)*

COMEDY There's no new 2019 *Wipe* from writer and broadcaster Charlie Brooker this December, but he's given us the next best thing with this deadpan skewering of the year just gone. Join the famously dim Philomena Cunk (Diane Morgan), Barry S***peas (Al Campbell) and other Brooker creations as they look back at the biggest events of the past 12 months, be that the downfall of Theresa May, the rise of Joker or a tiny political issue called "Brexit". Previously shown as a week-long series of five-minute episodes earlier in the month. **HUW FULLERTON**



BEAR FACED LYRA
The Magisterium is closing in on Lyra (Dafne Keen) and Iorek Byrnison

His Dark Materials *8.00pm* ***BBC1***

DRAMA The end is nigh – or is it? Tonight sees the finale this saga has been building to, but we don't need an alethiometer to know that more series are coming. (The second has just finished filming, to be broadcast next year.)

There's a long way further to delve into Philip Pullman's fantasy world(s), so at this stage we shouldn't expect a happy ending. And we don't get one – far from it. Instead, there's the sense of a gathering storm as we open on a fleet of airships full of heavily armed Magisterium soldiers.

They're heading north to Asriel's mountain base, where Lyra finally tracked him down last week. But their father-daughter time involves a clear-the-air chat that does anything but. In an unguarded moment, her sweet friend Roger mutters, "Parents are more trouble than they're worth," and he's got a point. **DAVID BUTCHER**

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Country Music with Ken Burns
iPlayer
(eps 1 & 2 expire today)

Documentary maestro Ken Burns spent eight years making this epic series, which ably blends famous and obscure names to tell the whole story of that most American of music genres. There'll be plenty of artists you don't know in the opening episode, which takes you all the way back to the dawn of the hillbilly tradition.

Future Man
NowTV/Sky Box Sets

A smart US fantasy series created by Howard Overman of *Misfits* fame. A lonely janitor suddenly becomes a time-travelling hero when the characters from his favourite game come alive. **JS**

BEST LIVE SPORT



■ **Premier League Football** *1pm* ***Sky PL/*** *2pm* ***Main Event:*** **Watford v Man Utd** *(k/o 2pm);* **Spurs v Chelsea** *(k/o 4.30pm)* A reunion for Jose Mourinho.

■ **Darts: World Championship, day ten** *12.30pm* ***Sky Darts;*** *7pm* ***Sky Darts/Main Event***

■ **Rugby Union: London Irish v Bath** *2.30pm (k/o 3pm)* ***BT1***

■ **Equestrianism: Olympia Grand Prix** *6pm* ***BBC red button***

P FILM OF THE DAY

Office Christmas Party
10.00pm ***C4***

Likeable festive comedy starring Jennifer Aniston and Jason Bateman. **See page 72**

LMK/DISNEY; GETTY

SUNDAY Main Channels

DAYTIME

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast Roger Johnson, Nina Warhurst. (S) (HD)

7.35 Match of the Day Shown yesterday 10.30/10.20pm (S) (HD)

9.05 Britain's Christmas Story *2/2.* Gareth Malone and Karen Gibson look at Victorian traditions. (S) (HD)

10.05 Home ★★★ Animated sci-fi adventure featuring the voice of Rihanna. When an alien lands on Earth, she forms an unlikely partnership with a teenager to help find her mother.
Director Tim Johnson (2014, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.30 Snow Bears The eventful story of two polar bear cubs undertaking the journey of a lifetime. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

12.30pm Hold the Sunset Edith and Phil plan a family Christmas before moving to the Med. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

1.00 BBC News Weather for the Week Ahead (S) (HD)

1.15 Songs of Praise: the Big Sing *1/2.* Katherine Jenkins performs at the Assembly Hall in Belfast. (S) (HD)

1.50–3.05 Toy Story ★★★★★ Animated adventure with the voices of Tom Hanks and Tim Allen. Woody is Andy's favourite toy, but when Andy receives Buzz Lightyear, a rivalry is born. **Review p73; Children's Choice, p111.** Director John Lasseter (1995, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

BBC2

6.15am The Instant Gardener Breathing new life into an overgrown garden in Bradford. (R) (S) (HD)

7.05 This Farming Life New entrant crofting couple Lynn and Sandra send their pigs to slaughter. (R) (S) (HD)

8.05 Countryfile In Buckinghamshire, Matt Baker joins a group of schoolchildren on their first visit to a farm. Shown last Sunday BBC1 Signed repeat tomorrow 3.30am (S) (HD)

9.00 MasterChef: the Professionals The winning chef is finally decided. Shown last Thursday (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites Highlights. (S) (HD)

11.30 The Sweet Makers at Christmas Confectioners re-create the treats of Christmas past. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

12.30pm Westerns: Talking Pictures Archive BBC interviews with the stars of westerns. (R) (S) (HD)

1.10–3.40 Paint Your Wagon ★★★ Comedy western based on the Lerner and Loewe musical, starring Lee Marvin, Clint Eastwood and Jean Seberg.
Director Joshua Logan (1969, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

ITV

6.00am CITV See page 117 **8.25 ITV News** (S) (HD)

8.30 The Sara Cox Show With studio guests Will Young, Chris Kamara and Marian Keyes. (S) (HD)

9.25 Beautiful Baking with Juliet Sear *8/10* Party canapés. Repeated Saturday 28 December 1.35pm (S) (HD)

10.25 John and Lisa's Christmas Kitchen *8/10* Seasonal recipes. Rptd Saturday 28 December 11.35am (S) (HD)

11.25 Nadia's Family Feasts *8/10.* Alex Hollywood joins Nadia. Repeated Saturday 28 December 12.35pm (S) (HD)

12.25pm ITV News Weather; Regional Weather (S) (HD)

12.35 Midsomer Murders Second Sight. Suspicious scorch marks on a dead man's head lead Barnaby and Scott to discover sinister family secrets. (R) (S) (AD)

2.35 How to Spend It Well at Christmas with Phillip Schofield *3/3* *Series 3.* A guide to food and drink. Shown last Tuesday Repeated tomorrow 5.05am (S) (AD) (HD)

3.35–4.35 The Big Soap Quiz: Coronation Street v Emmerdale Stephen Mulhern hosts a clash between the casts of ITV's biggest soaps. Shown last Thursday (S) (HD)

Channel 4

6.05am Freaky Friday ★★★ Comedy starring Jodie Foster. Annabel and her mother switch bodies for a day and face the consequences.
Director Gary Nelson (1976, U) (S) (W) (HD)

7.45 The Harry Hill Movie ★★ Comedy starring Harry Hill and Julie Walters. Harry and his Nan take a road trip to Blackpool on a special mission.
Director Steve Bendelack (2013, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

9.30 Christmas Brunch Joanna Scanlan and Helen George talk to presenters Tim Lovejoy and Simon Rimmer about their projects, and Oh Wonder perform *This Christmas* live in the studio. (S) (HD)

12.30pm The Simpsons Six episodes. (R) (S) (AD)

3.25 The Borrowers ★★★ Fantasy adventure with John Goodman. Mary Norton's story of a family of tiny people living under the floors of a home.
Director Peter Hewitt (1997, U) (S) (W) (HD)

5.05–5.15 Channel 4 News Sport; Weather (S) (HD)

BBC1



A Christmas Carol *9.00pm* Guy Pearce stars as Scrooge in a dark retelling of the Dickens story

3.05pm Penguins of Madagascar ★★★

Animated comedy spin-off, featuring the voices of John Malkovich and Benedict Cumberbatch. The resourceful penguins try to stop a malevolent mollusc from destroying the world. **Review page 72.**
Directors Eric Darnell and Simon J Smith (2014, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

4.30 Merry Madagascar

The animals deliver Santa's presents. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

4.50 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

5.15 The BFG ★★★

Fantasy adventure starring Mark Rylance. Ten-year-old Sophie is taken from her orphanage home to a land of giants. **Children's Choice, p111.**
Director Steven Spielberg (2016, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

7.00 Countryfile

John Craven and the team are at Tyntesfield in Somerset, a stately pile that celebrates Christmas in a high Victorian style. Anita Rani makes eco Christmas cards, Ellie Harrison discovers how the estate's trees are protected, and Adam Henson helps out with the cheesemaking. Includes **Weather for the Week Ahead**.
Series producer Joanna Brame; Executive producer Bill Lyons
Repeated Sunday 29 December 6.30am BBC2 (S) (HD)

8.00 His Dark Materials

RT *8/8.* **Betrayal.** As the Magisterium closes in, Lyra learns more about Asriel's rebellion. But helping him out comes at a great personal cost to her. **See page 111.**

Lyra Belacqua	**Dafne Keen**	Fra Pavel	**Frank Bourke**
Mrs Coulter	**Ruth Wilson**	Thomas	**Robert Emms**
Carlo Boreal	**Ariyon Bakare**	The Pale-Faced Man	**Jamie Wilkes**
Thorold	**Gary Lewis**	Iorek Byrnison	**Joe Tandberg**
Roger Parslow	**Lewin Lloyd**	WPC Jenkins	**Cath Whitefield**
Will Parry	**Amir Wilson**	Voice of Stelmaria	**Helen McCrory**
Lord Asriel	**James McAvoy**	Voice of Pantalaimon	**Kit Connor**
Father MacPhail	**Will Keen**	Voice of Salcilia	**Eloise Little**

Dramatised by Jack Thorne; Producer Laurie Borg
Director Jamie Childs (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 A Christmas Carol

RT ***New series. 1/3.*** Steven Knight of *Peaky Blinders* fame takes on the classic Dickens tale, starring Guy Pearce as Scrooge and Stephen Graham as his dead business partner, Jacob Marley. Continues tomorrow 9.05pm. **See page 110.**

Ebenezer Scrooge	**Guy Pearce**	Mr Hooper	**Dan Fredenburgh**
Jacob Marley	**Stephen Graham**	Fred	**Adam Nagaitis**
Lottie	**Charlotte Riley**	Headmaster	**Adrian Lukis**
Bob Cratchit	**Joe Alwyn**	Congregation member	**Earl Carpenter**
Mary Cratchit	**Vinette Robinson**	Miner's son	**Callum Evans**
Belinda Cratchit	**Tiarna Williams**	Rag and bone man	**Elliot Warren**
Tim Cratchit	**Lenny Rush**	Chestnut seller	**Niamh Lynch**
Spirit of Christmas Past	**Andy Serkis**	Blacksmith	**Andrew Popoola**
Future Spirit	**Jason Flemyng**	Carol singer	**Harriet Turnbull**
Franklin Scrooge	**Jonny Harris**	Chestnut roaster	**Matthew Castle**
Ali Baba	**Kayvann Novak**	Wounded woman	**Amy Bowden**
Mr Thwaites	**Delroy Atkinson**	Miner	**Iwan Davies**
Young Scrooge	**Billy Barratt**	Spirit/Businessman	**Paul Chahidi**
Young Lottie	**Carmel Laniado**	Mill owner	**Thomas Arnold**
Spirit/Coal miner	**Gruffudd Glyn**	Grown miner's son	**Tom Medcalf**
Martha Cratchit	**Remmie Milner**	Old lady	**Ninette Finch**

Producer Julian Stevens; Director Nick Murphy (S) (AD) (HD)
See feature: page 21

10.00 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

10.30 Match of the Day 2

Highlights of Arsenal v Chelsea, Liverpool v Wolves and Manchester City v Sheffield United. (S) (HD)

11.30 The Women's World Cup Review

A look back at this year's tournament in France. (S) (HD)

12 midnight Doddie Weir: One More Try The Scottish rugby star's battle against motor neurone disease.
Shown Saturday 14 December (S) (HD)
1.00am Weather for the Week Ahead (S) (HD)
1.05–6.00am BBC News (S) (HD)

BBC1 Freeview 1 Freesat 101 Sky 101 Virgin 101
HD Freeview 101 Freesat 106 Sky 115 Virgin 108

BBC2



The Christmas Misadventures of Romesh Ranganathan *9.00pm* Surviving the Saharan heat

3.40pm Finding Neverland ★★★★

Fantasy. In the early 1900s, a writer's career is reinvigorated when he befriends four fatherless boys and their recently widowed mother. **Review p72.**

Sir James Matthew Barrie	**Johnny Depp**	Mary Ansell Barrie	**Radha Mitchell**
Sylvia Llewelyn Davies	**Kate Winslet**	Charles Frohman	**Dustin Hoffman**
Mrs Emma du Maurier	**Julie Christie**	"Peter Pan"	**Kelly Macdonald**

Director Marc Forster (2004, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

5.15 Porridge

Fletch discovers fellow inmates at Slade Prison are planning an escape. Festive edition from 1975.
Writers Dick Clement and Ian La Frenais; Producer Sydney Lotterby (R) (S)

6.00 Chris and Michaela: under the Christmas Sky

Chris Packham and Michaela Strachan visit Jordan as they go in search of the Star of Bethlehem.
Director/Producer Kim Maddever (R) (S) (HD)

BBC RED BUTTON 6.00–10.25 Equestrianism Coverage of the Grand Prix from the Olympia Horse Show in London

7.00 Top Gear

Freddie Flintoff and Paddy McGuinness head to Borneo for a jungle adventure with the Gurkhas in a pair of very cheap – but rare – old cars.
Series producer Nick Dalton; Exec producer Alex Renton (R) (S) (HD)

8.00 Dragons' Den

RT Dragons' Den is back but there's no guarantee of any goodwill towards a new batch of hopefuls from Dragons Peter Jones, Deborah Meaden, Touker Suleyman, Tej Lalvani and newcomer Sara Davies. Tonight, a man with an idea for a buy-one give-one sock business tries his luck. **See p110.**
Series producer Samantha Davies; Exec producer Chi Ukairo (S) (AD) (HD)
Dragons' Den: Pitches to Riches? 8pm Christmas Eve

9.00 The Christmas Misadventures of Romesh Ranganathan

RT ***5/5*** *Series 2.* Having travelled to the Arctic to film his Christmas special last year, Romesh now finds himself in the Sahara. The heat makes everyone irritable but, guided by Bobo, a local of Berber descent, he meets nomads who are able to survive in the middle of the unrelenting landscape. **See p110.**
Director Chris Cottam; Producer Laura Senior (S) (AD) (HD)
See feature: page 47

10.00 The Ranganation: Best Bits

Highlights from Romesh Ranganathan's topical comedy show in which the host, guests and audience discuss the news events of the week.
Director Barbara Wiltshire, Series producer Mark Barrett (S) (HD)

10.45 Cunk and Other Humans on 2019

RT Compilation in which Philomena Cunk and friends take a satirical look back at the significant events of the year. **See page 111.**
Producer Ali Marlow; Executive producers Charlie Brooker and Annabel Jones (Revised repeat) (S) (AD) (HD)

11.15 Mock the Week

Seasonal material, out-takes and unseen moments.
Producer Ewan Phillips (R) (S) (HD)

11.50 Starter for 10 ★★★★

Coming-of-age comedy starring James McAvoy. It's 1985 and as gawky swot Brian Jackson is given the opportunity to fulfil his dream of appearing on *University Challenge*, he falls for his glamourous team-mate and forms a plan to win her heart.
Director Tom Vaughan (2006, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.20–4.05am Sign Zone 1.20 Inside the Supermarket *5/6* Sainsbury's tests out two new food brands. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
2.20 Best House in Town Properties in Cardiff. (R) (S)
3.05 Holby City Lofty and Dom prepare to renew their wedding vows. Shown last Tuesday BBC1 (S) (AD) (HD)

BBC2 Freeview 2 Freesat 102 Sky 102 Virgin 102
HD Network Freeview 102 Freesat 102 Sky 102 Virgin 102

ITV



Dancing on Ice at Christmas *7.00pm* Newbie Maura Higgins gets advice from Torvill and Dean

4.35pm ITV News Weather (S) (HD)

4.45 Regional News Weather (S) (HD)

5.00 Pride of Britain: Celebrating 20 Years

Carol Vorderman goes on the road to meet some of the most remarkable Pride of Britain award winners from the past 20 years. She helps crime-fighting milkman Tony Fowler on his round and catches up with Rachel Edwards, who won the Child of Courage award in 2001.
Producer Meyrick Cook; Series producer Tom Whitrow (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00 Celebrity Catchphrase

A celebrity edition of the quiz show sees Davina McCall, Jarvis Cocker and Jo Brand try to win £50,000 for the charity of their choice. Presented by Stephen Mulhern.
Director Geraldine Dowd; Series producer Sam Munday (S) (HD)

7.00 Dancing on Ice at Christmas

RT ***New series.*** Phillip Schofield and Holly Willoughby host proceedings as the latest crop of famous faces skate into the spotlight for the first time in this seasonal special. The dynamite dozen are magician Ben Hanlin, Ian "H" Watkins from Steps, model Caprice Bourret, ex-footballer Kevin Kilbane, *Coronation Street*'s Lisa George, newsreader Lucrezia Millarini, Paralympian Libby Clegg, Maura Higgins from *Love Island*, dancer Perri Kiely, talk show host Trisha Goddard, actor Joe Swash and veteran funnyman Michael Barrymore. In addition, skating legends Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean will be performing a routine as well as heading up the judging panel alongside Ashley Banjo and John Barrowman. **See page 110.**
Series producers Anna Dunkley and Sam Rees-Jones; Exec producer Clodagh O'Donoghue Rptd Sunday 29 December 12.30pm (S) (HD)

9.00 Quantum of Solace ★★★

Spy adventure. Following betrayal by his lover, secret agent James Bond embarks upon a globe-trotting mission to discover the truth. Soon, 007 comes into contact with the shadowy Quantum organisation, whose intentions are decidedly sinister... English, Spanish, Italian, French +subtitles. **Review p72.**

James Bond	**Daniel Craig**	Mr Slate	**Neil Jackson**
Camille	**Olga Kurylenko**	Bill Tanner	**Rory Kinnear**
Dominic Greene	**Mathieu Amalric**	Foreign Secretary	**Tim Pigott-Smith**
M	**Judi Dench**	General Medrano	**Joaquín Cosío**
Rene Mathis	**Giancarlo Giannini**	Guy Haines	**Paul Ritter**
Agent Fields	**Gemma Arterton**	Corrine	**Stana Katic**
Felix Leiter	**Jeffrey Wright**	Ocean Sky receptionist	**Sarah Hadland**
Mr White	**Jesper Christensen**	Perla de las Dunas receptionist	
Gregg Beam	**David Harbour**		**Oona Chaplin**

Director Marc Forster (2008, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
Skyfall is on Boxing Day at 8.30pm

11.05 ITV News

Weather; Regional Weather (S) (HD)

11.25 Ball and Boe: a Very Merry Christmas

Following the success of their joint albums and tours, Michael and Alfie reunite for a seasonal show. Warbling new material and traditional favourites, the duo are joined by Luke Evans, Dame Shirley Bassey and Gregory Porter.
Director Richard Valentine; Executive producer Sue Andrew
Shown last Friday (S) (HD)

12.20am Home Shopping
3.00 Nightscreen Text information. (HD)
5.05–6.00am How to Spend It Well at Christmas with Phillip Schofield *2/3.* Phillip introduces a guide to this year's must-have toys. (R) (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)

ITV Freeview 3 Freesat 103 Sky 103 Virgin 103
+1 F'view 33 F'sat 112 Sky 203 Virgin 114 HD F'view 103 F'sat 111 Sky 103 Virgin 113

Channel 4



Office Christmas Party *10.00pm* Josh keeps an eye on the party, but it soon starts to spin out of control

5.15pm Food Unwrapped: Cracking Christmas Guide

Jimmy Doherty, Kate Quilton, Matt Tebbutt and Dr Helen Lawal test three novel turkey-cooking methods against the clock and share some time-saving tips for prepping your parsnips.
Directors Nicola Ollivere, Rebecca Whitefoot and Kirsty Seager
Series producer George Harris Shown last Wed (S) (AD) (HD)

6.15 Inside Cadbury: Chocolate Secrets Unwrapped

Examining one of Britain's best-loved chocolate makers as scientists struggle to meet the biggest challenge the company has faced for a century – to cut sugar from their Dairy Milk recipe.
Director James Dawson; Producers Ed Avern and Sophie Brackenbury Rptd tomorrow 8pm 4seven (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

7.15 Paddington ★★★★

Comedy. A young bear from Peru with a love of all things British travels to London, but he soon finds himself lost and alone. He is taken in by the kind Brown family, but not everyone is quite so welcoming. **Review page 72.**

Paddington Bear	**Ben Whishaw** (voice only)	Mr Gruber	**Jim Broadbent**
		Mr Curry	**Peter Capaldi**
Mr Henry Brown	**Hugh Bonneville**	Joe	**Matt Lucas**
Mrs Mary Brown	**Sally Hawkins**	Grant	**Kayvan Novak**
Millicent	**Nicole Kidman**	Jonathan Brown	**Samuel Joslin**
Mrs Bird	**Julie Walters**	Judy Brown	**Madeleine Harris**

Director Paul King (2014, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
Also showing Boxing Day 9pm E4

9.00 Escape to the Château at Christmas

RT ***8/8*** *Series 6.* As another busy year draws to a close, Dick and Angel prepare for the festivities at Château de la Motte-Husson. They lay on an exquisite menu complete with home-made treats as the family host a traditional French Christmas for family and friends as well as the odd special guest. **See page 111.**
Executive producers Angela Norris, Rebecca Bayatti
Series editor Jackie Baker Rptd tomorrow 5pm 4seven and New Year's Eve 8pm C4 (S) (AD) (HD)
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10.00 Office Christmas Party ★★★

P Comedy. When CEO Carol Vanstone threatens drastic action to get the Chicago branch of the company back in the red, the staff and her branch-manager brother decide to host a Christmas party memorable enough to impress a potential client and close a sale that will save their jobs. **Film of the Day: page 72.**

Josh Parker	**Jason Bateman**	Trina	**Jillian Bell**
Carol Vanstone	**Jennifer Aniston**	Jeremy	**Rob Corddry**
Tracey Hughes	**Olivia Munn**	Meaghan	**Jamie Chung**
Clay Vanstone	**TJ Miller**	Savannah	**Abbey Lee**
Mary Winetoss	**Kate McKinnon**	Allison	**Vanessa Bayer**
Walter Davis	**Courtney B Vance**	Fred	**Randall Park**

Directors Josh Gordon and Will Speck (2016, 15) (S) (AD) (HD)
Also showing Christmas Eve 9pm 4seven

12 midnight Dude, Where's My Car? ★ Goofball comedy starring Ashton Kutcher, Seann William Scott and Kristy Swanson. Dedicated party animals Jesse and Chester wake after a night of particularly heavy indulgence and can't remember where they left the car that contains presents for their girlfriends.
Director Danny Leiner (2000, 15) (S) (W) (HD)
1.30am Travel Man: 48 Hours in Bergen Richard Ayoade and Lou Sanders visit the Norwegian city. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
2.00 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA The chef heads to a struggling Danish restaurant in Miami. (R) (S)
2.50 Come Dine with Me Christmas Rav Wilding, Rebecca Adlington, Jennifer Ellison, Alex Carter and Mrs Moneypenny host dinner parties. (R) (S) (HD)
5.00 Countdown Comedian Tim Vine guests. (R) (S) (HD)
5.40–6.00am Kirstie's Handmade Christmas Home-made wrapping paper and cards. (R) (S) (HD)

Channel 4 Freeview 4 Freesat 104 Sky 104 Virgin 104
+1 F'view 15 F'sat 121 Sky 204 Virgin 142 HD F'view 104 Sky 138 Virgin 141

BBC4



The Good Life *8.30pm* Tom and Barbara come to the rescue when disaster strikes Margo and Jerry

7.00pm Mrs Dickens's Family Christmas

Sue Perkins examines Charles Dickens's marriage through the eyes of his wife, Catherine, and finds that in the Dickens household Christmas wasn't quite the heart-warming version he wrote about in *A Christmas Carol*. Working through his novels, Sue finds parallels between the female characters Dickens created and his changing affections for Catherine.
First shown on BBC2 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Some Mothers Do 'Ave 'Em

Father's Clinic. Frank causes all kinds of trouble when he attends a maternity class – without Betty – in the Christmas episode from 1973. And things don't get any better when the pair try to look after two children for the day.
Writer Raymond Allen; Producer Michael Mills (R) (S)

8.30 The Good Life

Silly, but It's Fun. In the festive episode from 1977, Tom and Barbara's self-sufficient Christmas is expanded to include Margo and Jerry, whose store-bought yuletide has failed to materialise after a delivery hiccup.

Barbara Good	**Felicity Kendal**
Tom Good	**Richard Briers**
Margo Leadbetter	**Penelope Keith**
Jerry Leadbetter	**Paul Eddington**
Bill	**David Battley**

Writers John Esmonde and Bob Larbey
Producer John Howard Davies (R) (S)

9.00 All about The Good Life

In 1975 a new sitcom burst onto our TV screens, introducing viewers to the self-sufficient world of Tom and Barbara Good, and their more materialistic but good-hearted neighbours Jerry and Margo Leadbetter. This documentary reveals all about the making of the show, from the perils of filming in mud to performing live in front of the Queen.
Producer Alex Briscoe
Executive producer Karen Steyn (R) (S)

10.00 The 12 Drinks of Christmas

Pointless host Alexander Armstrong and his journalist brother-in-law Giles Coren select 12 different drinks for the festive period, including the best Christmas Eve cocktail.
Director Danny Fildes; Executive producer Claire Collinson-Jones First shown on BBC2 (S) (HD)

11.00 Timeshift: Stuffed – the Great British Christmas Dinner

The festive meal remains the nation's last great traditional feast, but can it stand the test of time in an increasingly diverse society? With contributions by food critics, historians and celebrities including Simon Callow and Prue Leith.
Director/Producer Tony Higgins (R) (S) (AD)

12 midnight TOTP2 Christmas 2012 Mark Radcliffe presents festive favourites.
First shown on BBC2 (S) (HD)
1.30am Lucy Worsley's Christmas Carol Odyssey The story of the carol. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
2.30–3.30am Charles I: Killing a King *2/3* Crowds flock to Westminster Hall to witness the King's trial. Shown last Wednesday (S) (SL)

BBC4 Freeview 9 Freesat 107/173 Sky 116 Virgin 107
HD Freeview 106 Freesat 107 Virgin 107

Regional variations

BBC1 SCOTLAND

11.30pm Sportscene: highights of Celtic v Aberdeen and Hamilton v Hearts **12.45am** Women's World Cup Review **1.15** Doddie Weir: One More Try **2.15** Weather for the Week Ahead **2.20–6.00** BBC News

BBC SCOTLAND

As BBC2 until: **7.00pm** The Seven **7.15** Sportscene **8.30** The Mart **9.00** Inside Central Station **10.00** Scot Squad **10.30** The Comedians at the King's **11.00** The People's News **11.30–12 midnight** The Scandals That Shocked Scotland

STV

12.20am Meet the Parents **1.10** What Would Be Your Miracle? **2.00** Nightscreen **5.05–6.00** How to Spend It Well at Christmas with Philip Schofield

BBC1 WALES

12.30–1.00pm Tudur's TV Flashback: how Wales has celebrated the festive season

BBC2 WALES

6.00–7.00 Scrum V Sunday: highlights including Dragons v Scarlets and Ospreys v Cardiff Blues

BBC2 NORTHERN IRELAND

9.00pm Searching for Sam: Adrian Dunbar on Samuel Beckett **10.00** Singing the Messiah **10.30** The Christmas Misadventures of Romesh Ranganathan **11.30** The Blame Game **12 midnight** The Ranganation: Best Bits **12.45am** Cunk and Other Humans on 2019 **1.15–1.20** Waterworld

Channel 5 listings are overleaf

RT RT Choice Family Red button (R) Repeat (S) Subtitles (SL) Signing (AD) Audio description (HD) High def **FILMS** P Premiere (W) Widescreen (BW) Black/white ★★★★★ Outstanding ★★★★ Very good ★★★ Worth watching ★★ Could be worse ★ Poor

SUNDAY Freeview

Channel 5 5



Sister Act *3.00pm* Deloris (Whoopi Goldberg) seeks refuge from the Mob

Freeview 5 **Freesat** 105 **Sky** 105 **Virgin** 105
HD **Freeview** 105 **Freesat** 105 **Virgin** 150

6.00am Milkshake! See page 117
10.05 SpongeBob SquarePants SpongeBob and Patrick become trapped in another dimension. (S) (HD)
10.20 Rise of the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles Splinter has rat flu. (S) (HD)
10.30 Cruising with Jane McDonald Jane's trip to Australia. (S) (HD)
10.50 Friends *Series 8.* Phoebe holds a coaching session for a nervous Chandler.
11.20 Chandler falls asleep at a film premiere.
11.50 Rachel shares a room with Janice.
12.20pm Rachel finally gives birth. (S) (HD)

12.50 Father of the Bride ★★★★
Comedy starring Steve Martin. A businessman's orderly existence is turned upside down as he prepares for the marriage of his beloved only daughter.
Director Charles Shyer (1991, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

3.00pm Sister Act ★★★★
Comedy starring Whoopi Goldberg. After witnessing a murder, cabaret singer Deloris Van Cartier is sent to hide in a San Francisco convent.
Director Emile Ardolino (1992, PG) (S) (W) (HD)
Also showing Friday 27 December 2.20pm

5.05 5 News (S) (HD)

5.10 *New.* Celebrity Carols at Christmas
Singer and presenter Aled Jones presents a celebration of popular carols, sung by choirs from across the country.
Director Patrick Tilley; Series producer Chris Walley
Repeated Christmas Eve 10pm (S) (HD)

7.05 Building the Ice Hotel
Ake Larsson and Arne Bergh embark on the task of turning 30,000 tons of snow and 10,000 tons of ice into the ICEHOTEL in Jukkasjarvi, northern Sweden.
Director Colin King
Series producer Wendy Trueman (S) (HD)

8.00 Gregg Wallace's Magical Christmas Market
Gregg visits a variety of Christmas markets across Europe.
Director/Producer Jamie Hammick
First shown last Tuesday (S) (HD)

9.00 *New.* Secrets of the Mega Christmas Buffet
A glimpse inside the vast Wembley branch of the restaurant chain JRC Global Buffet, which cooks an astonishing 3,000kg of turkey over December.
Director Jim Turner; Producers Georgia Mills and Jim Turner Rptd Christmas Day 12.25am (S) (HD)

10.00 Greatest Ever Christmas Movies
White Christmas, *It's a Wonderful Life*, *Bad Santa* and *Elf* all figure in this countdown, first shown in 2013.
Executive producers Matt Crook, Andrew Newman and Emma Clarke (S) (HD)

12.50am Access (S) (HD) **1.00 *New.*** Casino (S) (HD) **3.00** Access (S) (HD) **3.10** NCIS: New Orleans: three episodes (S) (AD) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** House Doctor (S) (SL)

+1 **Freeview** 44 **Freesat** 128 **Sky** 205 **Virgin** 155
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ITV2 6



Love Actually *9.00pm* Does Billy Mack (Bill Nighy) have a hit on his hands?

F'view 6 **F'sat** 113 **Sky** 118 **Virgin** 115 **HD** **Virgin** 176

6.00am The Planet's Funniest Animals (S) **6.25** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **6.40** Emmerdale (S) (SL) (AD) (HD) **9.15** Coronation Street (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)
12.15pm In for a Christmas Penny Shown yesterday 7.25pm ITV (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00** Celebrity Catchphrase (S) (HD) **2.00** You've Been Framed Gold at Christmas! (S) **2.35** Shrek the Halls (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00 FILM** The Santa Clause 2 ★★ Comedy starring Tim Allen (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **5.10 FILM** Elf ★★★★ Fantasy with Will Ferrell. **Review p75.** (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

7.00pm Uncle Buck ★★★
Comedy. Buck Russell is a fun-loving bachelor without a care in the world. He's also the world's greatest slob. So when he has to look after his young nephew and nieces while their parents are away, anything can – and will – happen.

Buck Russell	**John Candy**
Miles Russell	**Macaulay Culkin**
Tia Russell	**Jean Louisa Kelly**
Maizy Russell	**Gaby Hoffman**
Chanice Kobolowski	**Amy Madigan**

Director John Hughes (1989, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

9.00 Love Actually ★★★
Ensemble romantic comedy featuring Hugh Grant, Emma Thompson, Laura Linney, Keira Knightley and Bill Nighy. In London, during the weeks leading up to Christmas, people from various walks of life suffer the emotional highs and lows of being in love. **Review page 86.**
Director Richard Curtis (2003, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.45 Family Guy
Series 18. Meg takes Stewie to see Santa.
12.15am *Series 15.* Brian and Lois try to help Chris manage his anger.
12.40 Quagmire decides to become a gigolo to earn money. (S) (AD) (HD)
1.10 American Dad! (S) (AD) (HD) **2.10** Family Guy (S) (AD) (HD) **2.35 FILM** The Break-Up ★★ Comedy drama starring Vince Vaughn (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **4.25** The Boxer and the Ballroom Dancer (S) (AD) (HD) **5.10–6.00am** Re-Educating Joey Essex: GCSE Special (S) (HD)

ITV2+1 **Freeview** 27 **Freesat** 114 **Sky** 218 **Virgin** 116

ITV3 10



Victoria *9.00pm* The queen is pleased to see Sarah at the palace

F'view 10 **F'sat** 115 **Sky** 119 **Virgin** 117 **HD** **Virgin** 177

6.00am George & Mildred (S) **6.50** Heartbeat (S) (AD) **8.55** Inspector Morse (S) (HD) **11.10** Agatha Christie's Marple (S) (AD) (HD)
1.05pm FILM Bugsy Malone ★★★★ Alan Parker's spoof gangster musical featuring a cast of children, including Scott Baio and Jodie Foster (S) (W) **3.05** Agatha Christie's Marple (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00** Midsomer Murders: a man is stabbed to death (S) (AD) (HD)

7.00pm The Queen ★★★★★
Oscar-winning historical drama, starring Helen Mirren and Michael Sheen. Following the death of Princess Diana in 1997, the royal family struggles to acknowledge the nation's unprecedented display of collective grief. **Review p90.**
Director Stephen Frears (2006, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

9.00 Victoria
RT ***9/9*** *Series 2.* **Comfort and Joy.** Victoria and Albert have very different expectations for their family Christmas, which finds the Queen burdened by melancholy and the prince full of enthusiasm – and the arrival of an African orphan at the palace sets them at loggerheads. **See p110.** (S) (AD) (HD)

Victoria	**Jenna Coleman**
Prince Albert	**Tom Hughes**
Duchess of Buccleuch	**Diana Rigg**
King of Hanover	**Peter Firth**
King Leopold	**Alex Jennings**
Duchess of Kent	**Catherine Flemming**
Skerrett	**Nell Hudson**
Sarah	**Zaris-Angel Hator**

RT DVDs To order *Victoria* series 1–3 for £29.99 incl p&p (RRP £49.99), call 0844 848 7300 or visit radiotimes.com/dvds52, quoting ref RT1791

11.00 Agatha Christie's Marple
The Pale Horse. When her old friend Father Gorman is found brutally murdered, Miss Marple (Julia McKenzie) travels to London to investigate. Guest-starring Nicholas Parsons. (S) (AD) (HD)
1.00am Agatha Christie's Poirot (S) (HD)
2.00 Inspector Morse (S) (HD)
5.40–6.00am Nightscreen

+1 **F'view** 34 *(9pm–midnight)* **F'sat** 116 **Sky** 219 **Virgin** 174

Drama 20



Silent Witness *10.20pm* Nikki looks into the murky world of hate crime

Freeview 20 **Freesat** 158 **Sky** 143 **Virgin** 130

7.10am The Bill (S) **11.00** Where the Heart Is (AD) **2.00pm** Call the Midwife (S) (AD) (HD)

5.55pm Call the Midwife
Trixie is chuffed when local curate Tom invites her on a date. (S) (HD)

Sister Julienne	**Jenny Agutter**
Sister Evangelina	**Pam Ferris**
Chummy Noakes	**Miranda Hart**
Trixie Franklin	**Helen George**
Tom Hereward	**Jack Ashton**
Sister Monica Joan	**Judy Parfitt**

7.15 Are You Being Served?
In the Christmas episode from 1979, the staff of Grace Brothers stage a life-size Punch and Judy show. (S)

8.00 Father Brown
2/15 *Series 3.* **The Curse of Amenhotep**
The priest investigates when the new wife of Sir Raleigh is found dead after seeing an Egyptian mummy. (S) (AD) (HD)

Young Raleigh	**Chris MacDonald**
Young Evelyn	**Genevieve Gaunt**
Father Brown	**Mark Williams**
Lady Felicia	**Nancy Carroll**
Mrs McCarthy	**Sorcha Cusack**

9.00 Death in Paradise
2/8 *Series 5.* **One For the Road.** The dark side of Saint Marie politics emerges when the governor is poisoned at her leaving party. And DI Goodman dabbles in the even murkier world of online dating. (S) (AD) (HD)

DI Humphrey Goodman	**Kris Marshall**
Officer Dwayne Myers	**Danny John-Jules**
DS Florence Cassell	**Joséphine Jobert**
Officer JP Hooper	**Tobi Bakare**
Commissioner Selwyn Patterson	**Don Warrington**

10.20 Silent Witness
2/5 *Series 19.* **Flight.** The murder of a prominent anti-fundamentalist Muslim drags the Lyell team into the dangerous world of counter-terrorism. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.55am The White Princess: King Henry VII sets out to establish himself as the new sovereign (S) (AD) (HD) **2.15–4.00am** The Heart Guy: two episodes (HD)

Drama +1 **Sky** 243 **Virgin** 226

ITV4 24

F'view 24 **F'sat** 117 **Sky** 120 **Virgin** 118 **HD** **Virgin** 178

6.00am Football's Greatest: Johan Cruyff (S) (HD) **6.15** Fifth Gear (S) (HD) **7.00** The Protectors (S) **7.25** The Professionals (S) (SL) (AD) **8.20** Columbo: Sex and the Married Detective (S) (HD) **10.20** The Big Fish Off (S) (HD) **11.25** Monster Carp (S) (AD) (HD)
12.30pm FILM Brannigan ★★★ (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **2.45 FILM** Battle of the Bulge ★★★★ Second World War action drama (S) (W) (HD)
5.55pm FILM The Green Berets ★★ War drama with John Wayne. A US Special Forces colonel is sent to Vietnam (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
9.00 FILM Demolition Man ★★★★ Sci-fi thriller starring Sylvester Stallone. A cop frozen in a cryo prison is woken and sent to apprehend a vicious criminal. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
11.15 FILM The Fugitive ★★★★ Thriller starring Harrison Ford and Tommy Lee Jones. A wrongfully convicted surgeon goes on the run. **Review page 72.** (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
1.55am Bad Move (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** The Americans (S) (HD) **3.45** Nightscreen (HD) **3.55** The Protectors (S) **4.20** Minder (S) (SL) (AD) **5.10–6.00am** The Sweeney (S) (SL)

ITV4 +1 **Freesat** 154 **Sky** 220 **Virgin** 175

ITVBe 26

F'view 26 **F'sat** 118 **Sky** 131 **Virgin** 119 **HD** **Virgin** 179

6.00am Bring It! (HD) **7.50** The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills (S) (HD) **8.50** Be Beautiful (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** LittleBe (HD)
12 noon Cake Wars (S) (HD) **12.55pm** Chrisley Knows Best (S) (HD) **1.55** Dinner Date: Love at First Bite (S) (HD) **2.55** Celebrity Dinner Date (S) (HD) **3.55** Dinner Date (S) (AD) (HD)
6.00pm Dinner Date Jack from London goes on three festive blind dates.
7.00 Scott chooses three dates.
8.00 With Abi from Essex. (S) (AD) (HD)
9.00 *New.* Botched A young woman with a mutated backside visits the doctors, and a painter wants her nose fixed. (HD)
10.00 *New.* The Real Housewives of Potomac The friends enjoy some spooky attractions in New Orleans. (S) (AD) (HD)
11.00 The Real Housewives of Cheshire: 100 Episodes Young The women gather for a show celebrating 100 episodes. (S) (HD)
12 midnight Manzo'd with Children (S) (HD)
1.00am Mob Wives: the Last Stand (S) (HD)
1.45 Vanderpump Rules (S) (HD) **3.15** Bachelor in Paradise **5.35–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITVBe +1 **Freesat** 119 **Sky** 231 **Virgin** 120

Dave 19

F'view 19 **F'sat** 157 **Sky** 111 **Virgin** 127 **HD** **Virgin** 227 **BT** 387

7.10am World's Most Dangerous Roads (S) (HD) **8.00** Soapbox Race (HD) **9.00** Expedition with Steve Backshall (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** Top Gear: Winter Blunderland (AD) (HD) **11.00** Top Gear Vietnam Special (S) (AD)
12.40pm Top Gear (S) (AD) (HD) **2.10** Top Gear Patagonia Special (S) (HD) **5.00 *New.*** Top Gear: Winter Blunderland (AD) (HD)
6.00pm *New.* Soapbox Race Lithuania. (HD)
7.00 World's Most Dangerous Roads With Hugh Dennis and David Baddiel. (S) (HD)
8.00 QI XL With Jason Manford, Romesh Ranganathan and Holly Walsh. (S) (HD)
9.00 Have I Got a Bit More News for You Hosted by Alexander Armstrong. (S) (HD)
10.00 Mock the Week: Election Special With Angela Barnes, Ed Gamble, James Acaster, Milton Jones and Tez Ilyas. (S) (HD)
10.40 Taskmaster *7/10* *Series 7.* Challenges involving crackers and construction. (S) (HD)
11.40 Would I Lie to You? (S) (HD)
12.20am Mock the Week (S) (HD) **1.00am** QI XL (S) (HD) **2.15** Mock the Week (S) (HD)
2.50–4.00am Would I Lie to You? (S) (HD)

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More4 18



Emergency Helicopter Medics *9.00pm* The medics head to the Lake District

F'view 18 **F'sat** 124 **Sky** 136 **Virgin** 147 HD **Virgin** 195

8.55am Escape to the Château: Restoring the Dream (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** Escape to the Château: Designing the Dream (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Escape to the Château: the Great Outdoors (S) (AD) (HD) **12.05pm** Come Dine with Me (S) (HD) **2.10** Four in a Bed (S) (HD) **4.50** Escape to the Château: double bill (S) (AD) (HD)

6.55pm Escape to the Château Dick and Angel await the arrival of their Christmas guests. (S) (AD) (HD)

7.55 The Storms That Stole Christmas A look at Christmas 2013's atrocious weather conditions. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 *New.* Emergency Helicopter Medics ***Ep 7*** *Series 3.* A walker goes into a cardiac arrest on the banks of Ullswater. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 24 Hours in A&E A young man is treated after being involved in a motorcycle accident. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.05 999: What's Your Emergency? Call handlers guide a heart attack victim's daughter through doing CPR. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.15am Shocking Emergency Calls (S) (AD) (HD) **1.15** as 9pm **2.15 *New.*** Animal Airport (S) (HD) **3.20–3.50am** Food Unwrapped (S) (AD) (HD)

More4 +1 Freeview 86 **Freesat** 125 **Sky** 236 **Virgin** 196

E4 13

F'view 13 **F'sat** 122 **Sky** 135 **Virgin** 106 HD **Virgin** 145

6.00am Hollyoaks: omnibus edition (AD) **8.20** Rude(ish) Tube Shorts **8.45** Father Christmas (AD) **9.15** Ice Age: a Mammoth Christmas (AD) **9.45** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **1.15pm** Young Sheldon (AD) **1.45** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **3.45** The Great Christmas Bake Off: former contestants compete (AD) **5.00** Celebrity Come Dine with Me

7.30pm The Big Bang Theory *11/24* *Series 8* Amy hosts a Christmas Eve dinner. **8.00 *12/24*** *Series 10.* The story of Sheldon and Amy's trip to his mother's. **8.30 *11/24*** *Series 11.* Leonard feels anxious about his lack of accomplishments. (AD) **9.00** RT **CHOICE *New.* Star Trek: Discovery *2/15*** *Series 1.* Face to face with Klingon vessels, USS *Shenzhou* prepares for the possibility of war. Burnham looks back to her Vulcan upbringing for guidance. **See p111.** (AD) **10.00 Naked Attraction** Newquay sales administrator Millie and Sheffield window cleaner Alex each choose a date. (AD) **11.00 The Big Bang Theory** (AD) **12 midnight** Brooklyn Nine-Nine: Doug Judy is offered a plea deal (AD) **12.30am** Gogglebox (SL) (AD) **1.35** Star Trek: Discovery (AD) **2.20** First Dates Abroad **3.15–6.00am** Hollyoaks (SL) (AD)

E4 +1 Freeview 28 **Freesat** 123 **Sky** 235 **Virgin** 146

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F'view 47 **F'sat** 127 **Sky** 137 **Virgin** 143 HD **F'view** 110

9.00am Find It, Fix It, Flog It **11.00** A Place in the Sun **4.00pm** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **8.00** Celebrity Flirty Dancing for Stand Up to Cancer ***Ep 7*** *Series 2* Ashley Banjo plays Cupid to Coleen Nolan (AD) **9.00** Celebrity Gogglebox 2019 (AD) **10.00** Gogglebox ***Ep 14*** (AD) **11.00** Father Ted: Ted gets lost in a lingerie department (AD) **12.15am** Holidays from Hell: Caught on Camera (AD) **1.20** The Supervet at Christmas (AD) **2.25** Coast vs Country **3.30** Save Well, Spend Better (AD) **4.25–4.55am** Frasier

Paramount Network 54



Sense and Sensibility *6.20pm* Elinor Dashwood gets to know Edward Ferrars

F'view 54 **F'sat** 132 **Sky** 153 **Virgin** 188 HD **Virgin** 187

9.00am The Office US (HD) **9.30** Now That's Funny! (S) (HD) **11.35** House (HD)

4.10pm FILM Great Expectations ★★ Adaptation of the Charles Dickens period drama with Jeremy Irvine. **Review p77** (HD)

6.20pm Sense and Sensibility ★★★★★ Oscar-winning period romantic drama. Emma Thompson writes and stars with Kate Winslet in the story of the Dashwood sisters, who find that their diminished circumstances have an adverse effect on their aspirations. Director Ang Lee (1995, U) (HD)

9.00 Pride & Prejudice ★★★★ Period romantic drama based on Jane Austen's novel, starring Keira Knightley and Matthew Macfadyen. England in the 18th century: with five daughters and no fortune, class-obsessed Mrs Bennet goes into a match-making frenzy. Director Joe Wright (2005, U) (HD)

11.30 A Civil Action ★★★ Courtroom drama based on a true story, starring John Travolta. Director Steven Zaillian (1998, 15) (HD)

1.45am Arrow (HD) **3.35** The Strain (HD) **4.20** Designated Survivor (HD) **5.00** The Office US (HD) **5.30** Access (S) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** The Office US (S) (HD)

Pick 11

Freeview 11 **Freesat** 144 **Sky** 152 **Virgin** 165

6.00am Motorway Patrol **9.00** Highway Patrol **11.00** Caught Red Handed **1.00pm** Merry & Bright **3.00** Monkey Life **7.00 *New.*** Monkey Life **7.30** Monkey Life **8.00** Michael Bublé's Christmas in Hollywood: the crooner's fifth Christmas special sees him take to the stage in Los Angeles, with guest appearances by Celine Dion, Sharon Jones and the Dap-Kings, and Tori Kelly **9.00** Murders That Shocked the Nation: Moors Murders: double bill. Fred Dinenage investigates the crimes of Myra Hindley and Ian Brady, then the family of a murdered child tell their story **11.00** Britain's Most Evil Killers: five back-to-back episodes **4.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol (AD)

Pick +1 Freeview 92 **Freesat** 145 **Sky** 252

Sony Channel 48

Freeview 48 *(limited)* **Freesat** 142 **Sky** 157 **Virgin** 189

6.00am Touched by an Angel **9.00** Murder, She Wrote **7.00pm** M*A*S*H: four episodes. Potter faces a challenge **7.30** A goat eats $22,000 **8.00** The nurses return to chaos **8.30** Charles falls for a nurse **9.00** Classic Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? The People Play **12 midnight** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? Best of Friends Special **1.00am** Starsky & Hutch **2.00** TJ Hooker **3.00** M*A*S*H **5.10–6.00am** Touched by an Angel

Sony Channel +1 Freesat 152 **Sky** 257

Horror Channel 70

Freeview 70 **Freesat** 138 **Sky** 317 **Virgin** 149

8.00am FILM Mammoth ★★ Sci-fi comedy thriller **9.50** Highlights **10.00** Star Trek: Voyager **3.00pm FILM** Solar Flare ★ Disaster thriller **4.50 FILM** Stormageddon ★★ Sci-fi thriller **6.35pm FILM** Starman ★★★★ Sci-fi romance starring Jeff Bridges and Karen Allen **8.50** Highlights **9.00 FILM** The Colony ★★ Sci-fi horror starring Laurence Fishburne, Bill Paxton and Kevin Zegers **10.55 FILM** 100 Bloody Acres ★★★ Comedy horror starring Damon Herriman **12.45am FILM** Final Girl ★★ Action horror **2.30 FILM** Planet of the Sharks ★★ Action horror **4.20–4.30am** Highlights

5 USA 21

Freeview 21 **Freesat** 129 **Sky** 141 **Virgin** 153

9.00am Access **9.10** Criminals: Caught on Camera (S) **9.35** Murder, She Wrote (S) (AD) **11.25** Columbo: Last Salute to the Commodore (S) **1.25pm** Columbo: Lady in Waiting (S) **3.05** Columbo: Murder, a Self-Portrait (S) **5.00** Columbo: Troubled Waters (S) **7.05pm** NCIS: Los Angeles *Series 4.* Triple bill. The agents track the elusive Robert Spears **8.00** The team investigates a potential poisoner **9.00** The body of a Mexican cartel boss is snatched from a morgue (S) **10.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (S) **12.50am** CSI: Miami (S) (AD) **3.35–4.00am** Criminals: Caught on Camera (S)

5 USA +1 F'view 57 (not 2-4am) **F'sat** 130 **Sky** 241 **Virgin** 185

5 Star 30

Freeview 30 **Freesat** 131 **Sky** 128 **Virgin** 151

8.00am Access (HD) **8.10** Rich Kids Go Skint (S) **10.00** World's Strongest Man 2017 (S) **11.00** Bad Tenants, Rogue Landlords (S) **3.00pm** Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away (S) (HD) **6.00pm** Rich Kids, Skint Christmas (S) **7.05 FILM** Mr Deeds ★ Remake of Frank Capra's comedy *Mr Deeds Goes to Town*, starring Adam Sandler and Winona Ryder (S) **9.00 FILM** The Mask ★★★★★ Fantasy comedy starring Jim Carrey and Cameron Diaz. A clumsy and shy bank clerk discovers an ancient mask that has the power to transform him into a lime-green cartoon character who thrives in the spotlight (S) **11.00 FILM** Hall Pass ★★ Comedy starring Owen Wilson and Jason Sudeikis (S) **1.10am** Greatest Ever Christmas Ads **2.45** Rich Kids Go Skint **3.35–4.00am** Two and a Half Men

5 Star +1 Freeview 56 **Sky** 228 **Virgin** 186

5 Spike 31

Freeview 31 **Freesat** 141 **Sky** 150 **Virgin** 154

9.00am Access (HD) **9.10** The A-Team (AD) (HD) **11.20** Traffic Cops (HD) **12.20pm FILM** The Kansan ★★★ Western (HD) **2.05 FILM** The First of the Few ★★★ Second World War biographical drama (BW) (HD) **4.30 FILM** Attack! ★★★★ Second World War drama (BW) (HD) **6.45pm FILM** Two Mules for Sister Sara ★★★★ Western (HD) **9.00 FILM** Homefront ★★★ Action thriller (AD) (HD) **11.05 FILM** Escape from LA ★★ Futuristic action thriller starring Kurt Russell (HD) **1.10am** Fights, Camera, Action! (HD) **2.00–3.00am** Criminals: Caught on Camera (HD)

5 Spike +1 Sky 250

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Freeview 55 **Freesat** 133 **Sky** 159 **Virgin** 152

9.00am Criminals: Caught on Camera (S) **9.25** Paddington Station 24/7 **10.10** Cruising with Jane McDonald **11.10** The Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies **12.10pm FILM** Christmas Wedding ★★ **2.00** GPs: behind Closed Doors **3.00** The Yorkshire Vet **4.00** The Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies **6.00** Yum! Yum! Britain's Favourite Chocolate **8.00** Inside Harrods at Christmas **9.00** The Double Life of George Michael **11.00** The Nation's Favourite George Michael Song **12 midnight** Sinkholes: Sucked Under **1.00am** Animals after Dark **2.00** CSI: Miami: double bill **3.55–4.00am** Access

CBS Justice 39

Freeview 39 **Freesat** 137 **Sky** 148 **Virgin** 192

8.30am Tomorrow's World **9.00** Diagnosis Murder **2.00pm** NCIS **7.00** JAG: double bill. Mac investigate questionable marine training methods, then Harm and Mac defend a homeless former Navy Seal accused of killing three men who tried to rob a shop **9.00** NCIS **2.00am** Ultimate Force **3.10** Bonanza **4.05** The High Chaparral **4.55–6.00am** Mission: Impossible

CBS Drama 71

Freeview 71 **Freesat** 134 **Sky** 147 **Virgin** 197

7.30am The Key of David **8.00** Home Shopping **9.00** The Love Boat **2.00pm** Unsolved Mysteries: triple bill **5.00 FILM** A Town without Christmas ★★ Drama **7.00 FILM** Finding John Christmas ★★ Fantasy drama starring Peter Falk and William Russ **9.00 FILM** When Angels Come to Town ★★ Fantasy starring Peter Falk and Katey Sagal **11.00** CSI: Miami: five back-to-back episodes **4.00–6.00am** Judge Judy

Listings for **PBS America**, **Smithsonian** see over. **Film4** and other **Freeview movie** channels: **p118**

Yesterday 25

Freeview 25 **Freesat** 159 **Sky** 155 **Virgin** 129

6.00am Shakespeare – the Legacy with John Nettles (S) (HD) **7.10** History's Ultimate Spies (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** The World at War (S) (HD) **11.00** Planet Earth (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00pm** Sounds of the Seventies: eight editions. Featuring the Who **7.30** With Aretha Franklin **8.00** Free and Dr Feelgood **8.30** With the Carpenters and Kate Bush **9.00** Artists include James Taylor **9.30** Featuring the Eagles **10.00** Punk and new wave music **10.30** With Iggy Pop **11.00** The First Silent Night (HD) **12 midnight** Abandoned Engineering (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00am** Shakespeare – the Legacy with John Nettles (S) (HD) **2.00–3.00am** History's Ultimate Spies (S) (AD) (HD)

Yesterday +1 Sky 255 **Virgin** 200

Really 17

Freeview 17 **Freesat** 160 **Sky** 142 **Virgin** 128

6.00am Homes under the Hammer (HD) **7.00** Home Shopping **8.00** DIY SOS: the Big Build (HD) **9.00** DIY SOS: Homes for Veterans (HD) **11.00** Antiques Road Trip (HD) **4.00pm** Homes under the Hammer (HD) **8.00** DIY SOS: the Big Build (HD) **9.00** Embarrassing Bodies: physiological concerns **10.00 *New.*** Face like Mine: Two in a Million: two children with a rare condition who've been bullied meet for the first time. (HD) **11.00** Ghost Adventures: investigating reports of supernatural energy at a ranch in Nevada (HD) **12 midnight** Portals to Hell (HD) **1.00am** Haunted Hospitals (HD) **2.00** Home Shopping **4.00–6.00am** DIY SOS: Homes for Veterans (HD)

Home 42

Freeview 42 **Freesat** 166 **Sky** 158 **Virgin** 279

7.00am Buying the View (HD) **8.00** Bargain Hunt (HD) **10.00** Escape to the Country (HD) **2.00pm** Beeny's Restoration Nightmare (HD) **3.00** My Dream Derelict Home (HD) **4.00** Escape to the Country (HD) **8.00** Beeny's Restoration Nightmare: one of the boilers suffers a wasp infestation (HD) **9.00** My Dream Derelict Home: transforming an Edwardian property into a family home (HD) **10.00** World's Most Secret Homes (HD) **11.00** Escape to the Country **12 midnight** Bargain Hunt (HD) **2.00am** House Hunters International (HD) **2.25** My Flat-Pack Home **3.15–4.00am** Nick Knowles's Original Features (HD)

Home +1 Sky 258 **Virgin** 283

Quest 12

F'view 12 **F'sat** 172 **Sky** 144 **Virgin** 169 HD **F'view** 114 **F'sat** 167

6.00am American Pickers (HD) **10.00** EFL (HD) **12 noon** Salvage Hunters (HD) **8.00pm** Swimming with Monsters with Steve Backshall: the naturalist hopes to encounter the great white shark (HD) **9.00** The Repair Shop at Christmas: experts try to restore family heirlooms and treasured possessions, including a Victorian version of a jukebox, to their former glory in time for Christmas **10.00 *New.*** Border Control: Spain: double bill. The Security and Customs Services at the borders of Spain, who are under constant threat from drugs, weapons and suspected terrorists (HD) **11.00** Nasa's Unexplained Files (HD) **12 midnight** The Repair Shop at Christmas **1.00am** Chasing Classic Cars (HD) **12.00** Wheels That Fail (HD) **3.00** Destroyed in Seconds **4.00** Texas Metal (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Overhaulin'

Quest +1 F'view 76 (7pm-4am) **F'sat** 168 **Sky** 244 **Virgin** 213

Challenge 46

Freeview 46 **Freesat** 146 **Sky** 151 **Virgin** 164

7.00am Catchphrase (AD) **9.00** Wheel of Fortune **12 noon** Pointless Celebrities **3.00pm** The Chase **5.00** The Chase Celebrity Special **9.00pm *New.*** TV's Greatest Gameshows: Roy Walker is joined by celebs and past competitors to explore what makes game shows great **11.00** Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? Celebrity Special: with Paul O'Grady and Lesley Garrett **12 midnight** Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? **2.00am** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? **3.00** Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? Olympic Special **4.00** Bullseye **4.30–6.00am** Winter Wipeout

Challenge +1 Freesat 147 **Sky** 251 **Virgin** 230

BBC Parliament 232

Freeview 232 **Freesat** 201 **Sky** 504 **Virgin** 605

6.00am Political Highlights **12 noon** America This Week **1.00pm** Washington Journal **3.00** HARDtalk: interviews with newsmakers and personalities from across the globe **3.30** BOOKtalk: discussion of political publications **3.45–6.00am** Political Highlights: recorded coverage of political and parliamentary highlights

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Pacific Rim *9.00pm* The Jaegers fight an epic war

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Sky 106 **Virgin** 110 **HD** **Virgin** 109

6.00am Hour of Power (HD) **7.00** Futurama (S) (HD) **9.00** The Simpsons (S) (HD) **1.00pm** Moominvalley (HD) **2.00** Take That: Odyssey – Greatest Hits Live (HD) **3.15** Michael Bublé's Christmas in Hollywood (S) (HD) **4.15** Freddie Mercury: the Tribute Concert (S) (HD)

6.00pm The Simpsons A department store Santa grants Lisa's Christmas wish. **6.30** Four festive tales. **7.00** An adult Bart and Lisa return home for Christmas. **7.30** Krusty and his daughter spend Christmas with the Simpsons. (S) (HD)

8.00 A League of Their Own's Christmas Holiday Jamie, Andrew and Romesh face a series of traditional Austrian challenges. (HD)

9.00 Pacific Rim ★★★ Sci-fi action adventure starring Charlie Hunnam. English, Japanese, Cantonese, Mandarin +subtitles. (S) (W) (HD)

11.30 The Late Late Show with James Corden – Best of 2019 Highlights from the year. (HD)

12.30am Romesh's Look Back to the Future (HD) **1.30** Street Crime (HD) **2.00** Motorway Patrol (S) **2.30** A League of Their Own (HD) **3.30–6.00am** Road Wars (S) (HD)

Sky 1 +1 **Sky** 206



David Attenborough's Kingdom of Plants *3.00pm*

Sky Atlantic

Sky 108

6.00am The Guest Wing (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** The British (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** Without a Trace (S) (HD) **1.00pm** David Attenborough's Kingdom of Plants (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Blue Bloods: double bill (HD)

6.00pm Blue Bloods *18/22 Series 4.* Danny and Baez look into the death of a woman following a secret plastic-surgery procedure. **7.00** *19/22.* As he and Baez probe a college professor's murder, Danny learns he is under investigation by the district attorney. **8.00** *20/22.* A police officer is accused of killing a suspect who was in custody. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Game of Thrones *6/10 Series 5.* Arya continues training, Jorah and Tyrion run into slavers and the Sand Snakes attack. **10.00** *7/10.* Jon prepares for conflict, Sansa tries to talk to Theon, and Brienne waits for a sign. Meanwhile, Jaime attempts to reconnect with his family. **11.10** *8/10.* Arya makes progress in her training, Sansa confronts an old friend, Cersei faces a struggle and Jon goes on a journey. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.20am Britannia (HD) **1.20** Watchmen (HD) **2.30** True Detective (S) (AD) (HD) **3.35** Nurse Jackie (S) (HD) **4.10–6.00am** Storm City (S) (AD) (HD)

Sky Atlantic +1 **Sky** 208



Ghost Whisperer *7.00pm* Rick has a question for Melinda

Sky Witness

Sky 107 **Virgin** 112 **HD** **Virgin** 111

6.00am Nothing to Declare (S) **12 noon** Sun, Sea and A&E (S) (AD) **2.00pm** The Real A&E (S) (HD) **4.00** Nothing to Declare (S)

7.00pm Ghost Whisperer *1/22 Series 2.* Melinda visits a paranormal professor in an effort to identify the mysterious entity responsible for terrorising Andrea's earthbound spirit. (S) (HD) **8.00** *2/22.* Melinda must deal with an obsessive spook, while the apparition of a thieving teenager's mother promises to make up for her son's criminal behaviour. (S) (HD)

9.00 The InBetween *6/10* Cassie's visions lead Tom and Damien toward a twisted serial killer. Meanwhile, Cassie helps an old friend come to terms with the death of a loved one. (S) (HD)

10.00 The Good Doctor *Ep 10 Series 3.* Shaun is reunited with his family when he visits his dying father. Elsewhere, doctors treat a severely injured NFL star. (HD)

11.00 FBI *21/22.* Members of the team investigate the murder of a decorated agent, but their findings expose the victim's double life. (HD) **12 midnight** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (HD) **2.00am** as 7/8pm **4.00–6.00am** Nothing to Declare (S)

Sky Witness +1 **Sky** 207 **Virgin** 180



Louis Theroux's Weird Weekends *10.00pm* A US trip

W

Sky 109 **Virgin** 125 **BT** 311 **HD** **Virgin** 211 **BT** 383

6.10am Tipping Point (S) (HD) **7.00** Tipping Point: Lucky Stars (S) (HD) **11.00** Doctor Who (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00pm** One Born: What Happened Next? (S) (HD)

6.00pm Inside the Ambulance Paramedics need to get a sick baby to A&E. (S) (HD) **7.00** V and Ollie are called to a woman who has suffered a seizure but refuses to go to hospital. (S) (HD)

8.00 999 Rescue Squad *8/10 Series 3.* A doctor is left fighting for his life after a head-on collision with a truck. (HD)

9.00 Inside the Operating Theatre *10/10 Series 2.* A woman needs an operation to stop her persistent nosebleeds. (AD) (HD)

10.00 Louis Theroux's Weird Weekends The reporter meets strange and colourful characters on his way to Christmas dinner in America. (S) (AD)

11.00 Stacey Dooley Sleeps Over *6/6.* Stacey visits a wealthy family in their rural Warwickshire manor house. (S) (AD) (HD)

12 midnight Dr Christian: Special Clinics (S) (HD) **1.00am** John Bishop in Conversation with Katie Price (S) (HD) **1.50–3.00am** Flack (S) (AD) (HD)

W +1 **Sky** 209 **Virgin** 190



Trust Morecambe and Wise *8.20pm* More fond memories

Gold

Sky 110 **Virgin** 124 **BT** 310

7.20am Citizen Khan (S) (AD) (HD) **7.50** Wallace & Gromit: A Matter of Loaf and Death (S) (HD) **8.30** Last of the Summer Wine (S) **11.15** Wallace & Gromit: A Matter of Loaf and Death (S) (HD) **11.55** The Vicar of Dibley (S) (AD) **1.10pm** Only Fools and Horses (S) (AD) **3.00** Trust Morecambe & Wise (S) (HD) **4.00** Porridge (S) (AD)

5.00pm Only Fools and Horses The Trotters lose their millions. Christmas special from 2001. (S) (AD) **6.40** The brothers go to France. Christmas special from 2002. (S) (AD)

8.20 Trust Morecambe and Wise How the duo approached the themes of love and relationships in their comedy. (S) (HD)

9.20 The Vicar of Dibley Geraldine swaps her dog collar for a wedding dress. (S) (AD)

10.30 The Royle Family: Joe's Crackers The clan invite neighbours Joe and Cheryl over for Christmas dinner. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.50 Michael McIntyre's Christmas Comedy Roadshow With Miranda Hart. (S) (HD)

1.05am Harry Enfield and His Yule Log Chums (S) (AD) **2.00** Harry Enfield and Chums (S) (AD) **2.40–4.00am** Live at the Apollo (S) (HD)

Gold +1 **Sky** 210 **Virgin** 194

Sky Arts

Sky 122 **Virgin** 123 **HD** **Virgin** 156

6.00am Moulin Rouge: the Ballet (HD) **8.00** Hollywood: Singing and Dancing (HD) **9.15** Cats Special (HD) **10.15** Michael Bublé's Christmas in Hollywood (S) (HD) **11.15** Diana Ross and the Supremes: Music Icons (S) (HD) **11.45** Funny Girl: the Musical: starring Sheridan Smith (HD)

2.15pm The Phantom of the Opera at the Royal Albert Hall Performance of Andrew Lloyd Webber's musical about a disfigured composer's doomed love for a beautiful singer. Ramin Karimloo and Sierra Boggess star. (HD)

5.05 ***New.*** **Les Misérables: 25th Anniversary** Alfie Boe, Nick Jonas, Matt Lucas and more come together to delight fans with a special concert performance. (HD)

8.00 Cats: the Musical A group of cats gathers to choose one lucky feline who will go to a magical place to be reborn. Elaine Paige stars in a production of Andrew Lloyd Webber's world-famous musical. (HD)

10.00 Billy Elliot the Musical Live Recording of the stage musical based on the film about a working-class boy battling parental disapproval to become a ballet dancer. With Ruthie Henshall and Elliott Hanna. (S) (HD)

12.50am Miss Saigon: 25th Anniversary Performance (HD) **3.50** Great Film Composers: the Music of the Movies (HD) **4.50–6.00am** Celtic Woman: Home for Christmas (HD)

Sky Crime

Sky 121 **Virgin** 136 **HD** **Virgin** 135

6.00am Motorway Patrol (S) **12 noon** Customs UK **4.00pm** Road Wars (S)

6.00pm Murders That Shocked the Nation Examining the crimes of Graham Frederick Young, who laced an entire factory's tea with deadly thallium. (S) (AD)

7.00 Snapped When her elderly mother disappeared, Ghazal Mansury cited dementia, but her family suspected something more sinister. (S)

8.00 The story of a man who met a grisly end after getting caught up in a scandalous web of sex, lies and greed involving his ex-wife and her boyfriend. (S)

9.00 ***New.*** **The Killing of Jessica Chambers** The twists and turns of the trial continue, as star witnesses give evidence and phone data is explored. **10.00** ***New.*** With the arguments out of the way, the time arrives for the jury to begin its deliberations – but the judge's confusing instructions cause mayhem. **11.00** The fate of Quinton Tellis, and the possibility of him facing a retrial, hangs in the balance as the attorneys battle in court.

12 midnight Homicide for the Holidays **1.00am** Killer Colleagues **2.00** A Wedding and a Murder **3.00** A Lie to Die For **4.00** Snapped (S) **5.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol (S)

Sky Crime +1 **Sky** 221 **Virgin** 207

Sky 2

Sky 168 **Virgin** 160

7.00am 60-Minute Makeover **12 noon** Stargate SG-1 (S) **5.00pm** Take That Live: Wonderland: a concert from the band's 2017 tour (S) **7.00** Capital Jingle Bell Ball: highlights of the annual pop concert **9.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit: Benson works with the victim of a rape **10.00** Madam Secretary: Elizabeth has a big decision to make and Blake is questioned by Senator Hanson **11.00** The InBetween: Cassie's visions lead Tom and Damien toward a twisted serial killer (S) **12 midnight** FBI: a decorated FBI agent is murdered **1.00am** Duck Quacks Don't Echo: four episodes (S) (AD) **4.30** Wild Vets (S) **5.00–6.00am** RSPCA Animal Rescue (S)

Universal TV

Sky 113 **Virgin** 122 **BT** 320 **HD** **Virgin** 121 **BT** 385

8.00am Law & Order (S) (HD) **1.00pm** NCIS: five episodes (S) (HD) **6.00** NCIS: triple bill. Gibbs emerges from his coma with amnesia **7.00** Ziva witnesses an assassination **8.00** Fornell and his daughter are threatened (S) (HD) **9.00** CSI: Miami: four episodes. A wealthy businessman is murdered at a fundraising party **10.00** A communications magnate is stabbed and scalped in a hotel room **11.00** A film star dies after a stay in rehab **12 midnight** A divorce case is complicated by murder (S) (HD) **1.00am** Chicago Med (S) (HD) **3.00–5.00am** Private Eyes (S) (HD)

Universal TV +1 **Sky** 213 **Virgin** 206

Syfy

Sky 114 **Virgin** 138 **BT** 319 **HD** **Virgin** 137 **BT** 375

6.00am Marvel's Runaways **8.00** Home Shopping **11.00 FILM** Adventures of Aladdin ★ **12.50pm FILM** Flight of the Navigator ★★★ **2.40 FILM** Lara Croft, Tomb Raider: the Cradle of Life ★ **5.00** Blood and Treasure **7.00pm FILM** Land of the Lost ★★ Sci-fi comedy adventure starring Will Ferrell **9.00** Dollhouse: Sci-fi series about a laboratory that erases the personalities of missing persons **11.30 FILM** The Sweeney ★★ Crime drama based on the 1970s TV series, starring Ray Winstone and Ben Drew **1.50am FILM** Universal Soldier 3: Unfinished Business ★★ **4.00–6.00am FILM** Meteor Apocalypse ★★

Syfy +1 **Sky** 214 **Virgin** 229

TLC

Sky 133 **Virgin** 167 **BT** 323 **HD** **BT** 377

6.00am Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **8.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress: Randy Knows Best (HD) **12 noon** The 12 Pops of Christmas (HD) **1.30pm** Dr Pimple Popper (HD) **6.30** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (AD) (HD) **7.00** 90 Day Fiancé (HD) **9.00** Katie Price: My Crazy Life (HD) **10.00** Love after Lock Up (HD) **11.00** 90 Day Fiancé: Pillow Talk (HD) **12 midnight** Katie Price: My Crazy Life (HD) **1.00am** Love after Lock Up (HD) **2.00** 90 Day Fiancé: Pillow Talk (HD) **3.00** Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **4.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Say Yes to the Dress: Randy Knows Best (HD)

TLC +1 **Sky** 233 **Virgin** 172

Comedy Central

Sky 112 **Virgin** 132 **BT** 307 **HD** **Virgin** 181 **BT** 370

8.00am Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **10.30** Bob's Burgers (S) (HD) **11.00 FILM** Scrooged ★★★ **1.00pm** Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **7.15 FILM** John Tucker Must Die ★★ Romantic comedy starring Jesse Metcalfe (HD) **9.00 FILM** Along Came Polly ★★ Romantic comedy starring Ben Stiller and Jennifer Aniston (HD) **10.50** Katherine Ryan at the Comedy Store: the Canadian comedian is joined by Elliot Steel, Tom Allen and John Robins (S) (HD) **11.20** Sara Pascoe at the Comedy Store (S) (HD) **11.50** Da Ali G Show (S) (HD) **1.00am** South Park **3.25** Bob's Burgers (S) (HD) **4.15–5.00am** Impractical Jokers (S) (HD)

Comedy Central +1 **Sky** 212 **Virgin** 133

Lifetime

Sky 187 **Virgin** 208 **BT** 329 **HD** **BT** 384

7.00am Judge Judy (HD) **1.15pm** Marrying Millions (HD) **6.15 FILM** Four Christmases and a Wedding ★★ Romantic drama starring Arielle Kebbel (W) (HD) **8.00** Cheerleader Generation: Donna preps her team for their final football match of the season, but is thrown when she receives devastating news at the game **9.00** Little Women: LA: double bill. Christy seeks out marriage advice from Tonya, then chaos breaks out among the group when Autumn and Cole come to blows (HD) **11.00** My Crazy Sex (HD) **12 midnight** Little Women: Couples Retreat (HD) **3.00–4.00am** Judge Judy (HD)

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Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries *6.00pm* Phryne

Alibi

Sky 132 **Virgin** 126 **BT** 312 **HD** **Virgin** 212 **BT** 382

7.10am Murdoch Mysteries (S) (HD) **9.00** Miss Marple (S) (AD) **11.00** Murdoch Mysteries (S) (HD) **4.00pm** Miss Marple (S) (AD)

6.00pm Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries ***7/13*** *Series 1.* Famous French painter Pierre Sarcelle dies at Montparnasse train station. **7.00** ***8/13.*** A popular author of fantasy stories is murdered at the offices of a magazine, apparently the victim of a poisoning. **8.00** ***9/13.*** Phryne teaches delinquent girls how to be ladylike for the flower parade. (S) (HD)

9.00 New Tricks ***10/10*** *Series 9* Strickland turns to the team for help when somebody tries to kill members of a group – including himself – who worked on an operation for MI5. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 Traces ***3/6.*** Crime drama by Amelia Bullmore. (AD) (HD) **11.00** ***4/6.*** Emma Hedges' return to Dundee brings her mother's murder into sharp focus as she fights to bring the killer to justice. (AD) (HD)

11.55 Carter ***10/10.*** A new clue surfaces in the mystery of Harley's mother's death. (S) (AD) (HD) **12.55am** New Tricks: double bill (S) (AD) (HD) **2.50–4.00am** Rizzoli & Isles (S) (AD) (HD)

Alibi +1 **Sky** 232 **Virgin** 191

Discovery History

Sky 171 **Virgin** 257

6.00am Great Books **8.00** Babylon Mystery **9.00** Jesus Conspiracies **11.00** Vatican: inside the Eternal City **12 noon** Who Framed Jesus? **2.00pm** Jesus: Man behind the Myths **3.00** Maria Di Nazareth **4.00** Babylon Mystery **5.00** Vatican: inside the Eternal City

6.00pm Jesus Conspiracies ***1/2.*** Lesser-known Christian texts, beginning with the prominent role played by Mary Magdalene in some apocryphal writings. **7.00** ***2/2.*** Scholars investigate the years of Jesus's life that are not related in the Bible.

8.00 Who Framed Jesus? The motives of the main suspects behind the death of Jesus are examined to solve the mystery of who the culprit really was.

10.00 Jesus: Man Behind the Myths Bible scholar Kent Dobson tries to piece together the facts about Christ, asking how much the world truly knows about the man and his life.

11.00 The Crucifixion Mystery Doctors and historians explore the medical science of crucifixion as they conduct an examination of the last 24 hours of Jesus's life.

12 midnight Babylon Mystery: profile of Nebuchadnezzar **1.00am** Maria Di Nazareth **2.00** Vatican: Inside the Eternal City **3.00** Jesus: Man behind the Myths **4.00–6.00am** Great Books

Discovery History +1 **Sky** 271 **Virgin** 261



Bones *6.00pm* Booth and Brennan agree to disagree

Fox

Sky 124 **Virgin** 157 **HD** **Virgin** 199

8.00am Bull (HD) **9.00** Bones: double bill (HD) **11.00** The Mentalist (HD) **12 noon** Bones (HD) **1.00pm** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** Bones (HD) **4.00** The Mentalist (HD)

5.00pm Bones ***12/24*** *Series 8* Hodgins and Angela wake to find the body of a Special Forces agent hanging over their bed. (HD) **6.00** ***13/24.*** Two bodies are found at the same burial site. (HD)

7.00 NCIS ***3/24*** *Series 13* Bishop and McGee pose as a married couple to investigate a US marine's murder. (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 NCIS: New Orleans ***5/24*** *Series 4.* Sebastian's reputation is placed on the line. (HD) **9.00** ***6/24.*** The murder of a petty officer is investigated. (HD)

10.00 Family Guy *Series 5* Peter goes back in time to 1984. **10.30** *Series 6.* Stewie interferes with Brian and Jillian's relationship. **11.00** Stewie decides to kill Lois. **11.30** Stewie tries to claim the title of supreme ruler of the world. **12 midnight** Lois returns to identify her would-be killer.

12.30am American Dad! **1.00** Family Guy: two episodes **2.00** American Dad! (HD) **3.00** Family Guy **4.00–5.00am** Bull (HD)

Fox +1 **Sky** 224 **Virgin** 158

History

Sky 130 **Virgin** 270 **BT** 327 **HD** **BT** 379

6.00am American Pickers (HD) **8.00** Pawn Stars (HD) **10.00** Storage Wars (HD) **11.00** Ancient Aliens (HD) **12 noon** Mountain Men (HD) **1.00pm** The Curse of Civil War Gold (HD) **3.00** Storage Wars: six back-to-back editions (HD) **6.00pm** American Pickers (HD) **7.00** Shootout (HD) **9.00 *New.*** The Strongest Man in History: the guys attempt the American Revolution's shows of strength (HD) **10.00 *New.*** Counting Cars: double bill. Danny Koker turns a 1969 Shelby GT500 rust bucket into an instant classic, then prepares several of Burt Reynolds's personal rides for auction **12 midnight** A Shot at Love with Tila Tequila (HD) **1.00am** Shootout (HD) **2.00** Pawn Stars (HD) **3.00** Storage Wars (HD) **4.00** American Pickers (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Storage Wars (HD)

History +1 **Sky** 230 **Virgin** 271

Animal Planet

Sky 162 **Virgin** 251 **BT** 325 **HD** **BT** 378

6.00am as 2.30pm **8.00** My Cat from Hell (S) (HD) **12 noon** How Do Animals Do That (S) (HD) **12.30pm** Nature's Strangest Mysteries: Solved (S) (HD) **1.00pm** How Do Animals Do That (S) (HD) **1.30** Nature's Strangest Mysteries: Solved (S) (HD) **2.00** How Do Animals Do That (S) (HD) **2.30** Nature's Strangest Mysteries: Solved (S) (HD) **3.00** Crikey! It's the Irwins (HD) **4.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (HD) **5.00** My Cat from Hell (S) (HD) **6.00** Little Giants (HD) **7.00 *New.*** Nature's Strangest Mysteries: Solved (HD) **8.00 *New.*** Crikey! It's the Irwins (HD) **9.00** Amanda to the Rescue (HD) **10.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (HD) **11.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (HD) **3.00am** Crikey! It's the Irwins (S) (HD) **4.40** Meet the Sloths (S) (HD) **5.10–6.00am** Dark Waters (S) (HD)

Animal Planet +1 **Sky** 262 **Virgin** 259



Alaska: the Last Frontier *9.00pm* Under pressure: Eivin

Discovery

Sky 125 **Virgin** 250 **BT** 322 **HD** **BT** 376

6.00am Wheeler Dealers (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm *New.* How It's Made Revealing the materials used to produce common objects. (S) (HD) **6.30 *New.*** A look at how everyday items are made. (S) (HD)

7.00 Gold Divers The miners discuss their toughest and richest season. (S) (HD)

8.00 *New.* Blowing Up History Experts reveal the secrets of Thermopylae, an ancient battle where it is believed 300 Spartan warriors lost their lives. (HD)

9.00 *New.* Alaska: the Last Frontier For the first time since blasting Kilcher Road, Eivin tries to haul a huge pole barn. (HD)

10.00 *New.* Undercover Billionaire Glenn comes up with a bold new plan to expand the business, but a problem arises that could jeopardise everything. (S) (HD)

11.00 Gold Rush Following the gold miners of the Yukon. (HD) **12 midnight** Gold Rush: White Water (HD) **1.00am** Alaska: the Last Frontier (HD) **2.00** Bitchin' Rides (S) (HD) **3.00** Undercover Billionaire (S) (HD) **3.50** Alaska: the Last Frontier (HD) **4.40** Blowing Up History (HD) **5.30–6.00am** How It's Made (S) (HD)

Discovery +1 **Sky** 225 **Virgin** 258

Nat Geographic

Sky 129 **Virgin** 266 **BT** 317 **HD** **Virgin** 268 **BT** 373

8.00am Car SOS: ten editions (HD) **6.00pm** Car SOS: six editions. Fuzz Townshend and Tim Shaw restore a 1971 Lamborghini Espada **7.00** Tim and Fuzz work on a 1972 Ford Escort Mexico belonging to a Jersey resident with blood cancer and tuberculosis **8.00** A 1983 Citroen 2CV, which has been stripped down to its component parts. **9.00** Marfan syndrome means Andrew can no longer work on his classic 1971 Triumph GT6 **10.00** A Toyota FJ40 Land Cruiser off-roader that has developed engine problems while its owner was diagnosed with a potentially life-limiting disorder **11.00** Tim and Fuzz secretly restore a Japanese rally car belonging to a man with a degenerative back condition (HD) **12 midnight–5.00am** Car SOS (HD)

Nat Geo +1 **Sky** 229 **Virgin** 267

Eden

Sky 166 **Virgin** 245 **BT** 315 **HD** **Virgin** 247 **BT** 389

9.00am Big Cats (AD) (HD) **11.00** Elsa – the Lioness That Changed the World **12 noon** Africa's Fishing Leopards (AD) (HD) **1.00pm** Cheetahs: Growing Up Fast (HD) **2.00** Big Cats (AD) (HD) **4.00** Elsa – the Lioness That Changed the World **5.00** Africa's Fishing Leopards (AD) (HD) **6.00** Cheetahs: Growing Up Fast (HD) **7.00** Big Cats (AD) (HD) **9.00** Elsa – the Lioness That Changed the World **10.00** Africa's Fishing Leopards (AD) (HD) **11.00** Cheetahs: Growing Up Fast (HD) **12 midnight** Big Cats (AD) (HD) **2.00am** Elsa – the Lioness That Changed the World **3.00** Africa's Fishing Leopards (AD) (HD) **3.50** Cheetahs: Growing Up Fast (HD) **4.40** Frontier Borneo (HD) **5.30–6.00am** Jungle Planet (HD)

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I Was There: the Great War Interviews *9.50pm*

PBS America 91

F'view 91 (1–11pm only) **F'sat** 155 **Sky** 174 **Virgin** 273

8.00am The Women of World War One **9.15** The First World War from Above **10.35** I Was There: the Great War Interviews **11.50** Great War Stories **1.00pm** Far from Home: Canada and the Great War

7.15pm The Women of World War One The impact of women taking over jobs from men fighting abroad during the First World War, exploring whether the changes were long-lasting or only for the duration of the conflict.

8.30 The First World War from Above Fergal Keane examines aerial film and photographs of the conflict, revealing its devastating impact on the Western Front and on the lives of soldiers and civilians.

9.50 I Was There: the Great War Interviews Archive recordings from the early 1960s in which people talk about their experiences of the First World War, with recollections about both the battlefield and the home front.

11.00 Great War Stories Accounts from the First World War, from the first civilian killed in the conflict to the letters from a frontline soldier to a little girl back home.

12.15am The Women of World War One **1.30–2.00am** The Aviators

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F'view (HD only) 99 **F'sat** 175 **Sky** 195 **Virgin** 276

6.00am Aerial America (HD) **7.00** America's Hidden Stories (HD) **8.00** Mystery of the Nazca Lines (HD) **9.00** Wonders of Burma (HD) **11.00** China's Forbidden City (HD) **1.00pm** Angkor: Land of the Gods (HD) **3.00** Inside the Christmas Factory **4.00** Gallipoli (HD) **6.00** Secret City of WWI (HD) **7.00** Napoleon's Waterloo: account of the emperor's final battle as he attempted to re-establish himself (HD) **8.00** America in Colour: a vivid and shocking look at America's most notorious criminals (HD) **9.00** Britain in Colour (HD) **10.00** Inside the Christmas Factory **11.00** America in Colour (HD) **12 midnight** Britain in Colour (HD) **1.00am** Hunt for the Double Eagle (HD) **2.00** America in Colour (HD) **3.00** Britain in Colour (HD) **4.00** Hunt for the Double Eagle (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Aircrash Alaska (HD)

Sony Crime

Freesat 143 **Sky** 179 **Virgin** 193

6.00am Speeders **7.00** Bait Car: LA **9.00** Speeders **11.00** Bait Car: LA **1.00pm** Speeders: ten editions **6.00** Speeders: six further editions. Officer Olson pulls over a couple of teens and gives them a pop quiz **6.30** Officer Williams stops a confused wedding planner **7.00** Officer Hartsell pulls over a car decorated with pieces of junk **7.30** A car full of Italian tourists who are on the look out for American ladies **8.00** as 6pm **8.30** as 6.30pm **9.00** Bait Car: LA: how the police catch car thieves in the act by arranging bait vehicles equipped with tracking devices and hidden cameras **11.00** Speeders: double bill **12 midnight** Bait Car **1.00am** Speeders **3.00** Bait Car: LA **3.30** Bait Car: San Francisco **4.00** Speeders **5.00–6.00am** Bait Car

CHILDREN'S

Milkshake! on C5

Full listings for Channel 5 are on p114

6.00am Peppa Pig **6.15** Ben and Holly **6.30** Olly the Little White Van **6.35** Bob the Builder **6.45** Fireman Sam **6.55 *New.*** Thomas & Friends: Thomas is desperate to impress his friends by finding an amazing discovery **7.20** Shane the Chef **7.40** Ben and Holly **7.55** Peppa Pig **8.15** Butterbean's Cafe **8.30** Paw Patrol **8.50** Nella the Princess Knight **9.10** Pirata & Capitano **9.25** Floogals **9.40** Shimmer and Shine **9.50–10.05am** Digby Dragon

CBeebies 202

Freeview 202 **Freesat** 608 **Sky** 614 **Virgin** 702

6.00am Show Me Show Me: a Winter Special **6.20** Twirlywoos **6.35** Teletubbies **6.50** Raa Raa the Noisy Lion **7.00** Postman Pat: the Christmas Panto Horse **7.15** Bing **7.30** Hey Duggee **7.50** Peter Rabbit **8.00** Go Jetters **8.10** Octonauts **8.25** Bitz & Bob **8.35** The Furchester Hotel **8.45** Biggleton **9.00** Something Special: We're All Friends **9.20** Footy Pups **9.35** CBeebies Hansel and Gretel **10.20** Sarah & Duck: Petal Light Picking **10.30** Swashbuckle: Christmas Special **10.55** Andy's Safari Adventures **11.10** Maddie's Do You Know? **11.25** Waffle the Wonder Dog **11.35** Topsy and Tim: double bill **12 noon** My World Kitchen; Our Family Fun **12.15pm** Katie Morag **12.30** Sarah & Duck: Seacow Snow Trail **12.40** Down on the Farm: how Christmas trees are grown **1.00** Where in the World? **1.15** My Story **1.30** Ferne and Rory's Vet Tales **1.45** My First **1.55** Something Special: a Magical Christmas **2.20** Andy's Baby Animals **2.30** Junk Rescue **2.45** My First Festival: Hanukkah **3.00** Bitz & Bob **3.10** Tree Fu Tom: the Sprite before Christmas: everyone prepares for Winterfest **3.35** Go Jetters **3.50** Molly and Mack **4.10** The Baby Club: Christmas Bells **4.25** Magic Hands **4.40** Treasure Champs **4.55** Woolly & Tig **5.00** GiggleQuiz **5.15** Apple Tree House **5.30** Katie Morag **5.45** Sarah & Duck **5.50** Charlie and Lola **6.00pm** Tee and Mo **6.10** Clangers **6.20** In the Night Garden… **6.50–7.00pm *New.*** Bedtime Stories

CBBC 201

Freeview 201 **Freesat** 607 **Sky** 613 **Virgin** 701

7.00am Arthur **7.15** Shaun the Sheep **7.25** Danger Mouse **7.35** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **7.45** Danny & Mick **8.00** Odd Squad **8.10** Diddy TV **8.25** ***New.*** The Dog Ate My Homework **9.00** A Blue Peter Christmas…Here's One We Made Earlier! **9.30 *New.*** Top Class **10.25** A Week to Beat the World **10.40** Kung Fu Panda Holiday **11.05** Odd Squad **11.25** Horrible Histories: Horrible Christmas **11.55** Naomi's Nightmares of Nature **12.25pm** All Over the Place: UK **12.55** Operation Ouch! **1.20** My Life: Born to Vlog **1.50** Class Dismissed: Christmas Special **2.15** Hetty Feather: triple bill **4.05** The Next Step **4.55** 4 o'Clock Club: comedy **5.25** The Playlist **5.45 *New.*** A Week to Beat the World **6.20pm** Top Class **7.15** The Demon Headmaster **7.50** FOMO Festive Replay **8.05–9.00pm** Secret Life of Boys: Farther Christmas: ten episodes

CITV 203

Freeview 203 **Freesat** 602 **Sky** 621 **Virgin** 734

6.00am Dino Dana **6.10** Super 4 **6.35** Thunderbirds Are Go **7.00** Dare Master **7.05** Mr Magoo **7.30** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **7.55** Robozuna **8.25** Shrek the Halls **8.55** Dave Spud **9.25** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **10.25** Mr Magoo **10.55** ToonMarty **11.10** Wishfart **11.25** Pokémon Sun and Moon-Ultra Legends **11.55** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **1.25pm** Scooby Doo! Haunted Holidays **1.55** Hotel Transylvania **2.25** Dave Spud **2.55** Bagel and Becky **3.30** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **4.30** Mr Magoo **5.00** Wishfart **5.45** Make It Pop **6.15pm** Robozuna **6.45** Scooby Doo! Haunted Holidays **7.15** The Bagel and Becky Show **7.40** Massive Monster Mayhem **8.05** Drop Dead Weird **8.30** Project Z **8.55–9.00pm** Dare Master

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Contesting the crown

P Mary Queen of Scots ★★★ *8.00pm* ***Sky Premiere***

The rivalry between royal cousins Mary Stuart (Saoirse Ronan) and Queen Elizabeth I (Margot Robbie) is brought to the screen in this drama based on John Guy's biography. Although a familiar story, this retelling boasts a keen feminist slant and upfront sexuality, as well as addressing diversity issues and fake-news debates. Ronan is regal fearlessness personified and Robbie brings quiet dignity to her Virgin Queen. But, with little spark, Josie Rourke's directing debut often borders on boredom. **ALAN JONES**



The best of British

Tarka the Otter ★★★ ***BritBox***

New streaming service BritBox keeps adding to its library of classic films, with this being a recent addition. Author Henry Williamson refused to allow Disney to film his much-loved wildlife novel. Instead, he entrusted the story of Tarka to director David Cobham, who co-wrote the script with Gerald Durrell. Although the action is occasionally deflected by a nature ramble approach, Tarka's adventures in the Devon countryside are skilfully staged and vividly brought to life by Peter Ustinov's narration. **DAVID PARKINSON**

A tangled web

Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse ★★★★

4.00pm ***Sky Hits***



This cracking animated spin on the superhero focuses on teenager Miles Morales, who develops arachnid abilities after being bitten by a spider, and then encounters other spider-folk from different dimensions. Among them, Nicolas Cage gets plenty of laughs as a 1930s gumshoe take on the character. **STEPHEN CARTY**

FREEVIEW

Film4 14

F'view 14 **F'sat** 300 **Sky** 313 **Virgin** 428 **HD Virgin** 429

11.00am Black Nativity ★★ Sweet musical drama. Jacob Latimore, Jennifer Hudson (2013, PG) (S) (AD)
12.50pm Megamind ★★★★ Fun animated superhero adventure. Will Ferrell (2010, PG) (S) (AD)
2.40 DragonHeart ★★★ Likeable fantasy. Dennis Quaid, Sean Connery, David Thewlis (1996, PG) (S)
4.45pm Nutty Professor 2: the Klumps ★★★ Amusing comedy sequel starring Eddie Murphy. Janet Jackson (2000, 12)
6.45 Cowboys & Aliens ★★★★ Cowboy Daniel Craig must ally with cattle baron Harrison Ford in this absorbing sci-fi western adventure. (2011, 12) (S) (AD)
9.00 Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children ★★★★ Deliriously dark fable with Eva Green as the mother hen to oddly gifted youngsters. (2016, 12) (S) (AD)
11.30pm 2 Guns ★★★★ Taut crime caper starring Denzel Washington and Mark Wahlberg as undercover agents unaware of the other's real identity. (2013, 15) (S) (AD)
1.35–3.55am 47 Ronin ★★★ Samurai drama in which Keanu Reeves rallies a band of warriors for revenge. (2012, 12) (S) (AD)
Film4 +1 F'view 45 **F'sat** 301 **Sky** 314 **Virgin** 430

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Freeview 32 **Freesat** 302 **Sky** 321 **Virgin** 425

9.10am Oh Christmas Tree ★★ Romantic comedy. (2013) **11.00 Matilda ★★★★** Comedy fantasy. Mara Wilson, Danny DeVito (1996, PG) **1.00pm Bicentennial Man ★★** Sci-fi comedy drama. Robin Williams (1999, PG) **3.35 Phenomenon ★★★** Feel-good sci-fi fable. John Travolta (1996, PG)
6.10pm Seabiscuit ★★★ Absorbing story of a legendary racehorse. Tobey Maguire (2003, PG)
9.00 The Talented Mr Ripley ★★★★ Glossy thriller. Matt Damon, Gwyneth Paltrow (1999, 15)
11.50 21 Grams ★★★★ Astonishing drama. Sean Penn, Benicio Del Toro, Naomi Watts (2003, 15)
2.20am Aftermath ★★★ Thriller. Arnold Schwarzenegger, Scoot McNairy (2017, 15) **4.05–6.00am A Gift Wrapped Christmas ★★★** Comedy drama. Meredith Hagner, Travis Milne (2015)
Sony Movies +1 F'view 60 (*limited* 10pm-5am) **Sky** 322

Sony Action 40

F'view 40 *(limited)* **F'sat** 305 **Sky** 323 **Virgin** 426

6.00am The Big Sky ★★★★ Western. Kirk Douglas (1952, U) **8.15 Cowboys & Indians ★★** Western. (2011) **10.05 The Westerner ★★★★** Western. Gary Cooper (1940, U) **12.15pm Man from Del Rio ★★** Western. Anthony Quinn (1956, PG)
2.00 War Drums ★★ Western. (1957, 12) **3.40 Fort Yuma ★★** Western. (1955) **5.20 Revolt at Fort Laramie ★★** Western. John Dehner (1957, U)
6.55pm Massacre at Buffalo Valley ★★ Drama. Kelly Greyson, Natalie Racoosin, Clay Walker (2013, 12)
9.00 Maximum Security ★★ Action outing for Dolph Lundgren. (2017, 15)
10.50 Sniper: Legacy ★★ The hunt for a rogue assassin. Chad Michael Collins, (2014, 15)
12.50am The Kane Files ★★ Thriller. Drew Fuller (2010, 15) **2.35–4.00am Criminal Intent ★★** Crime thriller. Sebastian Spence (2005)
Sony Action +1 Sky 324

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Freeview 81 **Freesat** 306 **Sky** 328 **Virgin** 445

6.35am Casbah ★★★★ Musical drama. Yvonne De Carlo (1948, PG) (S) **8.15 Valley of Eagles ★★** Crime drama. Jack Warner (1951, PG) **9.55 Rome Express ★★★★** Crime drama. Esther Ralston (1932, U) **11.50 When the Whales Came ★★★** Drama. Paul Scofield (1989, U) (S) **1.50pm Dancing with Crime ★★** Drama. Richard Attenborough (1946, PG) (S) **3.30** Catweazle **4.00 Derby Day ★★★** Drama. Anna Neagle (1952, U) (S)
6.00pm Get Some In! TV sitcom.
6.30 Diary for Timothy Short film.
7.20 Make Mine a Million ★★★ Satire on TV advertising. **Review, p72.** Arthur Askey (1959, U) (S)
9.00 Mystery and Imagination TV series.
10.50 Fear in the Night ★★★ Eerie psychological horror. Peter Cushing (1972, 12)
12.40am DOA ★★★★ Thriller. Dennis Quaid (1988, 15) **2.40 Three Came Home ★★★★** Drama. Claudette Colbert (1950, 12) **4.45–6.00am Death Goes to School ★★** Mystery. (1953, PG) (S)

Premiere

Sky 301 **Virgin** 401 **BT** 501

6.00am A Wedding for Christmas ★★ Romance. Cristine Prosperi (2018)
7.40 The Ladybug ★★ Animated adventure. Lisa Schwartz (2018, PG) **9.10 The Keeper ★★★** Drama. David Kross (2018, 15) **11.15** As 8pm **1.30pm Glass ★★★** Fantasy. Bruce Willis (2019, 15) **3.45** The Top Ten Show **4.00** As 10.10pm

6.00pm Little ★★ A body swap forces a horrid tech magnate to learn some life lessons in this comedy. Regina Hall, Issa Rae (2019, 12)
8.00 P Mary Queen of Scots ★★★ A keen feminist slant and upfront sexuality liven up this historical drama. **Choice, left.** Saoirse Ronan, Margot Robbie (2018, 15)
10.10 Bumblebee ★★★ Fun *Transformers* spin-off. Hailee Steinfeld, John Cena, Dylan O'Brien (2018, PG)

12.10am Little As 6pm **2.10 Glass** As 1.30pm **4.25 A Wedding for Christmas** As 6am

Premiere +1 Sky 312 **Virgin** 412

Hits

Sky 303 **Virgin** 403 **BT** 503

8.15am A Dog's Way Home ★★★ Adventure. Ashley Judd (2018, PG) **10.00 Goosebumps 2: Haunted Halloween ★★** Comedy horror. Wendi McLendon-Covey (2018, PG) **11.40** As 6pm **1.40pm Fantastic Beasts: the Crimes of Grindelwald ★★★★** Fantasy. Eddie Redmayne, (2018, 12)

4.00pm Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse ★★★★ Clever animated adventure. **Choice, left.** Jake Johnson, Shameik Moore (2018, PG)
6.00 Thor ★★★ Spectacular-looking adventure. Chris Hemsworth (2011, 12)
8.00 Avengers: Infinity War ★★★★ Epic action extravaganza. Robert Downey Jr, Chris Evans (2018, 12)
10.30 Hotel Mumbai ★★★ Unflinching fact-based thriller. Dev Patel, Armie Hammer, Nazanin Boniadi (2018, 15)

12.35am The Dark Knight Fantasy. Christian Bale, Heath Ledger, Aaron Eckhart (2008, 12) **3.10 The World's End ★★★** Sci-fi comedy. Simon Pegg, Nick Frost (2013, 15) **5.05 My Girl ★★** Drama. Dan Aykroyd (1991, PG)

Action

Sky 307 **Virgin** 407 **BT** 507

6.00am Braveheart As 3.35pm **9.00 Transformers** As 6.35pm **11.25 Mortal Engines** As 9pm **1.35pm 300** As 11.15pm **3.35 Braveheart ★★★★** Rousing, bloodthirsty historical drama with Mel Gibson in fiery-eyed heroic mode. Sophie Marceau, Patrick McGoohan (1995, 15)

6.35pm Transformers ★★★★ A teenager is drawn into a robot war between the Autobots and the Decepticons. Shia LaBeouf (2007, 12)
9.00 Mortal Engines ★★★ Visually stunning steampunk riff on *Star Wars*. Hugo Weaving, Hera Hilmar, Robert Sheehan, Stephen Lang, Jihae (2018, 12)
11.15 300 ★★★★ Gerard Butler stars as the king of Sparta in this breathtaking historical adventure. Lena Headey, David Wenham, Dominic West (2006, 15)

1.15am Fast & Furious ★★ Action thriller. Vin Diesel, Paul Walker (2009, 12) **3.15 The Hurricane Heist ★★** Thriller. Maggie Grace, Toby Kebbell (2018, 12) **5.05** Lego DC Comics Super Heroes: Justice League vs Bizarro League

Star Wars

Sky 302 **Virgin** 402 **BT** 502

6.00am As 10.30pm **8.25** As 5.30pm **10.45 Episode II: Attack of the Clones** As 8pm **1.15pm: The Clone Wars ★★** Anakin Skywalker must rescue Jabba the Hutt's son in this flashy animated sci-fi adventure. Matt Lanter, James Arnold Taylor (2008, PG) **3.00** As 10.30pm

5.30pm Episode I: the Phantom Menace ★★★ The Skywalker legend is born. Liam Neeson, Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman, Jake Lloyd (1999, U)
8.00 Episode II: Attack of the Clones ★★★ Obi-Wan Kenobi uncovers a deadly plot. Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman, Hayden Christensen (2002, PG)
10.30 Episode III: Revenge of the Sith ★★★ The dark destiny of Anakin Skywalker is decided. Ewan McGregor, Hayden Christensen (2005, 12)

1.00am Episode I: the Phantom Menace As 5.30pm **3.30 Episode II: Attack of the Clones** As 8pm

Christmas

Sky 304 **Virgin** 410 **BT** 510

6.10am Santa Paws 2: the Santa Pups ★★ Comedy adventure. Cheryl Ladd, Danny Woodburn, Kaitlyn Maher (2012, U) **7.50** As 9.50pm **9.30** As 5.35pm **11.55** As 8pm **1.45pm** As 11.35pm **3.25 Miracle on 34th Street ★★★** Christmas fantasy. Richard Attenborough, Elizabeth Perkins (1994, U)

5.35pm It's a Wonderful Life Classic fantasy drama. **Choice, p138.** James Stewart, Donna Reed, Lionel Barrymore, Thomas Mitchell (1946, U)
8.00 Arthur Christmas ★★★ Likeable animated romp. James McAvoy, Hugh Laurie, Jim Broadbent (2011, U)
9.50 Jingle All the Way ★★ Comedy. Arnold Schwarzenegger (1996, PG)
11.35 The Muppet Christmas Carol ★★★★ Wonderful comic adaptation. Michael Caine (1992, U)

1.10am The Swan Princess Christmas ★★ Animated fantasy. Elle Deets, Yuri Lowenthal, Jennifer Miller (2012, PG) **2.50** As 6.10am **4.25 Coming Home for Christmas ★★** Romance. Danica McKellar (2017)

Musicals

Sky 308 **Virgin** 404 **BT** 504

6.00am Mulan ★★★★ Adventure. Ming-Na (1998, U) **7.35 Labyrinth ★★★** Fantasy. David Bowie (1986, U) **9.20** As 6.40pm **11.40** As 9pm **1.30pm Singin' in the Rain** Comedy. Gene Kelly (1952, U) **3.15 Mary Poppins** Fantasy. Julie Andrews, Dick Van Dyke (1964, U) **5.40** Cats Special

6.40pm Bohemian Rhapsody ★★★ Rami Malek gives an Oscar-winning portrayal of Freddie Mercury. **Choice, p186.** (2018, 12)
9.00 The Greatest Showman ★★★★ Sing-along version of the musical about circus inventor PT Barnum, played by Hugh Jackman. Zac Efron, Zendaya (2017, PG)
10.50 The Fighting Temptations ★★ Comedy about a gospel choir. Cuba Gooding Jr, Beyoncé Knowles (2003, PG)

12.55am Dreamgirls ★★★ Musical drama. Jamie Foxx, Beyoncé Knowles, Eddie Murphy, Jennifer Hudson (2006, 12) **3.05 Saturday Church ★★★** Musical drama. Luka Kain (2017, 15) **4.35** As 6am

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Disney

Sky 305 **Virgin** 405 **BT** 505

6.10am A Bug's Life ★★★★ (1998, U) **7.50 Big Hero 6** ★★★★ Adventure. (2014, PG) **9.35** As 8pm **11.35** As 6.20pm **1.15pm** As 10pm **2.50 The Princess and the Frog** ★★★ Fantasy. (2009, U) **4.30** Party Central **4.40 The Muppet Christmas Carol** ★★★★ Fantasy. (1992, U)

6.10pm Lava Animated short.

6.20 Up ★★★★★ Masterly Pixar fantasy adventure. Ed Asner (2009, U)

8.00 Dumbo ★★★★ Live-action remake of the elephant fantasy. Colin Farrell, Michael Keaton (2019, PG)

10.00 Aladdin ★★★★★ Delightful animated adventure. (1992, U)

11.40 The Sword in the Stone ★★★ Thoroughly enjoyable cartoon adventure. Rickie Sorensen (1963, U)

1.05am The Hunchback of Notre Dame ★★★★ Animated musical drama. Tom Hulce, Demi Moore, Kevin Kline (1996, U) **2.40 The Aristocats** ★★★★ Animated adventure. Phil Harris, Eva Gabor (1970, U) **4.10** As 2.50pm

Thriller

Sky 309 **Virgin** 409 **BT** 509

7.05am The International As 3.45pm **9.15 The Conversation** ★★★★★ Psychological drama. Gene Hackman (1974, 12) **11.20 Safe House** As 8pm **1.30pm Enemy of the State** As 10pm **3.45 The International** ★★ Stylish spy tale. Clive Owen, Naomi Watts, Armin Mueller-Stahl, Ulrich Thomsen (2009, 15)

5.45pm The Constant Gardener ★★★★ A diplomat's activist wife is murdered in Kenya. Ralph Fiennes, Rachel Weisz (2005, 15)

8.00 Safe House ★★★ A rookie CIA operative is forced to go on the run in Cape Town. Ryan Reynolds, Denzel Washington (2012, 15)

10.00 Enemy of the State ★★★★ Conspiracy thriller in which a lawyer is pursued by government spooks. Will Smith (1998, 15)

12.15am The Conversation As 9.15am **2.15 Marathon Man** ★★★★ Gripping tale. Dustin Hoffman, Laurence Olivier (1976, 15) **4.30 Point Last Seen** ★★★ True story. Linda Hamilton (1998)

Sci-Fi/Horror

Sky 311 **Virgin** 411 **BT** 511

6.00am Close Encounters of the Third Kind ★★★★★ Drama. Richard Dreyfuss (1998, PG) **8.30** As 5.45pm **10.45 The Matrix** As 8pm **1.10pm The Matrix Reloaded** As 10.30pm **3.30 The Matrix Revolutions** ★★★ Acrobatic final part of the trilogy. Keanu Reeves, Carrie-Anne Moss (2003, 15)

5.45pm Glass ★★★ M Night Shyamalan's intriguing follow-up to *Unbreakable* and *Split*. Bruce Willis, Samuel L Jackson, James McAvoy (2019, 15)

8.00 The Matrix ★★★★★ Spectacular action thriller about a computer hacker drawn into a nightmare of alternative worlds. Keanu Reeves, Carrie-Anne Moss (1999, 15)

10.30 The Matrix Reloaded ★★★ Stylish, effects-laden sequel. Keanu Reeves, Laurence Fishburne (2002, 15)

1.00am The Matrix Revolutions As 3.30pm **3.15** The Top Ten Show **3.30 Close Encounters of the Third Kind** As 6am

Family

Sky 306 **Virgin** 406 **BT** 506

6.05am Bah Humduck!: a Looney Tunes Christmas **7.05** As 5.40pm **9.25** As 3.55pm **11.05** As 9.45pm **12.30pm** As 8pm **2.15 Smallfoot** ★★ Fantasy. Channing Tatum, James Corden (2018, U) **3.55 Hotel Transylvania 3: a Monster Vacation** ★★★ Animated comedy. Adam Sandler (2018, U)

5.40pm How to Train Your Dragon: the Hidden World ★★★★ Terrific animated adventure Jay Baruchel (2019, PG)

8.00 The Lego Movie ★★★★ Awesomely imaginative animated comedy. Chris Pratt, Will Ferrell (2014, U)

9.45 Garfield ★★ Part-animated adaptation. Breckin Meyer (2004, U)

11.10 Who Framed Roger Rabbit ★★★★★ Zany, Oscar-winning detective comedy. Bob Hoskins (1988, PG)

1.05am Look Who's Talking ★★★ Comedy. John Travolta, Kirstie Alley (1989, 12) **2.50 Look Who's Talking Too** ★★ Comedy. John Travolta, Kirstie Alley (1990, 15) **4.20 Monster Family** ★ Animated comedy. Emily Watson (2017, PG)

Comedy

Sky 310 **Virgin** 408 **BT** 508

7.40am Made of Honor ★★ Romance. (2008, 12) **9.30 Tooth Fairy** ★★★ Fantasy. (2009, PG) **11.15 Johnny English** ★★ Adventure. Rowan Atkinson (2003, PG) **12.50pm Johnny English Reborn** ★★★ Adventure. Rowan Atkinson (2011, PG) **2.35 Johnny English Strikes Again** ★★ Spy tale. (2018, PG)

4.05pm We're the Millers ★★★ Abrasive but nicely played road movie. Jennifer Aniston, Jason Sudeikis (2013, 15)

6.00 The 40 Year Old Virgin ★★★ Sharply scripted comedy. Steve Carell, Catherine Keener (2005, 15)

8.00 Little ★★ Fanciful body-swap comedy. Regina Hall, Issa Rae (2019, 12)

9.50 Jerry Maguire ★★★★ Witty and moving romantic comedy drama. Tom Cruise, Cuba Gooding Jr, Renee Zellweger, Kelly Preston (1996, 15)

12.15am Being Frank ★★ Comedy. Jim Gaffigan, Logan Miller (2018) **2.15 Tooth Fairy** As 9.30am **4.05 Johnny English** As 11.15am **5.40 Summer Rental** ★★ Comedy. John Candy, Richard Crenna (1985, PG)

TCM Movies

Sky 315 **Virgin** 415 **BT** 512 **HD** **Virgin** 416

6.00am Close Up **6.30 Fort Massacre** ★★ Western. (1958, PG) **8.10 Gun Fight** ★★ Western. (1961, U) **9.40 The Belles of St Trinian's** ★★★ Comedy. (1954, U) **11.35 Gun Fever** ★★ Western. (1958) **1.20pm The Lone Gun** ★★ Western. (1954) **3.00 Sierra** ★★ Western. (1950, U)

4.50pm The Gambler Wore a Gun ★★★ Enjoyable western. James Davis, Merry Anders, Mark Allen (1961, U)

6.10 The Day of the Jackal ★★★★★ Suspenseful thriller adapted from Frederick Forsyth's bestseller. Edward Fox, Michel Lonsdale (1973, 15)

9.00 Absolute Power ★★★ Well-paced tale of corruption. Clint Eastwood, Gene Hackman, Ed Harris (1996, 15)

11.35 The Island ★★★ Exciting futuristic thriller. Ewan McGregor (2005, 12)

2.20am A Christmas Carol ★★★ Period drama. Reginald Owen, Gene Lockhart (1938, U) **3.40** Off Set **4.30** Hollywood's Best Film Directors

TCM Movies +1 **Sky** 316 **Virgin** 417

SPORT



Premier League *1.00pm* ***Sky PL*** *2.00pm* ***Main Event*** Watford star Gerard Deulofeu

Sky Main Event

Sky 401 **Virgin** 511 **BT** 402 **HD** **Virgin** 501 **BT** 437

6.00am Sky Sports News **7.00** Total Goals **10.00** The Sunday Supplement **11.30 LIVE Championship Football** Sheffield Wednesday v Bristol City, from Hillsborough (kick-off **12.00**). **2.00pm LIVE Premier League Football** Watford v Manchester Utd; **4.00** Tottenham Hotspur v Chelsea. **7.00 LIVE World Darts** Day ten. **11.00 LIVE NFL** A week 16 game; **12.30am** Chicago Bears v Kansas City Chiefs (kick-off **1.20**). **5.00–6.00am** Sky Sports News

Sky Football

Sky 403 **Virgin** 513 **HD** **Virgin** 503

6.00am Championship Highlights **7.00** League One and Two Goals **7.30** Championship Highlights **9.30** League One and Two Goals **10.00** The Sunday Supplement **11.30 LIVE Championship Football** Sheffield Wednesday v Bristol City. **2.30pm** Championship Highlights **5.00** League One and Two Goals **5.30** Championship Highlights **8.30 LIVE NBA** Toronto Raptors v Dallas Mavericks (tip-off **8.30**). **11.00** Championship Highlights **12 midnight** League One and Two Goals **12.30am** Football's Greatest Players (AD) **1.00** Football Years (AD) **1.30** Football Countdowns (AD) **2.00** SPFL Greatest Games **2.30** One2Eleven (AD) **3.00** Classic Play-Off Finals **4.00** Football's Greatest Players (AD) **5.00–6.00am** Classic Play-Off Finals

Sky Golf

Sky 405 **Virgin** 515 **HD** **Virgin** 505

6.00am Golf **7.00** Golf: Australian PGA Championship **10.30** Golf **11.30** Golf: Australian PGA Championship **3.00pm** PGA Tour Champions **4.00** Golf: Australian PGA Championship **7.30** Golfer of the Decade **9.30** The Clara Jug **10.00** EuroPro Tour Review **10.30** Golf: Australian PGA Championship **2.00am** Challenge Tour Golf **3.00–6.00am** Chronicles (AD)

Premier Sports 1

Sky 412 **Virgin** 551

11.20am–1.25pm LIVE Italian Football Atalanta v AC Milan. **7.35–9.45pm LIVE Italian Football** Sassuolo v Napoli (kick-off **7.45**).

Premier Sports 2

Sky 429 **Virgin** 552

3.00–5.00pm LIVE Spanish Football Real Betis v Atlético Madrid (kick-off **3.00**). **7.30–10.00pm LIVE Spanish Football** Real Madrid v Athletic Bilbao.

Sky Premier League

Sky 402 **Virgin** 512 **HD** **Virgin** 502

6.00am Greatest Games (AD) **7.00** Premier League Football **10.00** Sunday Supplement **11.30** Goals on Sunday **1.00pm LIVE Premier League Football** Watford v Manchester United, the top-flight clash from Vicarage Road (kick-off **2.00**); **4.00** Tottenham Hotspur v Chelsea, from Tottenham Hotspur Stadium (kick-off **4.30**). **7.30** Soccerbox **8.30** Goals on Sunday **10.00** Premier League Highlights **11.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox (AD) **11.30** Premier League Highlights **12.30am** Gary Neville's Soccerbox (AD) **1.00** Premier League Highlights **2.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox (AD) **2.30** Premier League Highlights **5.30–6.00am** 100 Club Finest (AD)

Sky Cricket

Sky 404 **Virgin** 514 **HD** **Virgin** 504

6.00am Best of the Women's World T20 **7.05** Cricket's Greatest Games (AD) **8.00** Best of the Women's World T20 **9.05** Cricket's Greatest Games (AD) **10.00** Cricket World Cup: a look back at Australia's 2019 campaign **8.00pm** Cricket World Cup: bitesize highlights from the 2019 tournament **9.15** Best of England v South Africa **9.40** Greatest Games **10.00** KP: Story of a Genius **10.30** World Cup Classics **10.45** Cricket World Cup: 2019 action **12 midnight** How the 2014 World T20 Was Won **2.00am** Greatest Games (AD) **2.55** Best of the Women's World T20 **4.00** Cricket's Greatest Games (AD) **4.55–6.00am** Women's World T20

Sky Action

Sky 407 **Virgin** 517 **HD** **Virgin** 507

6.00am Boxing Gold (AD) **8.00** Wrestling **10.00** NFL **1.00pm** Boxing: Daniel Jacobs v Julio Cesar Chavez Jr **4.30** NFL Roundtable **5.00 LIVE NFL** A vital clash from the race for the play-offs; **9.05** Another week 16 game; **12.30am** Chicago Bears v Kansas City Chiefs, from Soldier Field (kick-off **1.20**). **5.00–6.00am** Sporting Greats (AD)

Sky Darts

Sky 408 **Virgin** 518 **HD** **Virgin** 508

6.00am Darts Gold (AD) **7.00** Legends of Darts **7.30** Darts Gold (AD) **7.45** Legends of Darts (AD) **8.00** World Darts **12 noon** Darts Gold (AD) **12.30pm LIVE World Darts** The first session on day ten of the PDC World Championship, featuring first-round action. **4.30** Darts Gold (AD) **6.30** Darts Top Five Moments **7.00 LIVE World Darts** The second session on day ten at Alexandra Palace, featuring three more first-round matches. **11.00** Darts Gold **1.00am** World Darts **5.00–6.00am** Darts Gold

Eurosport 1

Sky 410 **Virgin** 521 **BT** 412 **HD** **BT** 435

7.00am Watts **7.50** Alpine Skiing **8.50 LIVE Alpine Skiing** World Cup action, featuring the men's giant slalom from Alta Badia and women's Super-G at Val d'Isere. **11.10 LIVE Biathlon** World Cup. **12 noon LIVE Alpine Skiing** **1.15pm LIVE Biathlon** World Cup. **1.55 LIVE Ski Jumping** World Cup, day two of the HS140 jump. **3.45** Alpine Skiing **5.45** Ski Jumping **6.45** Biathlon **7.45** Alpine Skiing **9.45** Snowboarding **10.45** Freestyle Skiing **11.45** Ski Jumping **1.05–7.20am** Watts

BT Sport 1

Sky 413 **Virgin** 527 **BT** 408 **HD** **BT** 430

7.00am One-Day Cricket **8.00 LIVE T20 Cricket** Sydney Sixers v Brisbane Heat, the Big Bash League. **11.15** What I Wore **11.30** Reload **12 noon** The Outdoor Sports Show (AD) **12.30pm** Rugby Union **2.30 LIVE Rugby Union** London Irish v Bath, in the Premiership (kick-off **3.00**). **5.15** Rugby Union **6.00** T20 Cricket **7.00** Boxing **7.15** Mic'd Up **7.45** BT Sport Reload **8.00 LIVE Basketball** Virginia Cavaliers v South Carolina Gamecocks (tip-off **8.00**). **10.00** Non-League Football **10.30** The Football Archives (AD) **11.00** Rugby Union **1.30am** T20 Cricket **3.30** Poker **5.30–6.00am** BT Sport Reload

BT Sport 2

Sky 414 **Virgin** 528 **BT** 409 **HD** **BT** 431

7.00am LIVE Australian Football **9.00** Premier League **10.30** Classic Premier League (AD) **11.30** Mic'd Up **12 noon** Non-League Football **1.30pm** T20 Cricket **2.30** Australian Football **4.00** Italian Football **4.30 LIVE Italian Football** Juventus v Lazio, the Super Cup. **7.00** Non-League Football **7.30** Boxing **9.30** Mic'd Up **10.00 LIVE Basketball** TCU Horned Frogs v Xavier Musketeers. **12 midnight** UFC: Ortega v Korean Zombie **4.00** Saturdays in the South (AD) **5.30–6.00am** Boxing (AD)

BT Sport 3

Sky 417 **Virgin** 529 **BT** 410 **HD** **BT** 432

6.00am French Football **7.00** German Football **8.00** Rugby Union **10.00** Boxing **12 noon** French Football **2.00pm** What I Wore: Owen Hargreaves (AD) **2.15 LIVE German Football** Fortuna Düsseldorf v Union Berlin. **4.30** BT Sport Reload **4.45 LIVE German Football** Paderborn v Eintracht Frankfurt. **7.00** Europa League Magazine **8.00** Major League Baseball (AD) **9.00** UFC Now (AD) **10.00** German Football **12 midnight** Italian Football **1.30am** Non-League Football **3.00** Australian Football **4.30–6.00am** Italian Football

BT Sport ESPN

Sky 423 **Virgin** 530 **BT** 411 **HD** **BT** 434

6.00am American Football **5.00pm** ESPN Special: World Death Diving Championship **6.00** American Football **8.30** NCAA Championship **10.30 LIVE Basketball** Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets v Boise State Broncos (tip-off **10.30**). **12.30am** American Football **2.30 LIVE Basketball** Ball State Cardinals v Washington Huskies. **4.30** American Football **5.00–7.00am LIVE Basketball**

Eurosport 2

Sky 411 **Virgin** 522 **BT** 413 **HD** **BT** 436

7.30am Ski Jumping **8.30** Biathlon **9.00** Swimming: from Las Vegas **10.00 LIVE Cross-Country Skiing** **11.40** Triathlon **12.10pm** Alpine Skiing **12.50 LIVE Alpine Skiing** **2.00** Nordic Combined Skiing **2.45 LIVE Nordic Combined Skiing** **3.15** Cross-Country Skiing **4.30** Swimming **5.30** Snowboarding **6.30** Freestyle Skiing **8.30** Triathlon **9.00** Swimming **10.00** Biathlon **11.00** Alpine Skiing **12.45am** Freestyle Skiing **1.45** Snooker **2.00** Alpine Skiing **3.00** Motocross **5.00–7.00am** Australian Superbikes

MONDAY Choices
The pick of today's TV



PICK OF THE DAY

Hugh Grant: a Life on Screen
9.00pm ***BBC2***

DOCUMENTARY By his own admission, Hugh Grant made a lot of "strange, Euro-pudding [TV] series" after his big break in the 1987 Merchant-Ivory film *Maurice* and his even bigger break in *Four Weddings and a Funeral*. "I accepted everything, even if it was crap."

Grant is a brilliant, drily witty guide to his own life in this hour-long canter through his career. From his school days, when he was "badly behaved and pretentious" (he played Brigitta von Trapp in his all-boys' school production of *The Sound of Music*), to blockbusting stardom.

Richard Curtis says he didn't initially want to cast Grant as his bumbling *Four Weddings* hero Charles because Grant was "too posh and too handsome" and clearly would have no trouble getting girls, unlike the luckless Charles.

It's an excellent, funny hour that takes Grant's career right up to the sheer genius of *Paddington 2* and *A Very English Scandal*. **ALISON GRAHAM**

University Challenge
7.30pm ***BBC2***

QUIZ Ah, here it is again: the go-to quiz show for those formidable folk who, unlike the rest of us, just aren't content to spend their Christmas allowing their minds (and bodies) to atrophy into merry oblivion.

Today's edition – the first of ten specials, with the final on Friday 3 January – sees Leeds take on Clare College, Cambridge. Captaining Leeds is the Rev Richard Coles, while soprano Elin Manahan Thomas and novelist Marcel Theroux are among those representing Clare. It may be festive, but it's far from fluffy, as one team rather steamrollers the other. And even Jeremy Paxman gets in on the adversarial action when he asks Rev Coles, "Do you want to have a go, vicar?" **HANNAH SHADDOCK**

Still Open All Hours
8.30pm ***BBC1***

SITCOM He may have turned 80 in October, but veteran actor Geoffrey Whitehead certainly isn't slowing down over the festive season. As well as an appearance in *Not Going Out*, he's stealing the show here as lugubrious Mr Newbold who, when asked whether he's going to be alone at Christmas, replies, "If I can manage it."

But he, like seemingly every man of a certain age in Balby, is trying to escape the clutches of the amorous Mrs Featherstone. Can Granville help? He does have a new-found interest in magic. But I don't think it's too much of a spoiler to say that his efforts with a vanishing cabinet backfire, much to the studio audience's delight. **DAVID BROWN**

Gordon, Gino and Fred: Christmas Road Trip
9.00pm ***ITV***

ENTERTAINMENT Gordon Ramsay, Gino D'Acampo and Fred Sirieix are the antithesis of three wise men as they are let loose for a Christmas special of their irresistibly silly, rude and chaotic series. The hammed-up faux-drama goes thus: despite wanting to take Gordon and Fred to Jerusalem, Gino's cousin got a cheap deal on flights to Marrakesh. Cue the lads in Morocco, hopping onto camels as they trek across the Agafay desert, sampling local delicacies along the way.

The trio of ungulates (we mean the camels, of course...) are then swapped for the guys' beloved RV, which has had a festive makeover. **FRANCES TAYLOR**

Classic Christmas Comedy Moments
9.00pm ***Channel 5***

ENTERTAINMENT One of those unspectacular programmes that can easily solve a family viewing dilemma on a cosy pre-Christmas evening: it's not doing anything fancy, but once you start watching, you probably won't stop. Stephen Mangan hosts a clips show incorporating all the obvious examples of memorable festive moments from extremely successful series, such as *Morecambe and Wise*, *Mrs Brown's Boys*, *Goodness Gracious Me*, *The Good Life* and *The Office*.

In between are contributions from the likes of *RT's* Andrew Collins and a man better placed than just about anyone to comment, Barry Cryer. **JACK SEALE**

Children's Choices

The Christmas Letter

7.30pm ***Sky 1***

Fiona Shaw (*Killing Eve*), Catriona Balfe (*Outlander*) and narrator Kate Winslet lend their voices to this charming half-hour animation. Eight-year-old Henry is excited about sending a letter to Santa, but worried about his cranky old neighbour. But then he finds a way to spread a little Christmas cheer.

Toy Story 2

1.25pm ***BBC1***

With this year's astounding *Toy Story 4* fresh in the mind, let's rewind a bit to the simpler but just as hard-hitting first sequel, in which a torn-sleeved Woody discovers that some toys are replaceable, while others are sealed inside their original packaging by collectors. The gang sets out to rescue the stolen Woody from a dealer before he, cowgirl Jessie and Stinky Pete (voiced by Kelsey Grammer) are packed off to Japan.



Sid and Judy

9.00pm ***Sky Arts***

DOCUMENTARY Fifty years on from the death of Judy Garland at the age of 47, it's good to be reminded of her raw talent. Recent stage shows and this year's biopic with Renée Zellweger have made hay with the "tragedy" of her life – a focus that infuriates a friend of mine who, as a teenage girl, was at school with Liza Minnelli and knew Garland as a happy and very funny woman.

This doc angles on her third marriage – to Sidney Luft, arguably her most supportive husband, father of two of her children and producer of *A Star Is Born*, for which she was cruelly denied an Oscar. It promises rare concert footage and clips of Sid and Judy. **PATRICK MULKERN**

A Christmas Carol

9.05pm ***BBC1***

DRAMA Jacob Marley's ghost has a complaint. How is he supposed to redeem his old business partner, when "the only way to soften Scrooge's heart would be with a minceing knife and a cup of warm gravy, to make some sort of unpleasant pudding..."

He is grumbling to the Ghost of Christmas Past (formidably played by Andy Serkis), who must try to jolt Scrooge out of his curmudgeonly ways. That means taking him back to the personal hell of his childhood. Writer Steven Knight pushes the boundaries of Dickens's story into the bleak corners of Scrooge's psyche and Victorian life. It's powerful stuff but it isn't pretty. **DAVID BUTCHER**

See feature: page 21

Celebrity Crystal Maze

10.00pm ***C4***

ENTERTAINMENT It's that time of year again when *The Crystal Maze* releases its "very special" festive celebrity edition – "ie it's broadcast close to Christmas, and has slightly seasonal art direction," in the words of deadpan host Richard Ayoade. Just don't ask him about the Maze Grotto... Tackling the challenges in the hope of gaining crystals for the Crystal Dome are *Strictly's* Shirley Ballas, comedian Nish Kumar, former *Corrie* actress Catherine Tyldesley, ex-*Gogglebox*er Scarlett Moffatt and choirmaster Gareth Malone.

And it's Malone who ends up being the star turn of the episode, especially when a very familiar celebrity Santa gets him to sing his way through an extra challenge... **HUW FULLERTON**



SANTA'S SHARE
Robert (Henry Lewis) needs a little Dutch courage to go on

The Goes Wrong Show

7.30pm ***BBC1*** *(Scotland: Christmas Eve 12.25am)*

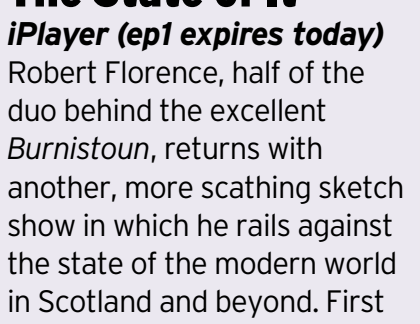
COMEDY ***New series*** Sleigh bells jingle. A Christmas stocking hangs on a mantelpiece over a blazing hearth. And then... the stocking falls into the flames and has to be loudly extinguished by a stage hand.

Yes, the Cornley Drama Society, stars of *The Play That Goes Wrong* and other ill-fated farces, are back for a BBC1 series, kicking off with a touching festive fable about a girl whose family has lost the Christmas love.

Naturally, when Father Christmas – played by a grouchy old ham – arrives to put things right, he and his elves get jammed in the chimney until the scenery caves in, the first of many artfully contrived cock-ups. As the mishaps keep coming, the actors start to droop – apart from Santa himself, who tucks into the Christmas spirit via a party drinks dispenser. It's all sillier than marzipan trousers, but childishly fun. **DAVID BUTCHER**

DISCOVER TV PICKS

The best of streaming and catch-up



Mr Robot

Amazon Prime

The final season of this intermittently brilliant US drama has recaptured what's often made it great, harnessing innovative storytelling to deliver a dark twist in almost every episode. We're travelling deeper into the psyche of disturbed computer hacker Elliott (the sensational Rami Malek) as the denouement approaches.

The State of It

iPlayer (ep1 expires today)

Robert Florence, half of the duo behind the excellent *Burnistoun*, returns with another, more scathing sketch show in which he rails against the state of the modern world in Scotland and beyond. First in the firing line is our obsession with technology. **JS**

BEST LIVE SPORT



■ **Championship Football: Blackburn v Wigan** *7.30pm (kick-off 7.45pm)* ***Sky Football*** Blackburn ace Stewart Downing.

■ **Darts: World Championship, day 11** *12.30pm, 7pm* ***Sky Darts/ Main Event*** The third round continues at Ally Pally.

■ **NFL: Minnesota Vikings v Green Bay Packers** *1am (k/o 1.15am)* ***Sky Action/Main Event*** The NFC North rivals duke it out.

FILM OF THE DAY

White Christmas

1.35pm ***C4***

Evergreen Hollywood musical as Bing Crosby and Danny Kaye put on a show for an old army buddy. **See page 73**

ALLSTAR/DISNEY; GETTY

MONDAY Main Channels

DAYTIME

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast Presented by Jon Kay and Louise Minchin. Carol Kirkwood presents the weather from Blenheim Palace, with carols from a choir. (S) (HD)

9.00 The Croods ★★★ Animated comedy adventure. with the voices of Emma Stone, Ryan Reynolds and Nicolas Cage. A prehistoric family is made homeless. Directors Chris Sanders and Kirk De Micco (2013, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

10.30 Kung Fu Panda ★★★ Animated adventure. Po the Panda dreams of becoming a kung fu master despite the fact he is clumsy, overweight and a complete beginner at martial arts. Directors Mark Osborne and John Stevenson (2008, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.50 Donkey's Caroling Christmas-tacular Animated short featuring the *Shrek* character Donkey. (R) (S) (HD)

12 noon A Berry Royal Christmas Mary Berry cooks a feast for charity workers. Shown Mon 16 December (S) (AD) (HD)

1.00pm BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

1.25 Toy Story 2 ★★★★★ Animated comedy adventure. When his young owner, Andy, goes off to summer camp, Woody is stolen by a toy collector. **Review p73; Children's choice, p121.** Directors John Lasseter, Lee Unkrich and Ash Brannon (1999, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

2.55 Brave ★★★★ Animated fairy tale from Pixar. Merida, a feisty Scottish princess, flees the court after her parents insist she should settle down and get married. **Review page 73.** Directors Mark Andrews and Brenda Chapman (2012, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

4.20–4.45 Wallace & Gromit: A Grand Day Out The pair take a trip to the Moon. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

BBC2

5.55–6.55am Sign Zone Mountain Vets *3/6* *Series 3* Aidan heads out to see Limousin bull Navarn. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

6.55 This Farming Life Cold weather hits. (R) (S) (HD)

7.55 Equestrianism The Olympia International Horse Show. Repeated 6pm on the red button (S) (HD)

8.55 Charlton Heston: Talking Pictures Profile. (R) (S)

9.35 The Greatest Story Ever Told ★★★ Biblical drama starring Max von Sydow. Destined to become the Messiah, Jesus is hailed as "King of the Jews". Director George Stevens (1965, U) (S) (W) (HD)

12.40pm Flog It! From Watts Gallery, Surrey. (R) (S) (HD)

1.25 Sean Connery: Talking Pictures Profile. (R) (S)

2.15–4.00 Entrapment ★★ Romantic thriller starring Sean Connery and Catherine Zeta-Jones. A priceless Rembrandt painting is stolen. Director Jon Amiel (1999, 12) (S) (W) (HD)

ITV

6.00am Good Morning Britain (S) (HD)

8.30 Lorraine Fashion and showbiz news. (S) (HD)

9.25 Midsomer Murders Hidden Depths. Was a solicitor's fall from a roof suicide or murder? (R) (S) (AD) Followed by **Regional Weather**

11.25 The Mummy Returns ★★★ Adventure sequel starring Brendan Fraser and Rachel Weisz. The son of Rick O'Connell finds an ancient bracelet. Director Stephen Sommers (2001, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.45pm ITV News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

2.15–4.15 The Santa Clause ★★★ Fantasy with Tim Allen. Divorced father Scott Calvin steps into Santa's shoes. Director John Pasquin (1994, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD) Followed by **Regional Weather**

Channel 4

6.00am Moomins on the Riviera ★★★ Animated comedy with the voice of Russell Tovey. Directors Xavier Picard, Hanna Hemila (2014, U) (S) (W) (HD)

7.20 The Rugrats Movie ★★★ Animated comedy adventure based on the television series. Directors Norton Virgien and Igor Kovalyov (1998, U) (S) (W) (HD)

8.50 The Big Bang Theory Triple bill. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

10.10 The King of Queens Two episodes. (R) (S) (AD)

11.05 Everybody Loves Raymond Double bill. (R) (S) (AD)

12.05pm Frasier The Crane brothers argue. (R) (S) (AD)

12.35 Celebrity Lego Masters at Christmas Rob Beckett and Joel Dommett compete. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

1.35–4.00 White Christmas ★★★★★ Musical starring Bing Crosby and Danny Kaye. Old army buddies Phil Davis and Bob Wallace travel with the glamorous Haynes sisters to the Columbia Inn in Vermont. **Film of the Day: page 73.** Director Michael Curtiz (1954, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD) Also showing Christmas Eve 5.40pm More4

BBC1



Still Open All Hours *8.30pm* Tricks of the tradesman: Granville tries out some magic

4.45pm Billionaire Boy

Adaptation of David Walliams's book. Len Spud and his son Joe become rich when Len invents a new toilet roll.

Len	**John Thomson**	Miss Sharp	**Rebecca Front**
Joe Spud	**Elliot Sprakes**	Mr Darrow	**James Fleet**
Sapphire Diamond	**Catherine Tate**	Warwick Davis	**Himself**
Mrs Trafe	**David Walliams**	Bryn Terfel	**Himself**

Writers Kevin Cecil, David Walliams; Director Matt Lipsey; Producer Joanna Hanley Repeated Thursday 2 January 6.25pm CBBC (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

5.45 Pointless

Quiz hosted by Alexander Armstrong. (R) (S) (HD)

6.30 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

7.00 A Question of Sport

Rebecca Adlington, James Toseland, Darren Bent and Amy Williams guest on a festive edition of the quiz. Producer Dave Gymer; Executive producer Gareth JM Edwards (S) (HD) *A Question of Sport at 50* is Friday 27 December 8.30pm

7.30 The Goes Wrong Show

RT ***New series. 1/6.*** **The Spirit of Christmas.** In this tale, the Cornley Drama Society presents the story of Santa and his elves trying to bring festive happiness to a sad little girl. Another episode Friday 3 January 8.30pm. **See page 121.**

Vanessa/Belle	**Bryony Corrigan**	Jonathan/Nostle	**Greg Tannahill**
Max/Lawrence	**Dave Hearn**	Annie/Maude	**Nancy Zamit**
Trevor	**Chris Leask**	Singer	**Tommy Blaize**
Robert/Santa	**Henry Lewis**	Danielle	**Ava Clancy**
Sandra/Nistle	**Charlie Russell**	Grace	**Lila Newby**
Dennis/Rudolph	**Jonathan Sayer**	Bobby	**Will Oldfield**
Chris/Mr Snowman	**Henry Shields**	Kevin	**Silas Zaw**

Writers Henry Shields, Jonathan Sayer and Henry Lewis Producer Jim Poyser; Director Martin Dennis (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 EastEnders

Linda promises to cut back drinking in the new year. Writer Lauren Klee Cast pp170/240 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.30 Still Open All Hours

RT ***7/7*** *Series 6.* Granville plans to put the magic back into Christmas but people keep disappearing. Mr Newbold mixes up his gifts. **See p120.**

Granville	**David Jason**	Mrs Rossi	**Sue Holderness**
Leroy	**James Baxter**	Kath	**Sally Lindsay**
Mrs Featherstone	**Stephanie Cole**	Mavis	**Maggie Ollerenshaw**
Eric	**Johnny Vegas**	Jasmine	**Archie Panjabi**
Madge	**Brigit Forsyth**	Beth	**Katie Redford**
Cyril	**Kulvinder Ghir**	Willis	**Dean Smith**
Gastric	**Tim Healy**	Ruby	**Sophie Willan**
Mr Newbold	**Geoffrey Whitehead**		

Writer Roy Clarke; Director Dewi Humphreys Producer Sarah Hitchcock (S) (AD) (HD)

9.05 A Christmas Carol

RT ***2/3.*** Scrooge meets the Spirit of Christmas Past, who takes Ebenezer on a journey exposing his darkest childhood memories, his cut-throat business manner and his isolation. Continues tomorrow 9pm. **See page 121.** For cast see page 112. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

10.35 King Gary

Sitcom starring Tom Davis and Laura Checkley. Writers James De Frond and Tom Davis; Director James De Frond; Producer Rupert Majendie (R) (S) (HD)

11.05 The Best of Famalam

Highlights from the comedy sketch show. Director Tom Marshall; Producer Akemnji Ndifornyen (S) (HD)

11.35 Have I Got a Bit More News for You

10/10. Charlie Brooker hosts an extended edition of last Friday's show, with Emma Barnett and Phil Wang. Director Paul Wheeler; Producer Mike Rayment (Revised rpt) (S) (HD)

12.20am The Graham Norton Show With guests Ruth Jones, Rob Brydon, John Boyega, Daisy Ridley, Henry Cavill and Robbie Williams. Shown last Friday (S) (HD)
1.10 Michael McIntyre's Big Show Robbie Williams guests. **See choice, page 100.** Shown Saturday 8.10/8.15pm (S) (HD)
2.15 Weather (S) (HD) **2.20–6.00am BBC News** (S) (HD)

BBC1 **Freeview** 1 **Freesat** 101 **Sky** 101 **Virgin** 101
HD **Freeview** 101 **Freesat** 106 **Sky** 115 **Virgin** 108

BBC2



Hugh Grant: a Life on Screen *900pm* A very English actor: the leading man reveals more

4.00pm Florida: America's Animal Paradise

A *Natural World* film exploring the wetland region of Florida, where baby alligators learn their hunting skills. Producer Rowan Crawford; Series producer Holly Spearing (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

5.00 Amazing Hotels

The Kulm Hotel in St Moritz, which was the birthplace of winter tourism over 150 years ago. Exec producers Rebecca Templar and Samantha Anstiss (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00 Winter's Weirdest Events

Chris Packham learns about bizarre events of the season, including seemingly suicidal penguins. Series producer Aaron Paul; Exec producer Jo Shinner (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

6.30 Inside the Christmas Factory

Gregg Wallace visits a factory that produces two million tins of festive chocolates each year. Directors Michael Rees and Sam Bailey Producers Phillip Smith and Sam Bailey (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

7.30 Christmas University Challenge

RT ***New series. 1/10*** *Series 9.* Leeds University take on Clare College, Cambridge. The Leeds team includes the Rev Richard Coles and *Human Planet* photographer Tim Allen, while novelist Marcel Theroux and soprano Elin Manahan Thomas battle on behalf of their alma mater. **See page 120.** Director Tracey Rooney; Series producer Irene Daniels (S) (HD)

8.00 MasterChef: the Professionals Rematch 2019

Gregg Wallace, Monica Galetti and Marcus Wareing catch up with five of the competition's most successful past contestants whose careers have been transformed since taking part – before inviting them back to the kitchen for one last battle to impress. Director Anthony Crumpton; Series producer Rachel Palin Repeated New Year's Day 7pm (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Hugh Grant: a Life on Screen

RT From his early days in a comedy troupe, to his breakthrough role in *Four Weddings and a Funeral*, Hugh Grant has become one of Britain's biggest film stars. This profile features an interview with the actor himself and hears from co-stars Andie MacDowell, Sandra Bullock, Colin Firth and Nicholas Hoult, as well as screenwriter Richard Curtis. **See page 120.** Director/Producer Samantha Peters Repeated Boxing Day 10pm (S) (HD)

10.00 Live at the Apollo

7/7. Sara Pascoe hosts and introduces Chris McCausland and musical comedy sisters Flo and Joan. Director Paul Wheeler; Series producer Anthony Caveney Shown last Tuesday (Revised rpt) (S) (HD)

10.45 The Lady in the Van ★★★

Comedy drama. London, 1970: when writer Alan Bennett grudgingly allows eccentric bag lady Miss Mary Shepherd to park her van (and home) in the driveway of his house, little does he know that the arrangement will last for 15 years. **Review p73.**

Miss Mary Shepherd	**Maggie Smith**	Theatre actor	**Dominic Cooper**
Alan Bennett	**Alex Jennings**	Street trader	**James Corden**
Underwood	**Jim Broadbent**	Doctor	**Stephen Campbell Moore**
Mrs Vaughan Williams	**Frances de la Tour**	Lois, social worker	**Claire Foy**
Rufus	**Roger Allam**	Jehovah's Witness	**Samuel Anderson**

Director Nicholas Hytner (2015, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.25am The Manchurian Candidate ★★★★★ Psychological thriller starring Frank Sinatra and Laurence Harvey. Raymond Shaw returns from the Korean War a hero, but his fellow soldiers' memories of his bravery seem vague. When the commander of his platoon begins to suffer from inexplicable nightmares, an investigation begins into exactly what happened during the conflict. Director John Frankenheimer (1962, 15) (BW) (S) (W) (HD)
2.30–4.25am Sign Zone 2.30 The Apprentice *7/14.* The candidates create advertising campaigns for Finland. (R) (S) (HD)
3.30 Countryfile Matt Baker joins schoolchildren on their first visit to a farm. Shown yesterday 8.05am (S) (HD)

BBC2 **Freeview** 2 **Freesat** 102 **Sky** 102 **Virgin** 102
HD **Network** **Freeview** 102 **Freesat** 102 **Sky** 102 **Virgin** 102

ITV



Gordon, Gino and Fred: Christmas Road Trip – 3 Unwise Men *9.00pm* The trio sample Morocco

4.15pm Catchphrase
Stephen Mulhern hosts the game show. (R) (S) (HD)

5.00 The Chase Celebrity Special
With Sarah-Jane Crawford, Ade Edmondson, Anton Du Beke and Alistair McGowan.
Executive producers Michael Kelpie, Martin Scott and Helen Tumbridge (R) (S) (HD)

6.00 Regional News Weather (S) (HD)

6.30 ITV Evening News Weather (S) (HD)

7.00 Emmerdale
Leyla's hopes are raised and Rhona feels guilty.
Writer Linton Chiswick Cast pages 231/241
Repeated tomorrow 8am and 12.35pm ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

7.30 Coronation Street
Nick and Sarah unveil the refurbished factory.

Nick Tilsley	**Ben Price**	Izzy Armstrong	**Cherylee Houston**
Sarah Platt	**Tina O'Brien**	Kirk Sutherland	**Andrew Whyment**
Maria Connor	**Samia Longchambon**	Eileen Grimshaw	**Sue Cleaver**
Gary Windass	**Mikey North**	Derek Milligan	**Craige Els**
Ali Neeson	**James Burrows**	Chesney Brown	**Sam Aston**
Rita Tanner	**Barbara Knox**	Dev Alahan	**Jimmi Harkishin**
Tyrone Dobbs	**Alan Halsall**	Gemma Winter	**Dolly-Rose Campbell**
Ruby Dobbs	**Macy Alabi**	Alina Pop	**Ruxandra Porojnicu**
Hope Stape	**Isabella Flanagan**	Amy Barlow	**Elle Mulvaney**
Fiz Stape	**Jennie McAlpine**	Emma Brooker	**Alexandra Mardell**
Jade Rowan	**Lottie Henshall**	Seb Franklin	**Harry Visinoni**
Evelyn Plummer	**Maureen Lipman**	Tracy McDonald	**Kate Ford**
Paul Foreman	**Peter Ash**	Liz McDonald	**Beverley Callard**
Billy Mayhew	**Daniel Brocklebank**	Steve McDonald	**Simon Gregson**
Sally Metcalfe	**Sally Dynevor**	Max Turner	**Harry McDermott**
Sean Tully	**Anthony Cotton**	Mary Cole	**Patti Clare**

Writer Mark Wadlow More cast page 201
Repeated tomorrow 8.30am and 1.05pm ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Countrywise: Guide to Britain
Liz Bonnin is in the Delamere Forest in Cheshire to find out about seasonal culinary ingredients.
Series producer Ruth Binsley (R) (S) (HD)

8.30 Coronation Street
Gary lies to Maria about Derek.
Writer Joe Turner Rptd tomorrow 9am and 1.35pm ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Gordon, Gino and Fred: Christmas Road Trip – 3 Unwise Men
RT Messrs Ramsay, D'Acampo and Sirieix are reconvening after their European travels to rediscover the spirit of Christmas, but much to Gordon and Fred's reluctance, Gino's taking them to Morocco, land of tagine, saffron – and camels. The trio set off to discover the country's cuisine and culture, travelling from the desert to the mountains, ending up deep inside the ancient medina at Marrakesh. **See page 120.**
Producer/Director Bella Lloyd; Series producer Emma Taylor
Repeated Christmas Day 10.20pm (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 ITV News at Ten
Weather; Regional News and Weather (S) (HD)

10.45 Gremlins ★★★★
Black comedy horror. A young boy is given a cute little animal called a mogwai, with three rules. Accidentally, the rules are broken and all hell breaks loose. **Review page 73.**

Billy Peltzer	**Zach Galligan**	Grandfather	**Keye Luke**
Kate	**Phoebe Cates**	Chinese boy	**John Louie**
Rand Peltzer	**Hoyt Axton**	Mr Futterman	**Dick Miller**
Lynn Peltzer	**Frances Lee McCain**	Mrs Futterman	**Jackie Joseph**
Mrs Deagle	**Polly Holliday**	Sheriff Frank	**Scott Brady**

Director Joe Dante (1984, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.45am All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite Explosive action from the ring. Shown last Friday ITV4 (S) (HD)
1.30 Home Shopping
3.00 Nightscreen Text information. (HD)
5.05–6.00am How to Spend It Well at Christmas with Phillip Schofield ***3/3*** *Series 3.* The best deals on food and drink. Shown last Tuesday (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)

ITV Freeview 3 Freesat 103 Sky 103 Virgin 103
+1 F'view 33 F'sat 112 Sky 203 Virgin 114 HD F'view 103 F'sat 111 Sky 103 Virgin 113

Channel 4



Celebrity Crystal Maze *10.00pm* Nish, Scarlett, Catherine, Shirley and Gareth enter the labyrinth

4.00pm A Place in the Sun
A retired civil servant seeks a home in Poitou-Charentes, France, with a budget of £110,000.
Director/Producer Justine Ostrowska (R) (S) (HD)

5.00 The Simpsons
She of Little Faith. Lisa converts to Buddhism when Mr Burns takes over the church. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
5.25 Simpsons Roasting on an Open Fire Homer becomes a department store Santa. (R) (S) (AD)

6.00 Hollyoaks
Tensions are high at Darren and Mandy's.
Writer James Coleman This fortnight's episodes directed by Ian Curtis and Miguel Guerreiro Cast pages 171/241 Shown last Friday E4 Repeated Friday 27 December 6.30am E4
Next episode follows on E4 (S) (AD) (HD)

6.55 Channel 4 News; Sport; Weather (S) (HD)

7.00 The Secret World of Toys at Christmas
Finding out how the huge demand for toys at Christmas is met. Including a visit to the Crayola factory in Pennsylvania, where the story of the world's largest children's art supplier is explored.
Director/Producer Robin Leach Repeated 11.05pm 4seven and Friday 27 December 2.10pm C4 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Gogglesprogs at Christmas
The young TV critics are back, giving their opinions on the highlights of the year, from *Flirty Dancing* to coverage of the Extinction Rebellion, and the Christmas movie *Elf*.
Repeated Boxing Day 8pm 4seven and Friday 27 December 7pm Channel 4 (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Eight out of Ten Cats Does Countdown Christmas Special
Sean Lock and Bob Mortimer take on Jon Richardson and Lucy Beaumont. Adam Buxton and Joe Wilkinson also guest. Jimmy Carr hosts.
Director Barbara Wiltshire; Series producer Jodie Krstic Repeated tomorrow 10.55pm C4 and Christmas Day 12 midnight 4seven (S) (HD)

10.00 Celebrity Crystal Maze
RT Catherine Tyldesley captains an all-star line-up featuring Shirley Ballas, Gareth Malone, Scarlett Moffatt and Nish Kumar as lord of the labyrinth Richard Ayoade refuses to enter into the festive spirit. Richard Wilson guests. **See p121.**
Series producers Neale Simpson and Chris Lore Rptd Christmas Eve 11.10pm 4seven and Friday 27 December 8pm C4 (S) (AD) (HD)

11.00 The Inbetweeners 2 ★★★
Comedy sequel based on the television series. When old friend Jay describes Australia as "the sex capital of the world", Neil, Will and Simon can't wait to pay him a visit and sample the delights down under for themselves.

Will McKenzie	**Simon Bird**	Katie	**Emily Berrington**
Jay Cartwright	**James Buckley**	Polly McKenzie	
Simon Cooper	**Joe Thomas**		**Belinda Stewart-Wilson**
Neil Sutherland	**Blake Harrison**	Lucy	**Tamla Kari**

Directors Damon Beesley and Iain Morris (2014, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.50am Ashby ★★★ Comedy drama starring Mickey Rourke and Nat Wolff. Nerdy and put-upon student Ed Wallis takes on a school project to write about his ageing neighbour Ashby, who only has a short time to live. But Ashby has quite a past and he teaches Ed a few things about life and how to stand up to the world.
Director Tony McNamara (2015, 15) (S) (W) (HD)
2.35 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA The chef visits a Japanese restaurant in California. (R) (S)
3.25 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces A double-decker bus is turned into a mobile home. (R) (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)
4.20 Extreme Cake Makers Michelle creates a dragon cake for a 50th birthday. (R) (S) (HD)
4.45 Countdown Tim Vine guests. (R) (S) (HD)
5.25–6.20am Kirstie's Handmade Christmas Kirstie meets a jeweller who captures nature in resin. (R) (S) (HD)

Channel 4 Freeview 4 Freesat 104 Sky 104 Virgin 104
+1 F'view 15 F'sat 121 Sky 204 Virgin 142 HD F'view 104 Sky 138 Virgin 141

BBC4



What We Were Watching *8.00pm* Geoffrey Palmer and Wendy Craig had *Butterflies* in 1979

7.00pm Top of the Pops: the Story of 1979
A look back at a heady year for the chart show, which recorded its highest audience of 19 million viewers, as physical format singles peaked at four times that number. Among the featured artists are Gary Numan, Nile Rodgers, Jah Wobble and Woody from Madness.
Director/Producer Matt O'Casey (R) (S)

8.00 What We Were Watching: Christmas 1979
Grace Dent immerses herself in the sights, sounds and schedules of 40 years ago, seeing if she can beat the year's *Mastermind* grand finalist and taking on *The Generation Game*'s conveyor belt test. It's perhaps a surprise to find that the festive fortnight's top shows had women winning when it came to seasonal goodwill – Penelope Keith and Wendy Craig led the way in sitcoms and dog trainer Barbara Woodhouse had everyone on their best behaviour.
Producer Simon Catt; Series producer Simon Goretzki
Signed repeat Christmas Day 2.40am (S) (HD)

9.00 Mark Kermode's Christmas Cinema Secrets
Film critic Mark Kermode celebrates the Christmas movie, from much-loved classics to hidden gems. He reveals the film-making techniques and storytelling secrets that make them so successful and explains just how adaptable the genre is. Fantasy, action, family drama or horror, the Christmas movie can embrace them all, but the great ones transcend their seasonal setting.
Producer Nick Freand Jones
Executive producer John Das (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 Queen: Rock the World
By 1977 punk was at its height, and while rockers Queen had become a major headlining act in the UK they faced hostile reviews from the music press. Undeterred, Freddie Mercury, Brian May, Roger Taylor and John Deacon went on to record their sixth album. Lovingly restored archive footage reveals that, far from being the expected production extravaganza, *News of the World* showcased the musicians at their most raw, simple and best.
Director Christopher Bird
Producers Simon Lupton and Jim Beach (R) (S) (HD)

11.00 Queen: the Legendary 1975 Concert
Bob Harris introduces the rock band's concert at London's Hammersmith Odeon on Christmas Eve 1975, featuring *Liar*, *Keep Yourself Alive*, *Now I'm Here* and *Bohemian Rhapsody*.
Exec producers Jon Mansfield and Mark Hagen (R) (S)

12.05am Kate Bush at the BBC A montage of performances from 1978 to 1994, including *Wuthering Heights* and *Babooshka*. (R) (S)
12.50 All Aboard! The Sleigh Ride A trip across the wilderness of Norway. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
2.50–3.50am Charles I: Killing a King ***3/3.*** The king faces the executioner's block and the country becomes a republic.
Shown last Thursday (S) (SL)

BBC4 Freeview 9 Freesat 107/173 Sky 116 Virgin 107
HD Freeview 106 Freesat 107 Virgin 107

Regional variations

BBC1 SCOTLAND
7.00–7.30pm Five Wishes **10.35** A Question of Sport **11.05** King Gary **11.35** The Best of Famalam **12.05am** Have I Got a Bit More News for You **12.50** The Graham Norton Show **1.40** Michael McIntyre's Big Show **2.45** Weather for the Week Ahead **2.50–6.00** BBC News

BBC SCOTLAND
As BBC2 until:
12.45pm Flour Power **1.15–2.15** Born to Be Wild **6.00** Inside the Christmas Factory **7.00** Rugby Union **8.00** Wild Shetland: Scotland's Viking Frontier **9.00** The Nine **10.00** River City **11.00** Breaking the News **11.30–12 midnight** The State of It

STV
12.45am River Monsters: the story of the RMS *Laconia* **1.10** Nightscreen **5.05–6.00** How to Spend It Well at Christmas with Phillip Schofield

BBC1 WALES
10.35pm Elis James: Funny Nation **11.05** Geraint Thomas: the Road Will Decide **12.05am** King Gary **12.35–1.10** The Best of Famalam

BBC2 WALES
10.00pm The Prince and the Bomber **11.00** Rugby Union **12.00–12.25am** Grand Tours of Scotland

ITV WALES
8.00–8.30pm Coast and Country: highlights

BBC1 NORTHERN IRELAND
10.35pm Roy Walker: beyond a Joke **11.35** King Gary **12.10am** The Best of Famalam **12.40** Have I Got a Bit More News for You **1.25–2.15** The Graham Norton Show

BBC2 NORTHERN IRELAND
10.00pm Cuideachta na gCártaí **10.30** Rugby Union Pro 14 Highlights **11.30** Live at the Apollo **12.15–12.25** Waterworld

Channel 5 listings are overleaf

RT RT Choice Family Red button (R) Repeat (S) Subtitles (SL) Signing (AD) Audio description (HD) High def FILMS P Premiere (W) Widescreen (BW) Black/white ★★★★★ Outstanding ★★★★ Very good ★★★ Worth watching ★★ Could be worse ★ Poor

MONDAY Freeview

Channel 5 5



The Time of Their Lives *4.10pm* Helen and Priscilla travel to France

Freeview 5 **Freesat** 105 **Sky** 105 **Virgin** 105
HD **Freeview** 105 **Freesat** 105 **Virgin** 150

6.00am Milkshake! See page 127

9.30 Cruising with Jane McDonald The singer's Alaskan trip highlights. (S) (HD)

9.50 Friends *Series 9.* Phoebe fails to impress her boyfriend's parents.

10.20 Rachel's sister visits for Thanksgiving.

10.50 Chandler visits Monica. (S) (HD)

11.20 ***New.*** **Neighbours** Rptd 6.05pm (S) (AD) (HD)

11.50 From Time to Time ★★★ Fantasy with Maggie Smith and Timothy Spall. A boy visits his grandmother's country house, where he meets quirky characters – both living and dead. **Review page 73.**
Director Julian Fellowes (2009, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

1.55pm Mrs Caldicot's Cabbage War ★★ Comedy starring Pauline Collins as a widow who decides to rebel against the repressive regime in a suburban rest home.
Director Ian Sharp (2000, 12) (S) (W) (HD)

4.10pm The Time of Their Lives ★★ **P** Road movie. A former movie star breaks free from her retirement home to attend the funeral of an old lover in the South of France. **Review page 73.**

Helen	**Joan Collins**
Priscilla	**Pauline Collins**
Alberto	**Franco Nero**
Frank	**Ronald Pickup**
Sarah	**Sian Reeves**

Director Roger Goldby (2017, 12) (S) (W) (HD)

6.05 Neighbours Paul regrets striking a deal with Robert. Shown 11.20am (S) (AD) (HD)

6.30 ***New.*** **Pets Do the Funniest Things** Footage showing the yuletide antics of our beloved animal friends. (S) (HD)

7.00 Tommy Cooper: in His Own Words An affectionate profile of the fez-wearing magician, whose bungled illusions had people rolling in the aisles.
Series producer Malcolm Donkin
Executive producer Will Smith (S) (HD)

Followed by **5 News Update** (S) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **Classic Christmas Comedy Moments** **RT** Stephen Mangan presents clips from seasonal favourites such as *The Morecambe & Wise Show*, *Mrs Brown's Boys*, *Absolutely Fabulous* and *The Office*. **See page 120.**
Repeated Christmas Day 10.55pm (S) (HD)

10.30 Steptoe and Son Ride Again ★★ Comedy with Wilfrid Brambell and Harry H Corbett. When Steptoe and Son put their carthorse into retirement, Harold's mission to buy a replacement has an unintended outcome.
Director Peter Sykes (1973, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

12.20am ***New.*** Rugby Union (S) (HD) **1.20** ***New.*** Casino (S) (HD) **3.20 FILM** Free Birds ★★ Animated comedy adventure (2013, U) (S) (W) (HD) **4.50** NCIS: New Orleans (S) (AD) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** House Doctor (S) (SL)

+1 **Freeview** 44 **Freesat** 128 **Sky** 205 **Virgin** 155

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BBC4 listings are overleaf

ITV2 6



The Secret Life of Pets *6.15pm* Chloe Max and Mel are forced into action

F'view 6 **F'sat** 113 **Sky** 118 **Virgin** 115 **HD** **Virgin** 176

6.00am The Planet's Funniest Animals (S) **6.20** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **7.10** You've Been Framed! Gold (S) **8.00** Emmerdale Shown last Friday ITV (S) (AD) (HD) **8.20** Coronation Street Shown last Friday ITV (S) (AD) (HD) **9.25** You've Been Framed Gold at Christmas! (S) **10.25 FILM** SPYkids ★★★★ (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.15pm Emmerdale Shown last Fri ITV (S) (AD) (HD) **12.50** Coronation Street Shown last Fri ITV (S) (AD) (HD) **1.50** ***New.*** The Ellen DeGeneres Show: with Adam Sandler and Billy Crudup (S) (HD) **2.45** You've Been Framed Gold at Christmas! Harry's Naughty List (S) **3.10** Celebrity Catchphrase (S) (HD) **4.10 FILM** The Grinch ★★★★ **Review p75** (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

6.15pm The Secret Life of Pets ★★★ Animated comedy adventure with the voice of Louis CK. Pampered pooch Max is forced into drastic action when his owner brings home a rescue mongrel.
Directors Chris Renaud and Yarrow Cheney (2016, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

8.00 Rogue One ★★★★ Sci-fi adventure. Years after scientist Galen Erso was forced to design the Death Star, his daughter Jyn leads a band of rebels on a mission to steal the blueprints and prevent further evil. **Review page 86.**

Jyn Erso	**Felicity Jones**
Captain Cassian Andor	**Diego Luna**
Director Orson Krennic	**Ben Mendelsohn**
Chirrut Imwe	**Donnie Yen**
Galen Erso	**Mads Mikkelsen**

Director Gareth Edwards (2016, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

10.45 Family Guy *Series 15.* Peter fills in for a mall Santa.

11.15 Behind the scenes of the cartoon.

11.40 Taylor Swift agrees to go to the homecoming dance with Chris. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.10am American Dad! (S) (AD) (HD) **1.05** Celebrity Juice (S) (HD) **2.10 FILM** The Five-Year Engagement ★★★★ Romantic comedy (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **4.20** The Boxer and The Ballroom Dancer (S) (AD) (HD) **5.10** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **5.50–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITV2+1 **Freeview** 27 **Freesat** 114 **Sky** 218 **Virgin** 116

ITV4 24

F'view 24 **F'sat** 117 **Sky** 120 **Virgin** 118 **HD** **Virgin** 178

6.00am World of Sport: Petrol Heads (S) (HD) **6.15** The Protectors (S) **6.40** The Saint (S) **7.30** Columbo: Undercover (S) (SL) (HD) **9.20** Minder (S) (AD) **10.25** The Sweeney (S) **11.35** The Professionals (S) (AD)

12.35pm The Saint (S) **1.40** Kojak (S) (HD) **2.45** Quincy (S) (HD) **3.50** Minder (S) (AD) **4.55** The Professionals (S) (AD)

6.00pm The Sweeney ***13/13*** *Series 1* Regan's daughter is kidnapped. (S)

7.00 The Chase: Celebrity Special With Steve Pemberton, Paula Lane, Ben Miller and Matthew Burton. (S) (HD)

8.05 FILM Jaws the Revenge ★ Action adventure starring Lorraine Gary and featuring Michael Caine. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

10.00 FILM Lethal Weapon 3 ★★★ Action comedy thriller starring Mel Gibson, Danny Glover and Joe Pesci. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.20am The Professionals: Bodie and Doyle infiltrate a murderous organisation (S) (AD)

1.25 Football Genius: double bill (S) (HD) **2.20** Bad Move (S) (AD) (HD) **3.10** The Americans (S) (HD) **4.00** Nightscreen (HD) **4.20** Minder (S) (SL) (AD) **5.10–6.00am** The Sweeney (S) (SL)

ITV4 +1 **Freesat** 154 **Sky** 220 **Virgin** 175

ITV3 10



Inspector Morse *11.05am* Morse and Lewis discover some unpleasant truths

F'view 10 **F'sat** 115 **Sky** 119 **Virgin** 117 **HD** **Virgin** 177

6.00am Classic Coronation Street: double bill. Ken admits he told Deirdre about the baby, then Liz blames Jim for Steve leaving home (S) **6.55** Classic Emmerdale: double bill. Seth recognises a piece of village history, then Zoe begins to feel overlooked (S) **7.55** Heartbeat (S) (AD) **9.00** Peter & Wendy (S) (AD) (HD) **11.05** Inspector Morse: double bill. A schoolgirl goes missing; **1.25pm** A crime of passion intrigues Morse (S) (HD)

3.40pm Agatha Christie's Marple: the sleuth helps an old friend find refuge (S) (AD) (HD)

5.40pm Agatha Christie's Poirot Death in the Clouds. A passenger is murdered on Poirot's flight from Paris, leaving few clues to the killer's identity – until the victim's illegitimate daughter comes forward to claim the inheritance. (S) (HD)

8.00 Vera ***4/4*** *Series 4.* **Death of a Family Man** DCI Vera Stanhope investigates the mysterious death of businessman John Shearwood, who was discovered floating in the water under the Gateshead Millennium Bridge when he was supposed to be on a golfing trip to Ireland. Guest-starring Robert Glenister. (S) (AD) (HD)

DCI Vera Stanhope	**Brenda Blethyn**
DS Joe Ashworth	**David Leon**
DC Kenny Lockhart	**Jon Morrison**
DC Rebecca Shepherd	**Clare Calbraith**
Celine Ashworth	**Sonya Cassidy**
Owen Preece	**Robert Glenister**
Stella Shearwood	**Maibritt Saerens**
Mark Donovan	**Tim Dantay**

10.00 ***1/4*** *Series 5.* **Changing Tides** The detective investigates a fire that rips through a holiday park on the Northumberland coast, destroying three cabins. A young woman's body is discovered and the resort's owner, Jim Viner, fears the victim is his sister Deena when he returns from a weekend away. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.05am A Touch of Frost (S) (HD) **2.10** Inspector Morse: two episodes (S) (SL) (HD) **5.50–6.00am** Nightscreen

+1 **F'view** 34 *(9pm–midnight)* **F'sat** 116 **Sky** 219 **Virgin** 174

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F'view 26 **F'sat** 118 **Sky** 131 **Virgin** 119 **HD** **Virgin** 179

6.00am Bring It! (HD) **7.35** The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills (S) (HD) **8.30** Income Property (S) (HD) **9.00** LittleBe (HD)

12 noon Cake Wars (S) (HD) **12.55pm** Celebrity Dinner Date (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00 Celebrity Dinner Date Five singletons try to woo ex-*Towie* star Amy Childs. (S) (HD)

7.00 *Love Island*'s Marcel Somerville chooses three dates from five menus. (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Dinner Date: Love at First Bite Memorable moments, as well as interviews with celebrities and dating experts. (S) (HD)

9.00 Botched A cosplayer hopes to make her body more comical. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 ***New.*** **Marriage Boot Camp: Reality Stars** Chris makes a last-ditch effort to save his relationship. Last in the series. (S) (HD)

11.00 Don't Be Tardy The family watches Brielle's boyfriend play baseball. (S) (HD)

11.30 Kim and Kroy must make a decision about their dog's future. (S) (HD)

12 midnight Mob Wives: the Last Stand (S) (HD) **1.40am** Vanderpump Rules (S) (HD) **3.15** Bachelor in Paradise **5.30–6.00am** Nightscreen

ITVBe +1 **Freesat** 119 **Sky** 231 **Virgin** 120

Drama 20



Call the Midwife *2.00pm* A date leaves Trixie (left) with a spring in her step

Freeview 20 **Freesat** 158 **Sky** 143 **Virgin** 130

7.10am Birds of a Feather **7.40** Soldier Soldier (S) **9.40** Classic Holby City: Diane receives devastating news **10.40** The Bill (S)

12.40pm Classic EastEnders: double bill **2.00** Call the Midwife: triple bill (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm Call the Midwife ***2/8*** *Series 4.* Barbara faces her most challenging case to date when she treats first-time mother Abigail Bissette – but the birth does not go according to plan. Meanwhile, Sister Julienne is struggling with the increasing financial pressure on Nonnatus House. (S) (AD) (HD)

7.20 As Time Goes By Jean can't wait to become a grandmother – despite Judith not even being pregnant.

8.00 Father Brown ***3/15*** *Series 3.* **The Invisible Man.** The circus brings death to Kembleford when a clown is murdered. While hunting the killer, Father Brown tries to determine why a parishioner has agreed to marry the sinister wizard Welkin. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Death in Paradise ***3/8*** *Series 5.* **Posing in Murder** When a promising young model falls foul of a strangler during a catwalk show, Humphrey finds himself mixed up in the highly strung world of fashion. JP Hooper, meanwhile, bumps into an old flame. Guest-starring Paul Nicholls. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.20 Silent Witness ***3/5*** *Series 19.* **Life Licence.** When an ex-convict is found murdered in his home, suspicion immediately lands on a recently released child killer. Both the victim and one of the suspects were clients of forensic psychologist Sasha Blackburn, who is soon introduced to Nikki and the Lyell team. Lyndsey Marshal and Niamh Cusack guest-star. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.55am The White Princess: Elizabeth struggles through her labour (S) (AD) (HD) **2.15–4.00am** The Heart Guy (HD)

Drama +1 **Sky** 243 **Virgin** 226

Dave 19

F'view 19 **F'sat** 157 **Sky** 111 **Virgin** 127 **HD** **Virgin** 227 **BT** 387

7.10am Soapbox Race: a course in Lithuania (HD) **8.00** Expedition with Steve Backshall (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Top Gear: Winter Blunderland (AD) (HD) **10.00** Top Gear (S) (AD) (HD) **11.30** Top Gear Patagonia Special (S) (HD)

2.15pm Top Gear: Africa Special (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00** ***New.*** Top Gear: Winter Blunderland: the best winter challenges (AD) (HD)

6.00pm ***New.*** **Soapbox Race** A course at Windhaven Parkway in Fort Worth. (HD)

7.00 World's Most Dangerous Roads Ed Byrne and Andy Parsons travel across Siberia's "Road of Bones". (S) (HD)

8.00 QI With guest players Aisling Bea, Holly Walsh and Nikki Bedi. (HD)

9.00 Would I Lie to You? Double bill. (S)

10.20 Mock the Week With guests Angela Barnes, Gary Delaney, Ed Gamble, Kerry Godliman and Nish Kumar. (S) (HD)

11.00 Taskmaster ***7/10*** *Series 8.* Joe Thomas grapples with awkward hand-wear. (S) (HD)

12 midnight QI (HD) **1.00am** Have I Got a Bit More Old News for You (S) (HD) **2.15** Would I Lie to You? (S) **3.15–4.00am** Mock the Week (HD)

Dave Ja Vu **Freeview** 79 **Sky** 211 **Virgin** 131

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More4 18



Romancing the Stone *10.30am*
Joan and Jack go on an adventure

F'view 18 **F'sat** 124 **Sky** 136 **Virgin** 147 HD **Virgin** 195

8.55am Food Unwrapped (S) (AD) (HD) **9.30** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun (S) (HD) **10.30 FILM** Romancing the Stone ★★★★ Comedy adventure starring Michael Douglas
Also showing on Christmas Day 2.15pm More4 and Thurday 2 January 12.10pm Channel 4 (S) (HD)
12.35pm Four in a Bed (S) (HD) **3.10** Come Dine with Me: five editions (S) (HD) **5.50** The Secret Life of the Zoo (S) (AD) (HD)

6.55pm The Supervet
Noel Fitzpatrick treats a crossbreed puppy in need of complex surgery. (S) (AD) (HD)

7.55 Escape to the Château
Preparing for Christmas. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 24 Hours in A&E
A four-year-old gets a foreign object stuck up his nose. (S) (AD) (HD)
10.00 A five-year-old girl is rushed to St George's with head injuries. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.05 The World's Most Expensive Presents
Cameras follow craftsmen and women producing lavish gifts. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.10am Eight out of Ten Cats Does Countdown (S) (HD) **1.15** as 9pm (S) (AD) (HD) **2.15** ***New.*** Animal Airport: a rabbit arrives from Iran (S) (HD) **3.20–3.50am** Father Ted (S) (AD)

More4 +1 **Freeview** 86 **Freesat** 125 **Sky** 236 **Virgin** 196

E4 13

F'view 13 **F'sat** 122 **Sky** 135 **Virgin** 106 HD **Virgin** 145

6.00am Hollyoaks Shown last Thu/Fri C4 (AD) **7.00** Rude(ish) Tube Shorts **7.15** Don't Tell the Bride: Christmas in the Snow **8.20 FILM** Christmas at the Palace ★★ (W) **10.00 FILM** The Princess Bride ★★★★ (W)
12 noon The Big Bang Theory (AD) **1.00pm** The Goldbergs (AD) **2.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine (AD) **3.00** The Big Bang Theory (AD)
6.00pm Brooklyn Nine-Nine (AD)
7.00 ***New.*** **Hollyoaks** Nancy throws a party. Cast pp171/241 Rptd Friday 27 Dec 6.30pm C4 (AD)
7.30 Young Sheldon ***Ep 10*** *Series 3.* Dr Sturgis spies on Meemaw's new boyfriend. (AD)
8.00 ***New.*** **Don't Tell the Bride: Let It Snow!** Steve from Rotherham takes sole charge of organising his festive wedding.
9.00 ***New.*** **Made in Chelsea: Christmas in Buenos Aires** Zara does not want to see Sam.
10.00 First Dates at Christmas Ten singletons hope to find love in time for Christmas. (AD)
11.05 The Big Bang Theory *12/24 Series 10* The gang share Christmas adventures. (AD)
11.35 *13/24.* Penny goes on a spa weekend. (AD)
12 midnight Naked Attraction (AD) **1.05am** Gogglebox (AD) **2.10** as 10pm **3.05** as 9pm **4.00** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **4.50–6.00am** ***New.*** School of Rock First shown on Nickelodeon

E4 +1 **Freeview** 28 **Freesat** 123 **Sky** 235 **Virgin** 146

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F'view 47 **F'sat** 127 **Sky** 137 **Virgin** 143 HD **F'view** 110

9.00am Come Dine with Me **2.00pm** Kirstie's Handmade Christmas (AD) **5.00** Escape to the Château (AD) **6.00** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun **8.00** Inside Cadbury: Chocolate Secrets Unwrapped Shown yesterday 6.15pm C4 (AD) **9.00** The Undateables (AD) **10.00** The World's Most Expensive Toys (AD) **11.05** The Secret World of Toys at Christmas Shown 7pm Channel 4 (AD)
12.15am Old People's Home for 4 Year Olds (AD) **1.20** Kirstie's Handmade Christmas (AD) **2.25** Jamie's Easy Christmas Countdown (AD) **3.30** Come Dine with Me **4.25–4.55am** Frasier (AD)

Paramount Network 54



The Invention of Lying *9.00pm* Will Anna squeeze the truth out of Mark?

F'view 54 **F'sat** 132 **Sky** 153 **Virgin** 188 HD **Virgin** 187

9.00am The Office US (HD) **9.55** Now That's Funny! (S) (HD) **11.55 FILM** Last Chance for Christmas ★★ Fantasy romance (HD)
1.45pm FILM The Christmas Apprentice ★★ Comedy (HD) **3.35 FILM** Switched at Christmas ★★ Drama (HD) **5.20 FILM** A Christmas Arrangement ★★ Romance (HD)

7.10pm Christmas at Graceland ★★
Romantic drama starring Wes Brown, Kellie Pickler and Ned Vaughn.
Director Eric Close (2018) (HD)

9.00 The Invention of Lying ★★★
Comedy co-written, co-directed by and starring Ricky Gervais. In a world where everyone is honest, Mark Bellison's moment of being economical with the truth turns him into something of a prophet. But will it be enough to win the girl of his dreams?
Directors Ricky Gervais and Matthew Robinson (2009, 12) (HD)

11.00 Me, Myself & Irene ★★★
Comedy from the makers of *There's Something about Mary,* starring Jim Carrey and Renée Zellweger.
Directors Bobby Farrelly and Peter Farrelly (2000, 15) (HD)

1.10am The Strain (HD) **2.10** Designated Survivor (HD) **3.05** CSI: Miami **4.40** The Office US (S) (HD) **5.00** Neighbours (S) (AD) (HD) **5.30** Access (S) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** The Office US (HD)

Pick 11

Freeview 11 **Freesat** 144 **Sky** 152 **Virgin** 165

7.00am Caught Red Handed: triple bill **9.00** Border Security: Australia's Front Line: eight back-to-back editions following the work of customs and immigration officials **1.00** Nothing to Declare: 12 back-to-back editions of the series **7.00pm** TV's Greatest Gameshows: Roy Walker is joined by celebs and past competitors to explore what makes game shows great **9.00** It's Christmas Live from the Royal Albert Hall: Jason Manford hosts a concert of Christmas classics **11.00** Oasis Live at Barrowlands: a 2001 concert by the Manchester band in Glasgow
12.15am The Force: Essex: four editions (AD) **4.00** Road Wars **5.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol

Pick +1 **Freeview** 92 **Freesat** 145 **Sky** 252

Sony Channel 48

Freeview 48 *(limited)* **Freesat** 142 **Sky** 157 **Virgin** 189

6.00am The Waltons **7.00** Hart to Hart **9.00 FILM** CHiPs '99 ★★ Police drama **11.00** Charlie's Angels **12 noon** Starsky & Hutch **1.00pm** TJ Hooker **2.00** Hart to Hart **5.00** Murder, She Wrote **6.00pm** Starsky & Hutch **7.00** M*A*S*H **9.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? **12 midnight** M*A*S*H **2.00am** Hart to Hart **3.00** M*A*S*H **3.30** The Waltons **4.20** Touched by an Angel **5.10–6.00am** Highway to Heaven

Sony Channel +1 **Freesat** 152 **Sky** 257

Horror Channel 70

Freeview 70 **Freesat** 138 **Sky** 317 **Virgin** 149

8.00am seaQuest DSV **9.00** Star Trek: Voyager **10.00** Star Trek **11.00 FILM** Starman ★★★★ Sci-fi romance **1.15pm FILM** Lavalantula ★★ Sci-fi horror **2.50** Highlights **3.00** Sliders **4.00 FILM** Independence Day-saster ★★ Sci-fi action drama starring Ryan Merriman **5.50** Highlights **6.00pm** Star Trek **7.00** Star Trek: Voyager **8.00** Mutant X **9.00 FILM** The Thing ★★★★ Sci-fi horror starring Kurt Russell **11.05 FILM** All Cheerleaders Die ★★★ Comedy horror starring Caitlin Stasey **12.55am FILM** The Sand ★★ Horror **2.40–4.30am FILM** Tales That Witness Madness ★★ Portmanteau horror

5 USA 21

Freeview 21 **Freesat** 129 **Sky** 141 **Virgin** 153

9.00am Access **9.10** Criminals: Caught on Camera (S) **9.35** CSI: NY (S) (AD) **11.20** CSI: Miami (S) (AD) **12.20pm** Murder, She Wrote (S) (AD) **2.25** Columbo: Double Shock (S) **4.00** Columbo: Suitable for Framing (S) **5.35** Columbo: Playback (S) **7.05** NCIS: Los Angeles *Series 4.* Double bill. The agents try to locate a missing operative, then Deeks goes under cover (S) **9.00** ***New.*** Law & Order: Criminal Intent *Series 6.* A well-known historian is poisoned First shown on Universal (S) (AD) **10.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (S) (AD) **12.50am** CSI: Miami (S) (AD) **1.50** Longmire: Vic testifies against Gilbert (S) **3.05–4.00am** Criminals: Caught on Camera: double bill (S)

5 USA +1 **F'view** 57 (not 2-4am) **F'sat** 130 **Sky** 241 **Virgin** 185

5 Star 30

Freeview 30 **Freesat** 131 **Sky** 128 **Virgin** 151

8.00am Two and a Half Men **8.20** Strongman 2017 (S) **1.35pm FILM** Call Me Claus ★★★ Comedy (S) **3.30 FILM** Alvin and the Chipmunks: the Squeakquel ★★★ Part-animated comedy adventure (S) **5.10 FILM** Big Momma's House ★★★ Comedy starring Martin Lawrence and Nia Long (S) **7.15pm FILM** Jumper ★★★ Sci-fi action thriller starring Hayden Christensen (S) **9.00 FILM** Cocktail ★★ Romantic drama starring Tom Cruise, Bryan Brown and Elisabeth Shue (S) **11.10 FILM** Just Friends ★★★ Romantic comedy starring Ryan Reynolds, Amy Smart and Anna Faris (S) **1.10am** Embarrassing Sex Story of the Year: a countdown of the most awful mishaps (S) **2.35** Riverdale (S) (HD) **3.30** Two and a Half Men: Jake cheats on his girlfriend **3.55–4.00am** Access

5 Star +1 **Freeview** 56 **Sky** 228 **Virgin** 186

5 Spike 31

Freeview 31 **Freesat** 141 **Sky** 150 **Virgin** 154

9.00am Access (HD) **9.10** The A-Team (AD) (HD) **10.10** 999 Emergency: Winter Road Rescue (HD) **11.15** Police Interceptors (HD) **12.15pm** Traffic Cops (HD) **1.20 FILM** Paratroop Command ★★ (BW) (HD) **2.55 FILM** Cast a Long Shadow ★★ (BW) **4.40 FILM** Island in the Sky ★★ Adventure (HD) **6.55pm** P **FILM** Lancaster Skies ★★ War drama (HD) **9.00 FILM** Hummingbird ★★ Thriller (HD) **11.00 FILM** Universal Soldier ★★★ Futuristic action thriller **1.00am** Airwolf (HD) **2.00–3.00am** Fire Starter: Caught in the Act (HD)

5 Spike +1 **Sky** 250

5 Select 55

Freeview 55 **Freesat** 133 **Sky** 159 **Virgin** 152

9.00am Access **9.10** Paddington Station 24/7 **10.00** Cruising with Jane McDonald: starting out in Wellington **11.00** The Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies (S) (AD) **12 noon FILM** On the Twelfth Day of Christmas ★★ Romantic comedy starring Brooke Nevin **1.55pm** GPs: behind Closed Doors (S) (AD) **4.00** The Yorkshire Vet (S) **5.00** The Dog Rescuers **6.00pm** GPs: behind Closed Doors (S) (AD) **8.00** Inside Sandringham: Holidaying with the Queen **9.30** The Michael McIntyre Story **11.00** When Game Shows Go Horribly Wrong **2.00am** Eamonn and Ruth: How the Other Half Lives **3.00** CSI: Miami **3.55–4.00am** Access

CBS Justice 39

Freeview 39 **Freesat** 137 **Sky** 148 **Virgin** 192

9.00am Diagnosis Murder **11.00** Matlock **12 noon** Perry Mason (BW) **1.05pm** Walker, Texas Ranger **2.05** CSI: Miami **3.00** NCIS **5.00** Matlock **6.00pm** Perry Mason (BW) **7.05** NCIS **8.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **9.00** CSI: NY: a mounted police officer is shot **10.00** NCIS **12 midnight** CSI: Miami **1.00am** CSI: NY **2.00** Gunsmoke **3.05** Bonanza **4.50–6.00am** Mission: Impossible

CBS Drama 71

Freeview 71 **Freesat** 134 **Sky** 147 **Virgin** 197

9.00am Medium **10.00** ER **11.00** The Love Boat **12 noon** Judge Judy **1.00pm** Bonanza **3.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **4.00** Unsolved Mysteries **6.00pm** The Love Boat **7.00** JAG **8.00** Judge Judy **9.00** Medium: Joe is taken hostage **10.00** CSI: Miami **11.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **12 midnight** Judge Judy **1.00am** ER **2.00** Medium **3.00** CSI: Miami **4.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **5.00–6.00am** Unsolved Mysteries

Listings for **PBS America**, **Smithsonian** see over. **Film4** and other **Freeview movie** channels: **p128**

Yesterday 25

Freeview 25 **Freesat** 159 **Sky** 155 **Virgin** 129

6.00am WW2 Price of Empire (S) (HD) **8.00** The World at War (S) (HD) **11.00** Planet Earth (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00pm** Planet Earth II (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** Planet Earth (S) (AD) (HD) **6.00pm** Planet Earth II (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Underground Worlds (S) (HD) **8.00** Abandoned Engineering (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Bangers and Cash: behind the scenes of a North Yorkshire-based, family-run, classic car auction business (S) (HD) **10.00** Train Truckers: the exploits of a family-run crew of heavy-haulage specialists (S) (HD) **11.00** Steam Train Britain (S) (AD) (HD) **12 midnight** War Factories (S) (HD) **1.00–3.00am** World's Greatest Palaces (S) (AD) (HD)

Yesterday +1 **Sky** 255 **Virgin** 200

Really 17

Freeview 17 **Freesat** 160 **Sky** 142 **Virgin** 128

6.00am Homes under the Hammer (HD) **7.00** Home Shopping **8.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad (HD) **7.00pm** Antiques Road Trip: double bill. Charles Hanson and Christina Trevanion seek out bargain antiques, beginning in Whaley Bridge, Derbyshire, before heading to Liverpool, then they move on to Manchester and Birkenhead (HD) **9.00** ***New.*** Saving Lives at Sea: an 18-year-old hopes to become Newquay's first helmswoman (HD) **10.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad (HD) **11.00** Ghost Adventures (HD) **12 midnight** Unexplained: Caught on Camera (HD) **1.00am** Help! My House Is Haunted (HD) **2.00** Home Shopping **4.00–6.00am** Antiques Road Trip (HD)

Home 42

Freeview 42 **Freesat** 166 **Sky** 158 **Virgin** 279

7.00am DIY SOS: the Big Build (HD) **6.00pm** DIY SOS: the Big Build: six back-to-back editions. Renovation work is completed on a woman's Dartford home **7.00** A Devon bungalow is converted into a four-bedroom home **8.00** The team travel to Orpington, south-east London **9.00** Nick Knowles and the team travel to Aberystwyth, to renovate the home of a builder with a brain tumour **10.00** Nick Knowles and the team provide a home makeover for members of a Durham family **11.00** Nick Knowles is joined by guest designer Charlie Luxton to help a Stoke family (HD) **12 midnight–4.00am** DIY SOS: the Big Build (HD)

Home +1 **Sky** 258 **Virgin** 283

Quest 12

F'view 12 **F'sat** 172 **Sky** 144 **Virgin** 169 HD **F'view** 114 **F'sat** 167

6.00am Mighty Ships: seven episodes (HD) **1.00pm** Mighty Cruise Ships: six episodes (HD) **7.00** Deadliest Catch: Scariest Moments at Sea: compilation of tales about life and death on the high seas (HD) **8.00** Salvage Hunters: Drew Pritchard visits Belgium (HD) **9.00** Outback Truckers: a Perth heavy haulage crew moves a huge pedestrian bridge (HD) **10.00** Rocky Mountain Railroad: a restored, vintage train takes an epic journey across Canada (HD) **11.00** How Do They Do It?: double bill. Sardine fishing, ejector seats and Piaggio scooters, then the production of clogs, pasties and how planes are painted (HD) **12 midnight** Wheeler Dealers (AD) (HD) **1.00am** Chasing Classic Cars (HD) **2.00** Wheels That Fail (HD) **3.00** Destroyed in Seconds **4.00** Swamp Loggers (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Overhaulin'

Quest +1 **F'view** 76 (7pm-4am) **F'sat** 168 **Sky** 244 **Virgin** 213

Challenge 46

Freeview 46 **Freesat** 146 **Sky** 151 **Virgin** 164

7.00am Family Fortunes: game show hosted by Les Dennis **12 noon** All Star Family Fortunes **6.00pm** The Chase Celebrity Special: triple bill. With Sally Lindsay, Shaun Williamson, Barry McGuigan and Jenny Frost **7.00** With Nick Hancock, Jenny Eclair, Michelle Collins and Rufus Hound **8.00** With John Thomson, Carol Vorderman, Sue Cleaver and Paul Ross (AD) **9.00** The Chase **10.00** Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?: double bill of the big-prize quiz (AD) **12 midnight** Bullseye **4.30–6.00am** Winter Wipeout: Winter version of *Total Wipeout*

Challenge +1 **Freesat** 147 **Sky** 251 **Virgin** 230

BBC Parliament 232

Freeview 232 **Freesat** 201 **Sky** 504 **Virgin** 605

6.00am Political Highlights: three back-to-back editions of recorded coverage of political and parliamentary highlights **6.00pm** Political Highlights: recorded coverage of political and parliamentary highlights **12 midnight–6.00am** Political Highlights: recorded coverage of political and parliamentary highlights

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The Reluctant Landlord *10.00pm* Romesh shuts up

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Sky 106 **Virgin** 110 **HD** **Virgin** 109

6.00am Capital Jingle Bell Ball (HD) **8.00** A Kylie Christmas (S) (HD) **10.00** The Last Dragonslayer (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** ***New.*** Cats and the Movie Musical Special (HD) **1.00pm** The Simpsons (S) (HD) **5.00 FILM** Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs ★★★★ Fantasy (W) (HD)

7.00pm ***New.*** **How To Train Your Dragon: Homecoming** (HD)

7.30 ***New.*** **The Christmas Letter** Christmas-mad Henry tries to bring some cheer into a lonely old woman's life. Animation narrated by Kate Winslet. (HD)

8.00 ***New.*** **Harry Potter: a Who's Who of the Wizarding World** Alex Zane looks at the characters in the *Harry Potter* movies. (HD)

9.00 Michael Bublé's Christmas in Hollywood With Celine Dion, Tori Kelly and Sharon Jones. (S) (HD)

10.00 ***New.*** **The Reluctant Landlord** Romesh announces that the pub is closing for Christmas. (HD)

10.30 Micky Flanagan: Back in the Game (S) (HD)

12.30am Micky Flanagan's Christmas (S) (AD) (HD) **1.30** Street Crime UK (S) (HD) **2.00** Road Wars (S) **3.00** Gwen Stefani's You Make It Feel like Christmas (S) (HD) **4.00** as 12 noon **5.00–6.00am** Snake Boss (S) (HD)

Sky 1 +1 **Sky** 206

Sky Arts

Sky 122 **Virgin** 123 **HD** **Virgin** 156

6.00am Sinatra and Friends (HD) **7.00** It's Christmas Live from the Royal Albert Hall (HD) **9.00** Celebrity Portrait Artist of the Year (HD) **10.00** The Eighties (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** Pavarotti: Birth of a Pop Star (S) (HD) **1.00pm** The Three Tenors: Christmas Concert (HD) **2.45** Kylie: Showgirl – the Greatest Hits Tour (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00** Michael Bublé's Christmas in Hollywood (S) (HD)

6.00pm Laurel and Hardy: Their Lives and Magic The turbulent private lives of Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy. (S) (HD)

7.45 Bee Gees: in Our Own Time The story of how three very close brothers became one of the most successful bands of all time. (S)

9.00 ***New.*** **Sid and Judy**
RT Documentary exploring the life of singer and actress Judy Garland, with insight from her third husband Sid Luft helping to paint a picture of who she really was. **See page 121.** (HD)

11.00 André Rieu: Christmas in London 2016 The violinist and conductor captures the unique festive atmosphere of the capital as soloists and the Johann Strauss Orchestra join him for an evening of carols and classics. (HD)

1.00am Neil Diamond: Music Icons: the work of the singer/songwriter (S) (HD) **1.30** Comedy Legends (HD) **2.30** Bradley Wiggins on Mods (S) (HD) **3.30** Quadrophenia Reunited: 40 Years On (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Discovering: Cash (HD)



Game of Thrones *9.00pm* Daenerys makes a mistake

Sky Atlantic

Sky 108

6.00am Fish Town (S) (HD) **7.00** Urban Secrets (S) (HD) **8.00** The Guest Wing (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **10.00** The West Wing (S) (HD) **12 noon** Without a Trace (S) (HD) **2.00pm** Blue Bloods (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** The West Wing (S) (HD) **5.00** Without a Trace (S) (HD)

6.00pm Without a Trace *17/24* *Series 4.* An agoraphobic agony aunt disappears. (S) (HD)

7.00 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation *19/23* *Series 3* A murder is committed at an art-house cinema. (HD)

8.00 Blue Bloods *21/22* *Series 4* Jamie and Eddie help Nicky track down a former classmate who is living on the streets. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Game of Thrones *9/10* *Series 5.* Daenerys hosts a celebration of athleticism. **10.00** *10/10.* Jon is challenged at the Wall, while across the Narrow Sea, Daenerys is surrounded by strangers. **11.10** *1/10* *Series 6.* The fate of Jon Snow is revealed. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.10am Ray Donovan (HD) **1.20** True Detective (S) (AD) (HD) **3.40** Nurse Jackie (S) (AD) (HD) **4.15–6.00am** The West Wing (S) (HD)

Sky Atlantic +1 **Sky** 208

Sky Crime

Sky 121 **Virgin** 136 **HD** **Virgin** 135

6.00am Motorway Patrol (S) **7.00** Stop, Search, Seize (S) **9.00** Highway Cops **1.00pm** Border Security: Australia's Front Line (S)

6.00pm Snapped Police investigate the new wife of a murdered Virginia state trooper. (S)

7.00 Banged Up Abroad The true stories of travellers whose dreams have turned into nightmares after being arrested and incarcerated in a foreign country.

8.00 Killer in My Village A look into the death of church organist Alan Greaves, who was attacked on his way to midnight mass in Sheffield in 2012. (S)

9.00 ***New.*** **Killer Neighbours** A brave mother is stabbed to death when she stands up to the neighbourhood bully – but there may not be enough evidence to bring her killer to justice. (S)

10.00 Kemper on Kemper: inside the Mind of a Serial Killer A former FBI agent details his interviews with serial killer Ed Kemper. (S) (AD)

11.35 World's Most Evil Killers Examining the crimes of Jeffrey Dahmer, who killed 17 people between 1978 and 1991. (S) (AD)

12.35am Homicide for the Holidays **1.30** Snapped (S) **2.30** Killer in My Village (S) **3.30** Road Wars Special (S) **4.30** Police Ten 7 (S) **5.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol (S)

Sky Crime +1 **Sky** 221 **Virgin** 207



The InBetween *9.00pm* Cassie becomes suspicious

Sky Witness

Sky 107 **Virgin** 112 **HD** **Virgin** 111

6.00am Nothing to Declare (S) (AD) **8.00** Sun, Sea and A&E (S) (AD) **9.00** The Real A&E (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00pm** Stop, Search, Seize (S) (HD)

6.00pm Stop, Search, Seize Documentary following the work of Ireland's border force. (S) (HD)

7.00 Nothing to Declare Double bill following customs officers in Australia at work. (S)

8.00 Criminal Minds *2/22* *Series 13.* The team's new case involves three old crimes. (S) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **The InBetween** *7/10* Tom and Damien hunt for a serial pyromaniac. Meanwhile, Cassie has suspicions about the new bartender at work and things take a turn for Sally. (HD)

10.00 Criminal Minds *23/24* *Series 8.* The team members investigate a string of drug overdoses in Manhattan. (S) (HD)

11.00 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit *17/23* *Series 13* Benson is accused of putting an innocent man in prison. (HD)

12 midnight CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **1.00am** The Good Doctor (HD) **2.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (HD) **3.00–6.00am** Nothing to Declare (S)

Sky Witness +1 **Sky** 207 **Virgin** 180

Sky 2

Sky 168 **Virgin** 160

7.00am The Dog Whisperer **10.00** My Kitchen Rules: Australia (S) **12.30pm** Monkey Life (S) (AD) **1.00** Supergirl (S) **6.00** Road Wars: five editions. A drug dealer tries to escape being searched **7.00** Police officers combat vehicle crime **8.00** A suspected car thief causes problems **9.00** Seasonal edition of the documentary **10.00** Featuring traffic video clips from around the world (S) **11.00** Street Crime UK: double bill. An office party in Peterborough ends in a fight, then a man in Colwyn Bay is fined for urinating on a Christmas tree (S) **1.30am** The Reluctant Landlord **2.00** The InBetween **3.00** A League of Their Own (S) (AD) **4.00–6.00am** Monkey Life (S) (AD)

Universal TV

Sky 113 **Virgin** 122 **BT** 320 **HD** **Virgin** 121 **BT** 385

8.00am Private Eyes (S) (HD) **11.00** NCIS (S) (HD) **3.00pm** Law & Order (S) (HD) **5.00** NCIS (S) (HD) **9.00pm** Burden of Truth: Billy's brother has an idea to save the town (S) (HD) **10.00** Proven Innocent: Easy helps a young immigrant convicted of murder (S) (HD) **11.00** CSI: Miami: double bill. Horatio has to sack a member of his team, and Ryan is suspected of unwittingly helping a killer (S) (HD) **1.00am** Private Eyes: Shade and Angie go undercover in a medieval-themed restaurant (S) (HD) **2.00** Burden of Truth (S) (HD) **3.00** Sea Patrol (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Numb3rs (S) (AD) (HD)

Universal TV +1 **Sky** 213 **Virgin** 206



Gavin & Stacey *8.40pm* Can long-distance love survive?

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Sky 109 **Virgin** 125 **BT** 311 **HD** **Virgin** 211 **BT** 383

6.00am Doctor Who (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** Dynamo: Magician Impossible (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Inside the Ambulance at Christmas (S) (HD)

6.00pm Inside the Ambulance at Christmas Stu and Rob treat a man with breathing difficulties who has a detachable ear. (S) (HD) **7.00** It's New Year's Eve, one of the busiest days for West Midlands Ambulance Service. (S) (HD)

8.00 Miranda The shop owner has two proposals to decide between. (S) (AD) (HD)

8.40 Gavin & Stacey Can the couple's long-distance love thrive they meet up for the first time in London? (S) (AD) (HD) **9.20** The couple have their first lovers' tiff. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 One Born Every Minute Lauren and Rachel arrive in the maternity ward awaiting the birth of their second child together. (HD)

11.00 Inside the Ambulance at Christmas Jamie and Stuart race to a supermarket where a man has collapsed. (S) (HD)

12 midnight Inside the Operating Theatre (AD) (HD) **1.00am** John Bishop in Conversation with Samantha Womack (S) (HD) **1.50–3.00am** Flack (S) (AD) (HD)

W +1 **Sky** 209 **Virgin** 190

Syfy

Sky 114 **Virgin** 138 **BT** 319 **HD** **Virgin** 137 **BT** 375

6.00am Marvel's Runaways **8.00** Home Shopping **11.00** The Librarians **12 noon FILM** Charlotte's Web ★★★ Family fantasy **2.50pm FILM** Memoirs of an Invisible Man ★★★ Quirky comedy thriller **4.50 FILM** Cirque du Freak: the Vampire's Assistant ★★ Fantasy horror **7.00 FILM** The Addams Family ★★★★ Comedy horror with Anjelica Huston and Raul Julia **9.00 FILM** Hellboy ★★★ Horror action starring Ron Perlman **11.30 FILM** Sleepy Hollow ★★★★ Gothic fantasy with Johnny Depp **1.40am FILM** Lara Croft: Tomb Raider ★★ **4.00–6.00am FILM** Independence Day-saster ★★

Syfy +1 **Sky** 214 **Virgin** 229

TLC

Sky 133 **Virgin** 167 **BT** 323 **HD** **BT** 377

6.00am Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **8.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress: Randy Knows Best (HD) **12 noon** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **7.00pm** Counting On: Jinger and Jeremey receive some devastating news (HD) **8.00** Welcome to Plathville: Moriah has some big news to share with the family (HD) **9.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (AD) (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **11.00** Dr Pimple Popper (HD) **12 midnight** as 8pm **1.00am** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (AD) (HD) **2.00** Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **3.00** as 11pm **4.00–6.00am** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD)

TLC +1 **Sky** 233 **Virgin** 172



The Vicar of Dibley *9.20pm* Geraldine takes on too much

Gold

Sky 110 **Virgin** 124 **BT** 310

7.30am Citizen Khan (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** Wallace & Gromit: A Matter of Loaf and Death (S) (HD) **8.40** Last of the Summer Wine (S) **11.20** Wallace & Gromit: A Matter of Loaf and Death (S) (HD) **12 noon** 2 Point 4 Children Christmas Special 1992 **12.40pm** Porridge (S) (AD) **1.45** Only Fools and Horses (S) (AD) **3.20** Trust Morecambe & Wise (S) (HD) **4.20** Dad's Army (S)

5.00pm Only Fools and Horses Christmas special from 2002. The Trotters go to France. (S) (AD) **6.40** Christmas 2003 special. The Trotters face bankruptcy. (S) (AD)

8.20 Trust Morecambe and Wise How the duo approached the themes of travel. (S) (HD)

9.20 The Vicar of Dibley Geraldine attends three Christmas lunches. From 1996. (S) (AD)

10.20 The Royle Family: Barbara's Old Ring Dave comes up with an idea. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.40 Live at the Apollo With Romesh Ranganathan, Seann Walsh, Kerry Godliman and Spencer Jones. (S) (HD)

12.40am Gavin & Stacey (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00** Catherine Tate's Nan (HD) **3.10–4.00am** David Jason: Planes, Trains and Automobiles (S) (AD) (HD)

Gold +1 **Sky** 210 **Virgin** 194

Comedy Central

Sky 112 **Virgin** 132 **BT** 307 **HD** **Virgin** 181 **BT** 370

8.00am Bob's Burgers (S) (HD) **9.00 FILM** Alvin and the Chipmunks: the Road Chip ★★ Comedy adventure sequel starring Jason Lee **11.20** Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00pm** Michael McIntyre's Big Christmas Show **4.55** Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Michael McIntyre: Hello Wembley! (S) (HD) **10.00** Your Face or Mine Christmas (HD) **10.30** Roast Battle Christmas (S) (HD) **11.30** Drunk History (S) (HD) **12 midnight** Da Ali G Show: double bill (S) (HD) **1.10am** South Park: five episodes (S) (HD) **3.25** Bob's Burgers (S) (HD) (HD) **4.10** Most Ridiculous – Sports (S) (HD) **4.35–5.00am** Most Ridiculous – Weddings (S) (HD)

Comedy Central +1 **Sky** 212 **Virgin** 133

Lifetime

Sky 187 **Virgin** 208 **BT** 329 **HD** **BT** 384

7.00am Judge Judy (HD) **12 noon** Little Women: Atlanta (HD) **4.00pm** Dance Moms (HD) **7.00** Judge Judy (HD) **9.00** ***New.*** Cheerleader Generation: Donna must decide whether or not to make the routines easier when her high-schoolers cannot hit their stunts (HD) **10.00** The Joy of Sex Toys: double bill. Behind the scenes at an online sex-toy retailer, revealing the people and products behind its success, then the public are challenged to design their own sex toys (HD) **12 midnight** Storage Wars: double bill (HD) **1.00am** Cheerleader Generation **2.00** Hardcore Pawn: double bill (HD) **3.00–4.00am** Kiss, Bang, Love (HD)

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Death in Paradise *8.00pm*
DI Poole is left confused

Alibi

Sky 132 **Virgin** 126 **BT** 312 **HD** **Virgin** 212 **BT** 382

7.10am Murdoch Mysteries (S) (HD)
8.00 Miss Marple (S) (AD)
1.00pm Father Brown (S) (AD) (HD)
4.00 Death in Paradise (S) (AD) (HD)

6.40pm Death in Paradise *3/8 Series 1.* After predicting her own murder, a voodoo priestess is found dead in the local school the next day. Guest-starring Nicholas Farrell. (S) (AD) (HD)
8.00 *4/8.* A woman confesses to shooting dead her husband, but Richard is puzzled by the absence of a body at the crime scene. Neil Stuke guest-stars. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **Traces** *5/6.* Crime drama starring Molly Windsor, Laura Fraser and Martin Compston, written by Amelia Bullmore, and based on an original idea by Val McDermid. (AD) (HD)

10.00 Death in Paradise *1/8 Series 1.* A British inspector is called in to solve a fellow DI's murder on a Caribbean island.
11.20 *2/8.* Richard investigates the murder of a bride, shot with a spear gun – and quickly establishes the culprit must be one of the wedding party.
12.40am As 6.40pm
2.00–4.00am Rizzoli & Isles: double bill (S) (AD) (HD)

Alibi +1 **Sky** 232 **Virgin** 191

Discovery History

Sky 171 **Virgin** 257

6.00am What If? **7.00** Into the Firestorm **11.00** Megastorm: World's Biggest Typhoon **12 noon** Megaquake: Hour That Shook Japan **1.00pm** Aftershock: Disaster in Nepal **2.00** Sinkholes: Swallowed Alive **3.00** Tsunami: Animal Instincts **4.00** What If?

5.00pm Most Deadly Mountaineer Peter Hillary recalls stopping short of the peak of K2.
6.00 The worst tornado outbreak in US history, which ripped through "Tornado Alley" in 1974, and destroyed a small town in its path.

7.00 Megastorm: World's Biggest Typhoon Analysis of Typhoon Haiyann, which struck the Philippines in November 2013.

8.00 Megaquake: Hour That Shook Japan The earthquake that hit Japan in March 2011.

9.00 Aftershock: Disaster in Nepal Exploring the geological causes behind the devastating 7.9-magnitude earthquake that hit Nepal on 25 April 2015, featuring exclusive testimonials from survivors and experts.

10.00 Sinkholes: Swallowed Alive Looking at the facts about these natural phenomena.

11.00 Tsunami: Animal Instincts The creatures that survived the 2004 Boxing Day tsunami.

12 midnight Into the Firestorm
4.00–6.00am Most Deadly

Discovery History +1 **Sky** 271 **Virgin** 261



NCIS *7.00pm* Gibbs and Vance work on a murder case

Fox

Sky 124 **Virgin** 157 **HD** **Virgin** 199

8.00am Bull (HD) **9.00** Bones (HD)
10.00 Bull (HD) **11.00** NCIS: New Orleans (HD) **12 noon** Bones (HD)
2.00pm The Mentalist (HD)
3.00 NCIS: New Orleans (HD)
4.00 Bull (HD) **5.00** Bones (HD)

6.00pm The Mentalist *22/24 Series 4.* Lisbon reconnects with her ex-fiancé while investigating a surfer's murder. (HD)

7.00 NCIS *4/24 Series 13.* Vance looks into a murder that seems connected to his past. (S) (AD) (HD)
8.00 *5/24.* Abby visits a lab while working on a murder case, but is trapped when armed men storm the facility. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 NCIS: New Orleans *7/24 Series 4.* The officers investigate after a clinical trial of brain implants in veterans is hacked. (HD)
10.00 *8/24.* Wade's son asks for help after being attacked and learning his girlfriend is missing. (HD)

11.00 American Dad! *Series 14* Roger joins a mysterious order of birds' egg thieves. (HD)
11.30 Stan discovers the Langley Falls mural has been ruined. (HD)
12 midnight Family Guy **1.00am** American Dad! (HD) **2.00** Family Guy **3.00** Science of Stupid (HD)
4.00–5.00am Bull (HD)

Fox +1 **Sky** 224 **Virgin** 158

History

Sky 130 **Virgin** 270 **BT** 327 **HD** **BT** 379

6.00am American Pickers **8.00** Pawn Stars (HD) **12 noon** Forged in Fire (HD) **1.00pm** Lost Gold of WWII: eight episodes of the documentary series (HD) **9.00** ***New.*** Spies of War: why scientists revealed the secrets of America's Atomic bomb to their USSR enemies (HD) **10.15** Battle of Dunkirk: from Disaster to Triumph: revealing the remarkable bravery of the Dunkirk veterans, and the story of their actions in the midst of a battle that changed the course of the Second World War (HD) **11.45** In Search Of: Zachary Quinto tackles the ultimate existential question as he explores what happens when people die (HD) **12.45am** Divided States (HD) **2.45** Pawn Stars (HD) **4.35–6.00am** Battle of Dunkirk: from Disaster to Triumph (HD)

History +1 **Sky** 230 **Virgin** 271

Animal Planet

Sky 162 **Virgin** 251 **BT** 325 **HD** **BT** 378

6.00am The Zoo: San Diego (HD) **3.00pm** The Zoo (HD) **5.00** The Zoo: San Diego (HD) **6.00** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **7.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (AD) **8.00** Crikey! It's The Irwins: Terri returns to her home town in Oregon to help Brady, a cougar, in need of a health check. At the zoo, Bindi bathes an echidna with bad skin allergies (HD) **9.00** Homestead Rescue: an SOS call from an off-grid couple (HD) **10.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (HD) **11.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (S) (HD) **1.00am** Animal Cops Houston (S) (HD) **2.00** Crikey! It's The Irwins: as 8pm (HD) **3.00** Homestead Rescue (HD) **3.50** Jeremy Wade's Dark Waters (S) (HD) **4.40** Meet the Sloths (S) (HD) **5.10–6.00am** The Zoo (S) (HD)

Animal Planet +1 **Sky** 262 **Virgin** 259



Iron Resurrection *10.00pm*
A Chevy truck is transformed

Discovery

Sky 125 **Virgin** 250 **BT** 322 **HD** **BT** 376

6.00am Fast 'n' Loud (S) (AD) (HD)

7.00pm Outback Truckers Steve takes on an old enemy at the worst time of year, while Bumpa Farrell struggles for power on an epic hay convoy. (S) (HD)

8.00 Combat Dealers Eccentric military equipment collector Bruce Crompton travels the world to view vehicles and memorabilia worth buying and restoring. (S) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **Bitchin' Rides** Kevin works on an after-hours project, using an Escalade body on a Suburban chassis to create a SEMA spectacle. (S) (HD)

10.00 Iron Resurrection Following Joe Martin and his team as they restore vehicles. The guys at Martin Brothers Customs are eager to transform a rusty 1970 Chevy truck into a powerful autocross hot rod. (S) (HD)

11.00 ***New.*** **I Was Prey** Stories of people who survived encounters with deadly beasts. (HD)
12 midnight Kindig Customs (S) (HD)
1.00am Iron Resurrection (S) (HD)
2.00 Deadliest Catch (S) (HD)
3.00 Kindig Customs (S) (HD)
3.50 Fast 'n' Loud (S) (HD)
5.30–6.00am How It's Made (S) (HD)

Discovery +1 **Sky** 225 **Virgin** 258

Nat Geographic

Sky 129 **Virgin** 266 **BT** 317 **HD** **Virgin** 268 **BT** 373

8.00am Nazi Megastructures (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** WWII's Greatest Raids (HD) **10.00** WW2: Hell under the Sea (HD) **11.00** War Heroes of the Skies (HD) **12 noon** Air Crash Investigation (HD) **2.00pm** Supercar Megabuild (HD) **3.00** Car SOS (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00** Drain the Oceans (HD) **6.00** Europe from Above (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Gordon Ramsay: Uncharted (AD) (HD) **8.00** ***New.*** Pompeii: Secrets of the Dead (HD) **9.00** ***New series.*** The Story of God with Morgan Freeman: the actor seeks to answer questions about the origin of planet Earth (HD) **10.00** Buried Secrets of the Bible (S) (HD) **11.00** Witness to Disaster (S) (HD) **12 midnight** Seconds from Disaster (HD) **1.00am** Banged Up Abroad (HD) **2.00** Air Crash Investigation (HD) **3.00–5.00am** Drain the Oceans (HD)

Nat Geo +1 **Sky** 229 **Virgin** 267

Eden

Sky 166 **Virgin** 245 **BT** 315 **HD** **Virgin** 247 **BT** 389

9.00am Wild Japan (HD) **10.00** Wild Japan (HD) **11.00** Wild Japan (HD) **12 noon** Thailand: Earth's Tropical Paradise (HD) **3.00pm** Wild Japan (HD) **6.00** Thailand: Earth's Tropical Paradise: triple bill. Examining the south of the country and the role of spirituality in daily life **7.00** Exploring the wildlife and culture of Central Thailand **8.00** In Northern Thailand, unusual partnerships develop between animals and people (HD) **9.00** Wild Japan: triple bill. The wildlife of rural Japan **10.00** The tropical Southwest Islands **11.00** The changing climate of Hokkaido (HD) **12 midnight** Thailand: Earth's Tropical Paradise (HD)
3.00am Wild Japan (HD)
5.30–6.00am Jungle Planet (HD)

Eden +1 **Sky** 266 **Virgin** 246



Inside the Megafire *9.50pm*
The 2018 wildfire season

PBS America 91

F'view (HD only) 91 **F'sat** 155 **Sky** 174 **Virgin** 273

8.00am Operation Bridge Rescue **9.15** The Last B-24 **10.30** Inside the Megafire **11.40** Kilauea: Hawaii on Fire **1.00pm** The Aviators **1.35** Operation Bridge Rescue **2.40** Thai Cave Rescue

3.50pm The Circus *1/2.* The story of one of the most popular forms of entertainment, looking back to a time when circus stars were among the world's most famous people.
6.15 *2/2.* The story concludes with a look at the rise and fall of the travelling railroad circus.

8.40 The Last B-24 A team of experts search for the wreck of the B-24 Liberator bomber Tulsamerican, which crashed off the coast of Croatia during the Second World War.

9.50 Inside the Megafire The stories of Californians who had to flee for their lives during the 2018 wildfire season, as well as a look at what is behind the rise of these record-breaking megafires.

11.00 Kilauea: Hawaii on Fire Following scientists investigating the eruption of Hawaii's Kilauea volcano in May 2018.
12.15am Saving the Dead Sea
1.30–2.00am The Aviators

PBS +1 **Freeview** 93 (HD only)

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F'view (HD only) 99 **F'sat** 175 **Sky** 195 **Virgin** 276

6.00am America's Mississippi (HD) **9.00** America in Colour (HD) **10.00** Britain in Colour (HD) **11.00** Hunt for the Double Eagle (HD) **12 noon** Mystery of the Nazca Lines (HD) **1.00pm** China's Forbidden City (HD) **3.00** America in Colour (HD) **4.00** Britain in Colour (HD) **5.00** Unbelievable Flying Objects (HD) **6.00** Inside the Christmas Factory **7.00** The Pacific War in Colour (HD) **8.00** ***New.*** Rise of Tokyo in Colour: Tokyo's transformation from 19th-century feudal city to modern metropolis **9.00** America in Colour: the 1940s (HD) **10.00** America in Colour (HD) **11.00** Rise of Tokyo in Colour **12 midnight** America in Colour: the 1940s (HD) **1.00am** America in Colour (HD) **2.00** Rise of Tokyo in Colour **3.00** America in Colour: the 1940s (HD) **4.00** America in Colour (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Unbelievable Flying Objects (HD)

Sony Crime

Freesat 143 **Sky** 179 **Virgin** 193

6.00am Speeders **7.00** Bait Car: LA **7.30** Bait Car: San Francisco **9.00** Speeders **11.00** Bait Car: LA **11.30** Bait Car: San Francisco **1.00pm** Speeders: ten editions **6.00** Speeders: six episodes. Florida police stop a dilapidated vehicle **6.30** A lounge singer is pulled over. **7.00** A high-speed chase **7.30** A drunk fan takes his partying too far **8.00** Florida police stop a dilapidated vehicle **8.30** A lounge singer is pulled over **9.00** Bait Car: LA: series revealing how the police catch car thieves in the act **9.30** Bait Car: San Francisco: vehicles equipped with tracking devices and camera show thieves at work **11.00** Speeders **12 midnight** Bait Car: LA **1.00am** Speeders **3.00** Bait Car: San Francisco **4.00** Speeders **5.00–6.00am** Bait Car: LA

CHILDREN'S

Milkshake! on C5

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6.00am Mofy **6.05** Peppa Pig **6.20** Wissper **6.30** Ben and Holly: Mr Elf forgets to deliver a box of toys to Father Christmas **6.40** Fireman Sam **7.05** Thomas & Friends **7.25** Shane the Chef: Mama Polenta fails to cure Shane's cold **7.45** Peppa Pig **8.15** Paw Patrol: double bill **8.45** Floogals: the aliens investigate a house in the garden made of glass **8.55** Digby Dragon: Albert helps Digby get to the top of a steep cliff. **9.10–9.30am** Peppa Pig

CBeebies 202

Freeview 202 **Freesat** 608 **Sky** 614 **Virgin** 702

6.00am Something Special: We're All Friends **6.20** Baby Jake **6.35** Twirlywoos **6.45** Raa Raa the Noisy Lion **6.55** Numberblocks **7.05** Bing: double bill **7.20** Hey Duggee: double bill **7.35** Bitz & Bob **7.45** Peter Rabbit **8.00** Go Jetters **8.10** Octonauts **8.20** Biggleton **8.35** Something Special: a Magical Christmas **9.00** CBeebies Peter Pan; Small Potatoes **9.45** Something Special: We're All Friends **10.05** Teletubbies **10.20** The Baby Club **10.35** Hey Duggee **10.45** Junk Rescue: Christmas Special **11.00** Pablo **11.10** My Pet and Me **11.25** The Furchester Hotel **11.35** My First Festival: Hanukkah **11.50** Sarah & Duck: Petal Light Picking **12 noon** My World Kitchen **12.10pm** What's the Big Idea? **12.15** Old Jack's Boat: Rockpool Tales **12.30** Molly and Mack **1.00** Biggleton **1.10** ***New.*** Timmy Time **1.15** Yakka Dee! **1.20** Numberblocks **1.25** Bing **1.35** Twirlywoos **1.45** Something Special: We're All Friends **2.10** Teletubbies **2.20** The Baby Club **2.35** Pablo **2.50** Time For School: Christmas Celebrations **3.00** Andy's Prehistoric Adventures **3.15** Swashbuckle **3.40** Hey Duggee **3.45** Tinpo **3.55** Messy Goes to OKIDO; My Petsaurus **4.10** My First **4.25** Grace's Amazing Machines **4.35** Peter Rabbit **4.50** Go Jetters **5.00** Waffle the Wonder Dog **5.15** Go Jetters Christmas Special: The North Pole **5.40** Hey Duggee **5.45** Moon and Me **6.10** Clangers **6.20** In the Night Garden…; Tee and Mo Song Time **6.50–7.00pm** ***New.*** CBeebies Bedtime Stories: a tale before bed

CBBC 201

Freeview 201 **Freesat** 607 **Sky** 613 **Virgin** 701

7.00am Arthur **7.10** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **7.25** Danger Mouse **7.35** Shaun the Sheep **7.45** Strange Hill High **8.05** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **8.30** Gangsta Granny **9.40** Our School **10.00** Top Class **10.35** Our School: double bill **11.15** Almost Never **2.05pm** All Over the Place: UK **2.35** The Dumping Ground **3.00** The Deep **3.25** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **3.45** The Madagascar Penguins in a Christmas Caper **3.55** Show Me What You're Made Of: UK **4.25** Hetty Feather **5.20** A Christmas Panic! **5.50** Dragons: Race to the Edge **6.15pm** FOMO Festive Replay **6.35** Horrible Histories: Horrible Christmas **7.05** Gangsta Granny: family comedy based on David Walliams's book about a law-breaking OAP, starring Julia McKenzie **8.10** Operation Ouch! **8.40–9.00pm** Book of Dragons

CITV 203

Freeview 203 **Freesat** 602 **Sky** 621 **Virgin** 734

6.00am Dino Dana **6.15** Super 4 **6.50** Dare Master **6.55** The Powerpuff Girls **7.20** Teen Titans Go! **7.50** Hotel Transylvania **8.20** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **8.55** Mr Magoo **9.55** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **10.55** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **11.50** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **12.30pm** Dare Master **12.35** Mr Magoo **1.35** Hotel Transylvania **2.30** Kung Fu Panda: the Paws of Destiny **3.00** Mr Magoo **4.00** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **5.00** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **5.25** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **6.35** Mr Magoo **7.35** Hotel Transylvania **8.05** Spy School: double bill of the game show **8.55–9.00pm** Dare Master: Danny takes on a BMX champion at the UK's national cycling centre

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Women in love

Carol ★★★★★ *All4* FREE TO VIEW

Patricia Highsmith's novel *The Price of Salt* is brought to the screen by Todd Haynes in resplendent fashion. Trapped in a marriage of convenience, uptown Cate Blanchett begins an affair with naive shop girl Rooney Mara. But this is early 1950s Manhattan and scandal beckons. With two high-calibre leads exercising coiffed poise in every fabulous-looking frame, this is a stunning masterpiece brimming with atmosphere and tenderness. It's available on C4's catch-up service until Christmas Eve. **ALAN JONES**



The home of Harry Potter

Expelliarmus! Thanks to its predilection for roaring fires, snowy landscapes and frothing mugs of butterbeer, the Harry Potter franchise has become a festive favourite. For the next two weeks, Sky Family becomes Sky Harry Potter, allowing you to muggle, ahem, "snuggle" down to watch all eight films, from soft-focus opener *The Philosopher's Stone* to the epic two-part finale, *The Deathly Hallows*. Plus, there's the latest tale from JK Rowling's Wizarding World, *Fantastic Beasts: the Crime of Grindelwald,* and a Sky special about the franchise to enjoy. Consider us spellbound. **JOSH WINNING**

A rare showing

Performance ★★★★★

11.40pm ***TCM***

This 1970 cult classic still has the power to disturb with its examination of the lifestyles of a masochistic gangster (James Fox) and a bisexual pop star (Mick Jagger). Add to that a fragmented narrative and hallucinatory images, and you have a study of sexuality and identity that remains a shattering masterpiece. **AJ**



FREEVIEW

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F'view 14 **F'sat** 300 **Sky** 313 **Virgin** 428 HD **Virgin** 429

11.00am The Last Airbender ★★ M Night Shyamalan's fantasy adventure. Noah Ringer, Jackson Rathbone, Dev Patel, Nicola Peltz (2010, PG) (S)
1.05pm Harry and the Hendersons ★★ Sentimental comedy. John Lithgow (1987, PG) (S)
3.20 Kung Fu Panda 2 ★★★ Gorgeous-looking comedy sequel that has plenty of fun action sequences. Jack Black (2011, PG) (S) (AD)
5.10pm Shrek Forever After ★★★ Shrek falls foul of Rumpelstiltskin. Mike Myers, Eddie Murphy, Cameron Diaz, Antonio Banderas (2010, U)
6.55 The Day the Earth Stood Still ★★ Spaceman Keanu Reeves arrives with a warning for humanity in this sci-fi remake. Jennifer Connelly (2008, 12) (S) (AD)
9.00 Why Him? ★★★ Bryan Cranston lives every father's nightmare in this foul-mouthed comedy. James Franco (2016, 15) (S)
11.15pm True Grit ★★★★ Riveting remake of the John Wayne manhunt western. Jeff Bridges, Matt Damon, Hailee Steinfeld (2010, 15) (S) (AD)
1.25–3.30am Evil Dead ★★★★ Smart reboot of Sam Raimi's 1981 cult horror. Jane Levy, Shiloh Fernandez, Lou Taylor Pucci (2013, 18) (S)
Film4 +1 F'view 45 **F'sat** 301 **Sky** 314 **Virgin** 430

Sony Movies 32

Freeview 32 **Freesat** 302 **Sky** 321 **Virgin** 425

9.00am My Broken Horse Christmas **9.45 The Christmas Candle** ★★ Fantasy. Hans Matheson (2013, U) **11.50 The Water Horse** ★★★★ Fantasy. Emily Watson, Alex Etel (2007, PG)
2.00pm Fly Away Home ★★★★ Drama. Jeff Daniels (1996, U) **4.10 Finding Neverland** ★★★★ Drama. Johnny Depp, Kate Winslet (2004, PG)
6.15pm Seven Years in Tibet ★★★ Adventure drama. Brad Pitt, David Thewlis (1997, PG)
9.00 Get Shorty ★★★★ Slick comedy. John Travolta, Gene Hackman, Rene Russo, Danny DeVito (1995, 15)
11.10 Layer Cake ★★★ Stylish British crime thriller. Daniel Craig, Colm Meaney (2004, 15)
1.20am The Cider House Rules ★★★★★ Period drama. Tobey Maguire, Charlize Theron, Michael Caine (1999, 12) **3.45–5.50am Christmas in Wonderland** ★★ Comedy. Patrick Swayze (2007, 12)
Sony Movies +1 F'view 60 (*limited* 10pm-5am) **Sky** 322

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F'view 40 *(limited)* **F'sat** 305 **Sky** 323 **Virgin** 426

6.00am A Man Called Django ★★★ Western. Anthony Steffen (1971) **7.50 The Fighting Lady** ★★★ Documentary. (1944, U) **9.10 Roboshark** ★★ Horror. Alexis Peterman (2015, 12) **11.00** Titanic: Secrets Revealed **1.00pm Amigo, Stay Away** ★★★ Comedy. Giuliano Gemma (1972) **3.15 Ike: Countdown to D-Day** ★★★ Drama. Tom Selleck (2004, PG) **5.00 Breaker Morant** ★★★★ Drama. Edward Woodward (1979, PG)
7.10pm Titanic 2 ★★ Disaster movie. (2010, 12)
9.00 Easy Rider ★★★★★ Cult road movie. Peter Fonda, Dennis Hopper, Jack Nicholson (1969, 18)
10.55 Half Past Dead 2 ★★ Predictably violent crime drama. Bill Goldberg, Kurupt (2007, 15)
12.45am Boston Strangler: the Untold Story ★★ Drama. (2008, 15) **2.35–4.00am Runaway** ★★ Drama. Sherry Stringfield (2014)
Sony Action +1 Sky 324

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Freeview 81 **Freesat** 306 **Sky** 328 **Virgin** 445

6.00am The Narrowing Circle ★★ Thriller. Paul Carpenter (1956) **7.20 Lure of the Wilderness** ★★ Adventure. Jean Peters (1952, U) **9.10 At the Earth's Core** ★★ Sci-fi. Doug McClure (1976, PG) **11.00** June Allyson **11.30 Next of Kin** ★★★★ Drama. Mervyn Johns (1942, PG) **1.40pm Cash on Demand** ★★★★ Thriller. Peter Cushing (1961, PG) **3.20 Beyond Christmas** ★★★ Fantasy. Harry Carey (1940, U) (S) **5.05 The Four Feathers** ★★★★★ Adventure. (1939, U)
7.20pm The Holly and the Ivy ★★ Drama. Ralph Richardson, Celia Johnson, Margaret Leighton (1952, U) (S)
9.00 Special Branch TV crime drama.
10.00 Station Six-Sahara ★★★★ Steamy drama. Carroll Baker, Peter Van Eyck (1962)
12 midnight The One That Got Away ★★★ Drama. Hardy Kruger (1957, U) **2.15am** Rock City: music compilation **4.20–6.00am Genevieve** ★★★★ Comedy. Kenneth More, John Gregson (1953, U) (S)

Premiere

Sky 301 **Virgin** 401 **BT** 501

6.00am The Ladybug As 2.15pm **7.30 The Keeper** ★★★ Football drama. David Kross, Freya Mavor (2018, 15) **9.45** As 6pm **11.45** Hotel Mumbai Special **12.15pm** As 8pm **2.15 The Ladybug** ★★ Animated adventure. Lisa Schwartz, Jon Heder (2018, PG) **3.45 Mary Queen of Scots** As 10pm
6.00pm Little ★★ A horrid tech magnate learns some life lessons in this fanciful comedy. Regina Hall, Issa Rae, Marsai Martin (2019, 12)
8.00 Bumblebee ★★★ The lovable robot stars in this fun-filled spin-off from the *Transformers* franchise. Hailee Steinfeld (2018, PG)
10.00 Mary Queen of Scots ★★★ A keen feminist slant livens up this historical drama. **Choice, p118.** Saoirse Ronan, Margot Robbie (2018, 15)
12.10am P **Domino** ★★ Thriller. Nikolaj Coster-Waldau, Guy Pearce (2019, 18) **1.45 Accident Man** ★★ Thriller. Scott Adkins (2018, 15) **3.35 The Flood** ★★ Drama. Lena Headey (2019, 15) **5.30** As 11.45am
Premiere +1 Sky 312 **Virgin** 412

Hits

Sky 303 **Virgin** 403 **BT** 503

6.50am The Pirates! In an Adventure with Scientists! ★★★★ Adventure. (2012, U) **8.25 Peter Rabbit** ★★★ Fantasy. (2017, PG) **10.05 Iron Man** ★★★★ Adventure. (2008, 12) **12.15pm Iron Man 2** ★★★ Fantasy. (2010, 12) **2.25 Iron Man Three** ★★★★ Adventure. (2013, 12)
4.40pm Fantastic Four ★★ Fantasy adventure. Ioan Gruffudd, Jessica Alba, Chris Evans, Michael Chiklis (2005, PG)
6.30 Avengers: Infinity War ★★★★ Epic-scale action extravaganza. Robert Downey Jr, Chris Evans, Chris Hemsworth, Josh Brolin (2018, 12)
9.00 Captain Marvel ★★★ Classy fantasy adventure. Brie Larson, Samuel L Jackson, Jude Law (2019, 12)
11.10 Widows ★★★★ Slick heist drama. Viola Davis, Michelle Rodriguez (2018, 15)
1.25am The Dark Knight Rises ★★★★ Epic conclusion to director Christopher Nolan's Batman trilogy. Christian Bale, Anne Hathaway, Tom Hardy (2012, 12) **4.10 The Karate Kid** ★★★ Adventure. Jackie Chan, Jaden Smith (2010, PG)

Action

Sky 307 **Virgin** 407 **BT** 507

6.00am As 3.20pm **8.00 Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice** As 5.20pm **10.35** As 8pm **1.05pm King Arthur** ★★★ Period action adventure. Clive Owen, Keira Knightley (2004, 12) **3.20 Street Fighter** ★ Action adventure. Jean-Claude Van Damme, Raul Julia, Kylie Minogue (1994, 12)
5.20pm Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice ★★★ The comic-book icons clash in the ultimate smackdown. Ben Affleck, Henry Cavill (2016, 12)
8.00 Aquaman ★★★ Jason Momoa gets his own solo outing as the rumbustious Atlantean prince. Nicole Kidman, Amber Heard (2018, 12)
10.30 Die Hard ★★★★★ A lone cop takes on a band of ruthless terrorists inside a skyscraper. Bruce Willis, Alan Rickman, Bonnie Bedelia (1988, 15)
12.45am Fast Five ★★★★ Action thriller. Vin Diesel, Paul Walker, Dwayne Johnson (2011, 12) **3.00 Fast & Furious 6** ★★ Action thriller. Vin Diesel, Paul Walker, Dwayne Johnson (2013, 12) **5.15** Sky Cinema Preview

Star Wars

Sky 302 **Virgin** 402 **BT** 502

6.00am The Clone Wars ★★ Adventure. Matt Lanter, James Arnold Taylor, Christopher Lee (2008, PG) **7.45** As 3.15pm **10.15 Episode I: the Phantom Menace** ★★★ Sci-fi. Liam Neeson, Ewan McGregor (1999, U) **12.45pm Episode II: Attack of the Clones** ★★★ Sci-fi. Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman (2002, PG)
3.15pm Episode III: Revenge of the Sith ★★★ The destiny of Anakin Skywalker is decided. Ewan McGregor, Hayden Christensen, Natalie Portman (2005, 12)
5.45 Episode IV: a New Hope ★★★★★ Luke joins Obi-Wan Kenobi in a mission to save the galaxy. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher (1977, U)
8.00 Episode V: the Empire Strikes Back ★★★★★ Luke trains to be a Jedi Knight. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher (1980, U)
10.10pm Episode VI: Return of the Jedi ★★★★ Luke Skywalker finally faces up to his destiny. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher, Billy Dee Williams (1983, U) **12.30am** As 5.45pm **2.40** As 8pm **4.50** As 10.10pm

Christmas

Sky 304 **Virgin** 410 **BT** 510

6.05am The Star As 1.30pm **7.45 A Wedding for Christmas** ★★ Romance. (2018) **9.25** As 6.20pm **11.10** As 9.45pm **1.30pm The Star** ★★ Adventure. (2017, U) **3.10 The Nutcracker and the Four Realms** ★★★ Fantasy. (2018, PG) **5.25** Tom and Jerry: a Nutcracker Tale
6.20pm The Polar Express ★★★ Fast-moving animated fantasy adventure. Tom Hanks (2004, U)
8.00 Bad Santa ★★★ Acerbic black comedy about an alcoholic safe-cracker who poses as a shopping-mall Santa. Billy Bob Thornton, Lauren Graham, Bernie Mac (2003, 15)
9.45 The Holiday ★★ Two women with man trouble arrange a house swap in this comedy. Cameron Diaz, Kate Winslet, Jude Law, Jack Black (2006, 12)
12.05am As 3.10pm **1.45** As 7.45am **3.25 A Christmas Cruise** ★★ Comedy. Vivica A Fox, Jessica Morris, Kristoff St John (2017) **5.00 I'll Be Home for Christmas** ★★ Comedy. Jonathan Taylor Thomas, Jessica Biel (1998, PG)

Musicals

Sky 308 **Virgin** 404 **BT** 504

6.10am The Muppet Movie ★★★★ Comedy adventure. Jim Henson, Frank Oz, Jerry Nelson (1979, U) **7.50 Grease** As 4pm **9.45** As 6pm **11.45 Annie** ★★★ Musical. Albert Finney, Carol Burnett (1982, U) **1.55pm Into the Woods** ★★★ Fantasy. Meryl Streep, Emily Blunt, James Corden, Johnny Depp (2014, PG)
4.00pm Grease ★★★★ John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John play teenage lovers at a 1950s high school. Stockard Channing (1978, PG)
6.00 Grease 2 ★★ Musical sequel. Michelle Pfeiffer, Maxwell Caulfield (1982, PG)
8.00 Cats Special A preview of the film based on the hit musical.
9.00 A Star Is Born ★★★★ The tragic showbiz romance is updated in a captivating extravaganza of music. Lady Gaga, Bradley Cooper (2018, 15)
11.20pm Dreamgirls ★★★ Drama full of glitz and glamour. Jamie Foxx, Beyoncé Knowles (2006, 12) **1.35am** As 6.10am **3.20 South Pacific** ★★★ Musical. Mitzi Gaynor, Rossano Brazzi (1958, U)

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Disney

Sky 305 **Virgin** 405 **BT** 505

6.00am Planes ★★★ Adventure. (2013, U) **7.40** As 4.10pm **9.40** As 6.10pm **11.30** As 9.50pm **1.15pm The Jungle Book** ★★★★★ Adventure. (1967, U) **2.40 Beauty and the Beast** ★★★★★ Fantasy. (1991, U) **4.10 Ralph Breaks the Internet** ★★★★ Adventure. (2018, PG)

6.10pm Cinderella ★★★★ Lavish retelling of the fairy tale. Lily James, Cate Blanchett, Helena Bonham Carter (2015, U)

8.00 Enchanted ★★★★ Witty part-animated romantic fantasy. Amy Adams, Patrick Dempsey, Susan Sarandon (2007, PG)

9.50 Tangled ★★★★ Fun-packed animated version of *Rapunzel*. Mandy Moore, Zachary Levi (2010, PG)

11.35 Muppet Treasure Island ★★★★ Rollicking musical version of the pirate saga. Tim Curry (1996, U)

1.25am The Princess Diaries ★★★ Comedy. Julie Andrews (2001, U) **3.25 The Emperor's New Groove** ★★★★ Comedy. David Spade (2000, U) **4.50 Lilo & Stitch** ★★★★ Sci-fi. Daveigh Chase, Christopher Michael Sanders (2002, U)

Thriller

Sky 309 **Virgin** 409 **BT** 509

6.15am As 2.45pm **8.40 The Vanishing** ★★★ Thriller. Gerard Butler, Peter Mullan, Connor Swindells (2016, 15) **10.40** As 7.05pm **12.35pm** As 9pm **2.45 Papillon** ★★★★ Period prison drama. Charlie Hunnam, Rami Malek (2017, 15) **5.10 Searching** ★★★★ Thriller. John Cho, Debra Messing (2018, 12)

7.05pm The Italian Job ★★★ A gold-bullion robbery features in this much-loved comedy caper. Michael Caine, Noël Coward (1969, PG)

9.00 The Girl in the Spider's Web ★★★ A punk vigilante takes on a sinister crime network. Claire Foy, Sverrir Gudnason, Sylvia Hoeks (2018, 15)

11.00 Extremely Wicked, Shockingly Evil and Vile ★★ Zac Efron stars as serial killer Ted Bundy. Lily Collins, Haley Joel Osment (2019, 15)

1.00am Assassination Nation ★★★ Black comedy horror. Odessa Young, Hari Nef (2018, 18) **3.00 Searching** As 5.10pm **4.50 Sam Churchill: Search for a Homeless Man** ★★ Mystery drama. John Schneider (1998)

Sci-Fi/Horror

Sky 311 **Virgin** 411 **BT** 511

6.00am Predator As 4pm **7.50** As 6pm **9.45 The Predator** As 8pm **11.45 Pacific Rim** As 10pm **2.00pm Pacific Rim: Uprising** ★★★ Sci-fi action adventure. John Boyega, Scott Eastwood (2018, 12) **4.00 Predator** ★★★★ Sci-fi action thriller. Arnold Schwarzenegger (1987, 15)

6.00pm Predator 2 ★★★ An LA cop investigating a spate of brutal murders comes face to face with the unstoppable alien hunter. Danny Glover, Gary Busey (1990, 15)

8.00 The Predator ★★★ The alien hunter returns to Earth in search of human DNA. Boyd Holbrook, Trevante Rhodes, Olivia Munn (2018, 15)

10.00 Pacific Rim ★★★ Giant robots take on alien monsters. Charlie Hunnam, Idris Elba, Rinko Kikuchi (2013, 12)

12.15am Pacific Rim: Uprising As 2pm **2.15 Starship Troopers** ★★★★ Satirical sci-fi adventure. Casper Van Dien, Denise Richards (1997, 18) **4.30** Lego DC Comics Super Heroes: Justice League – Cosmic Clash

Harry Potter

Sky 306 **Virgin** 406 **BT** 506

6.00am The Philosopher's Stone ★★★★ Fantasy. Daniel Radcliffe (2001, PG) **8.35 The Chamber of Secrets** ★★★★ Adventure. Daniel Radcliffe (2002, PG) **11.20 The Prisoner of Azkaban** ★★★★ Fantasy. Daniel Radcliffe (2004, PG) **1.45pm The Goblet of Fire** ★★★★ Adventure. Daniel Radcliffe (2005, 12)

4.25pm The Order of the Phoenix ★★★★ Hogwarts faces Dolores Umbridge. **Choice, left.** Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2007, 12)

6.45 The Half-Blood Prince ★★★★ Harry must discover a secret from the past. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson, Michael Gambon (2009, 12)

9.20 The Deathly Hallows: Part 1 ★★★ Harry, Ron and Hermione are on the run. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2010, 12)

11.45pm The Deathly Hallows: Part 2 ★★★★★ Harry and Voldemort clash for the final time. Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson, Rupert Grint (2011, 12) **1.55am** Harry Potter List Show **2.55** As 6am **5.30** As 1.55am

Comedy

Sky 310 **Virgin** 408 **BT** 508

7.25am A Little Something for Your Birthday ★★ Comedy. Sharon Stone (2017, 12) **9.15 Jingle All the Way** ★★ Comedy. (1996, PG) **10.55 Wayne's World** ★★★★ Comedy. (1992, PG) **12.40pm Wayne's World 2** ★★★ Comedy. (1993, PG) **2.30 The Grinch** ★★★ Fantasy. (2018, U)

4.10pm Rio ★★★★ A rare macaw is sent to mate with the last female. Jesse Eisenberg, Anne Hathaway (2011, U)

6.00 The School of Rock ★★★★ A guitarist passes himself off as a supply teacher. Jack Black (2003, PG)

8.00 Tropic Thunder ★★★★ Actors are plunged into a war zone. Ben Stiller, Jack Black, Robert Downey Jr (2008, 15)

9.55 Little Monsters ★★★★ Irreverent comedy horror. Lupita Nyong'o, Alexander England, Josh Gad (2019, 15)

11.35pm Anna and the Apocalypse ★★★ Teens deal with a zombie outbreak. Ella Hunt, Malcolm Cumming (2017, 15) **1.15am Deuce Bigalow: Male Gigolo** ★★ Comedy. Rob Schneider (1999, 15) **2.45** As 10.55am **4.25** As 12.40pm

TCM Movies

Sky 315 **Virgin** 415 **BT** 512 **HD** **Virgin** 416

6.00am Off Set **6.10 The Tall T** ★★★★ (1957, PG) **7.50 Black Horse Canyon** ★★ **9.40 The Lusty Men** ★★★ **12 noon Sherlock Holmes and the Secret Weapon** ★★★ **1.30pm Sherlock Holmes and the Voice of Terror** ★★ **3.00 Sherlock Holmes Faces Death** ★★★ (1943, U)

4.35pm Sherlock Holmes in Washington ★★ Mystery. Basil Rathbone, Nigel Bruce, Marjorie Lord (1943, U)

6.10 The Pearl of Death ★★★ Gripping Sherlock Holmes mystery. Basil Rathbone, Nigel Bruce (1944, PG)

7.40 The House of Fear ★★ Mystery. Basil Rathbone, Nigel Bruce (1944, U)

9.00 Unforgiven ★★★★★ Magnificent, Oscar-winning western. Clint Eastwood, Gene Hackman, Morgan Freeman, Richard Harris (1992, 15)

11.40pm Performance ★★★★★ Drama. **Choice, left.** (1970, 18) **1.55am Fort Massacre** ★★ Western. (1958, PG) **3.30** Close Up **4.30** Hollywood's Best Film Directors **5.00** As 3.30am

TCM Movies +1 **Sky** 316 **Virgin** 417

SPORT



NFL *1.00am* ***Sky Action/ Main Event*** Kirk Cousins is ready to launch a Viking raid

Sky Main Event

Sky 401 **Virgin** 511 **BT** 402 **HD** **Virgin** 501 **BT** 437

6.00am Good Morning Sports Fans **10.00** Football Centre **11.30** Ref Watch **12 noon** Sky Sports News **12.30pm LIVE World Darts** The opening session on day 11 of the PDC World Championship at Alexandra Palace, featuring three third-round matches. **4.30** Sky Sports News **7.00 LIVE World Darts** The evening session on day 11 at the PDC World Championship. **11.00** NBA: the Warm Up **12 midnight** Sky Sports News **1.00am LIVE NFL** Minnesota Vikings v Green Bay Packers, the NFC showdown from US Bank Stadium (kick-off **1.15**). **5.00–6.00am** Sky Sports News

Sky Football

Sky 403 **Virgin** 513 **HD** **Virgin** 503

6.00am Championship Highlights **7.00** SPFL Greatest Games **7.30** Championship Highlights **9.00** SPFL Round-Up **9.15** Championship Highlights **9.30** League One and Two Goals **10.00** Euro 2020 Qualifiers: a day of highlights from across Europe **7.30pm LIVE Football League** Blackburn Rovers v Wigan Athletic, a Championship clash from Ewood Park (kick-off **7.45**). **10.00** SPFL Round-Up **10.15** Championship Highlights **11.00** League One and Two Goals **11.30** SPFL Highlights **12 midnight** Championship Highlights **2.00** SPFL Greatest Games **2.30** One2Eleven (AD) **3.00** Classic Play-Off Finals **4.00** EFL Greatest Games **4.30** Football Countdowns (AD) **5.00** Football's Greatest Players (AD) **5.30–6.00am** Football Years (AD)

Sky Golf

Sky 405 **Virgin** 515 **HD** **Virgin** 505

6.00am European Tour Golf: a day of highlights from this year's tour **6.00pm** Golfer of the Decade: the Sky Sports team select their ultimate champion of the last ten years **8.00** Feherty: End of Season Review **9.00** European Tour Golf **10.00** Feherty: End of Season Review **11.00–6.00am** European Tour Golf

Eurosport 1

Sky 410 **Virgin** 521 **BT** 412 **HD** **BT** 435

7.20am Watts **7.30** Triathlon **8.00** Alpine Skiing **10.00** Biathlon **11.00** Ski Jumping **12 noon** Alpine Skiing **1.00pm** Climbing **3.00** Cycling **5.00** Cyclo-Cross **6.00** Athletics **7.30** Alpine Skiing **9.30** Cyclo-Cross **10.30** Swimming **12.40–7.00am** Watts

Sky Premier League

Sky 402 **Virgin** 512 **HD** **Virgin** 502

6.00am Premier League Years (AD) **8.00** Goals on Sunday **9.30** Premier League Highlights **10.30** Soccerbox **11.00** We're Not Really Here: Man City **11.30** The Tyler Archives **12 noon** Premier League Highlights **4.00pm** Best of 2018/19 **6.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **6.30** Premier League Legends: Alan Shearer (AD) **7.00** Premier League Review **8.00** Christmas Crackers **9.00** Premier League Review **10.00** Class of 92: Full Time: following Salford City FC **2.00am** Premier League Years (AD) **4.00** Best Goals **5.30–6.00am** 100 Club: England's Finest (AD)

Sky Cricket

Sky 404 **Virgin** 514 **HD** **Virgin** 504

6.00am Best of England v Windies **7.00** Cricket's Greatest Games (AD) **8.00** Best of England v Windies **9.00** Cricket's Greatest Games (AD) **10.00** Cricket World Cup: a look back at New Zealand's 2019 campaign **8.00pm** Cricket World Cup: bitesize highlights from the 2019 tournament **9.15** Best of England v South Africa **10.00** KP: Story of a Genius **10.30** Best of Sky Cricket (AD) **10.45** Cricket World Cup: 2019 action **12 midnight** How the 2015 World Cup Was Won (AD) **2.00am** Cricket's Greatest Games (AD) **3.00** Best of England v Windies **4.00** Cricket's Greatest Games (AD) **5.00–6.00am** Best of England v Windies

Sky Action

Sky 407 **Virgin** 517 **HD** **Virgin** 507

6.00am NFL: America's Game (AD) **7.00** Wrestling **8.00** Women's NBA **9.30** NFL Roundtable **10.00** NFL **6.00pm** Pro-Football Talk **8.00** NFL **9.00** Great Sporting Moments (AD) **9.15** NBA **12 midnight** NFL **1.00am LIVE NFL** Minnesota Vikings v Green Bay Packers, coverage of the NFC clash from US Bank Stadium (kick-off **1.15**). **5.00** Great Sporting Moments (AD) **5.30–6.00am** NFL Roundtable

Sky Darts

Sky 408 **Virgin** 518 **HD** **Virgin** 508

6.00am Darts Gold **7.15** Legends of Darts (AD) **8.00** World Darts **12 noon** Darts Gold (AD) **12.30pm LIVE World Darts** The opening session on day 11 of the PDC World Championship at Alexandra Palace, featuring three third-round matches. **4.30** Darts Gold (AD) **6.30** Darts Top 5 Moments **7.00 LIVE World Darts** The evening session on day 11 at the PDC World Darts Championship, featuring three matches from the first round. **11.00** Darts Gold **1.00** World Darts **5.00–6.00am** Darts Gold

Eurosport 2

Sky 411 **Virgin** 522 **BT** 413 **HD** **BT** 436

7.00am Motor Racing **8.00** Cliff Diving **9.00** Snowboarding **10.00** Swimming **12 noon** Formula E: Race to Change **1.00pm** Cyclo-Cross **2.00** Snooker **4.00** Alpine Skiing **5.05 LIVE Alpine Skiing** The men's parallel giant slalom from Alta Badia in Italy. **7.00** Climbing **9.00** Alpine Skiing **10.00** Freestyle Skiing **11.00** Snowboarding **12 midnight** Freestyle Skiing **1.00am** Judo **1.30** Golf **2.00** Alpine Skiing **3.00** Motocross **4.00–6.00am** Superbikes

BT Sport 1

Sky 413 **Virgin** 527 **BT** 408 **HD** **BT** 430

6.00am T20 Cricket **8.00 LIVE T20 Cricket** Adelaide Strikers v Perth Scorchers, the Big Bash League. **11.15** The Outdoor Sports Show (AD) **11.45** Champions League Football: Stories of the Finals **12 noon** Premier League Review **1.00pm** Rugby Union: Premiership highlights **3.30** The Football Archives: 1981/82 (AD) **4.00** T20 Cricket **5.00** Early Kick-Off **5.30** Premier League Review **6.30** Premier League World **7.00** Scottish Football **7.15** Champions League Football: Stories of the Finals: Chelsea v Bayern Munich from 2012 **7.30** French Football: recent action from Ligue 1 **8.30** German Football **9.30** Goals Reload **10.00** BT Sport Score Best Bits **10.30** Early Kick-Off **11.00** The Football Archives: 1982/83 (AD) **11.30** The Football Archives: 1983/84 (AD) **12 midnight** The Football Archives: 1984/85 (AD) **12.30am** The Football Archives: 1985/86 (AD) **1.00** Premier League World **1.30** Fishing (AD) **2.30** T20 Cricket **3.30–7.00am LIVE T20 Cricket** Hobart Hurricanes v Melbourne Renegades, the Big Bash League clash from Blundstone Arena.

BT Sport 2

Sky 414 **Virgin** 528 **BT** 409 **HD** **BT** 431

6.00am The Outdoor Sports Show (AD) **6.30** Non-League Football **7.00** Premier League Review **8.00** Premier League **9.30** Scottish Football **10.30** Non-League Football **12 noon** Italian Football: Super Cup **1.30pm** French Football: highlights **2.30** Boxing: Daniel Dubois v Kyotaro Fujimoto, from London's Copper Box **4.30** Rugby Union: highlights **7.00** T20 Cricket **8.00** Australian Football: highlights **9.00** Fishing: On the Bank (AD) **10.00** Rugby Union **10.45** Yachting (AD) **11.15** Scottish Football **11.30** Poker **1.30am** Rugby Union: highlights **4.00–6.00am** 30 for 30: Bad Boys (AD)

BT Sport 3

Sky 417 **Virgin** 529 **BT** 410 **HD** **BT** 432

6.00am German Football: extended highlights from the weekend's games **5.00pm** French Football: highlights **6.00** German Football Show: a round-up of the latest action from the Bundesliga, including Bayern Munich v Wolfsburg, RB Leipzig v Augsburg and Hoffenheim v Borussia Dortmund **7.00** Sailing to Tokyo: sailors prepare for the 2020 Olympic Games (AD) **7.30 LIVE American Football** The Gasparilla Bowl from Tampa. **11.00** French Football: highlights **12 midnight–6.00am** German Football: Bundesliga action

BT Sport ESPN

Sky 423 **Virgin** 530 **BT** 411 **HD** **BT** 434

7.00am BT Sport Reload **7.15** ESPN FC **7.45** Saturdays in the South (AD) **9.15** Basketball **11.00** ESPN FC **11.30** American Football **5.30pm** ESPN FC: **6.00** Basketball: action from Ball State Cardinals v Washington Huskies and UTEP Miners v Hawaii Rainbow Warriors **9.30 LIVE Basketball** A college game from the US. **11.30** American Football **12 midnight LIVE Basketball** Another US college showdown. **2.00am** BT Sport Reload **2.15** Basketball **4.00–6.00am LIVE Basketball** More action from the US colleges.

Monday Television

FIRST WEEK

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Christmas Eve



CHRISTMAS CHILLER
Peter Capaldi is a formidable prosecutor in this MR James tale

PICK OF THE DAY

Martin's Close *10.00pm* ***BBC4***

DRAMA *A Ghost Story for Christmas* was a cosy Christmas Eve (or thereabouts) tradition during the 1970s, with adaptations mainly of stories by the master himself, MR James. Here's hoping the delicious delights of a good scare on a dark winter night will be revived by Mark Gatiss's version of James's short story, *Martin's Close*.

It's a brief slice of creepiness, but it packs a few shudders and oozes an atmosphere of pulsing fear as the young, well-to-do John Martin (Wilf Scolding) faces trial for murder in 1684, in front of infamous real-life gibbet-happy "hanging" judge, George Jeffreys.

Peter Capaldi is prosecutor Dolben, who outlines a terrible tale of murder by an entitled young man who clearly thought he could trifle with the affections of a simple-minded country girl, Ann Clark. Best watch it with the lights off, while nursing a glass of port. **ALISON GRAHAM**

The Tiger Who Came to Tea

7.30pm ***C4***

ANIMATION Sometimes less is more. Yes, there are a couple of short fantasy sequences and a song by Robbie Williams, but otherwise the animators have brought to life Judith Kerr's illustrations with respectful simplicity. Everyone has their favourite moment in this tale of a girl and her mum being visited by a ravenous feline. As a child I loved the huge orange paw curling around the front door. Unsurprisingly, Kerr approved of what she saw of the film before she died in May: it's warm and happy, and as such is a glowing tribute. **MARK BRAXTON**

The Last Igloo

7.30pm ***BBC4***

DOCUMENTARY Amid the Arctic wastes, an igloo, lit from within, glows like a pearl while the aurora borealis dances overhead. It's a beautiful sight but, sadly, one that's under threat. Greenland is getting warmer and the ice is melting, which could end the traditional way of Inuit life.

This beautiful 90-minute film, a Slow TV classic, follows 40-year-old hunter Julius as he sets out on his sled with his dogs, to catch seals and to fish. It's hard, dangerous work – Julius's brother never returned from a hunt – as Julius, armed only with a pointy stick and a knife, sets his traps and builds his igloo shelter. **AG**

Child Genius v Celebrities

8.00pm ***C4***

ENTERTAINMENT Richard Osman hosts the annual pro v celebrity contest, where "pro" in this case stands for prodigy. Four of the quiz series' alumni take on celebs to see whether the latter's greying grey matter can cut it against the best.

Last year Jimmy Carr led his team to victory and he returns as captain with back-up from a cerebral supergroup of comedian Jo Brand, presenter Richard Bacon and radio host Vick Hope. Facing them in tests of spelling, maths and general knowledge will be memory whizz Dan (ten); Fabio (12), a Latin scholar and chess champion; and regulars Rahul and Nishi – teenagers with IQs higher than Einstein's. **DAVID BUTCHER**

Cinderella: After Ever After

8.00pm ***Sky 1***

COMEDY David Walliams co-writes and stars in a fairy-tale sequel aimed squarely at kids who enjoyed his books, and overgrown kids who secretly enjoyed reading along. He's Prince Charming, a vain berk whose disdain for his new bride Cinderella (Sian Gibson, excellent as always) is soon mutual. But the main antagonist is still Cinders's wicked stepmother (Celia Imrie), who schemes to take over Fairyland.

It's deliberately silly and the script is paper-thin, but the luxury cast make it work. Tom Courtenay is fun as an extremely absent-minded king, while Kevin Bishop is the voice of Buttons, a mouse. **JACK SEALE**

Children's Choices

CBeebies Hansel and Gretel *9.00am* ***BBC1***

Another chance to see this year's big CBeebies Christmas show, filmed in Edinburgh and featuring a host of viewer favourites – including, for the first time, Waffle the Wonder Dog. The classic fairy tale is a winter adventure with the moral "never give up"; parents will enjoy the 1980s stylings in the production.

Frozen *3.00pm* ***BBC1***

Released on Thanksgiving 2013, Walt Disney has been giving thanks for *Frozen* ever since. The family-friendly musical spin on Hans Christian Andersen's *The Snow Queen* remains the highest-grossing animated film of all time, threatened only by *Frozen II*. Elsa's kingdom is cursed into an eternal winter, whereby her heart must be thawed by an "act of true love". There's no villain but buckets of old-fashioned wiseacre Disney charm in the shape of melty Olaf.



A Christmas Carol

9.00pm ***BBC1***

DRAMA To say this reimagined version of everyone's favourite Christmas story will divide people is an understatement. I'm sure some would-be viewers will find the sexual storylines and regular swearing just too much to bear; they'll see it as defiling a classic. For me, Steven Knight's horror-tinged script breathes new life (and death) into the story – but it's certainly not an easy watch.

One scene tonight featuring Tiny Tim (Lenny Rush) in peril is brilliantly visualised, in a suitably nightmarish way. And I love the way Guy Pearce does Scrooge's whining self-justification, though as he starts to see the error of his ways, there are at last signs of hope. **DB**

See feature: page 21

Not Going Out

10.00pm ***BBC1***

SITCOM Traditionally, Christmas sitcoms have a template as rigid as nougat. Our hero – a dad, usually – must get hold of some vital toy on Christmas Eve, with time running out and stocks running low. The fragile edifice of the family's Christmas depends on this, as does the dad's sense of being a good parent.

This special sticks lovingly to the formula, with both Lee (Lee Mack) and Lucy (Sally Bretton) going on a quest for an inflatable Santa Claus that involves robbers, a car chase, a country phone box, a kindly lorry driver (or is he?) and that old staple of 1970s sitcomland, the field with an angry bull. **DB**

See feature: page 24

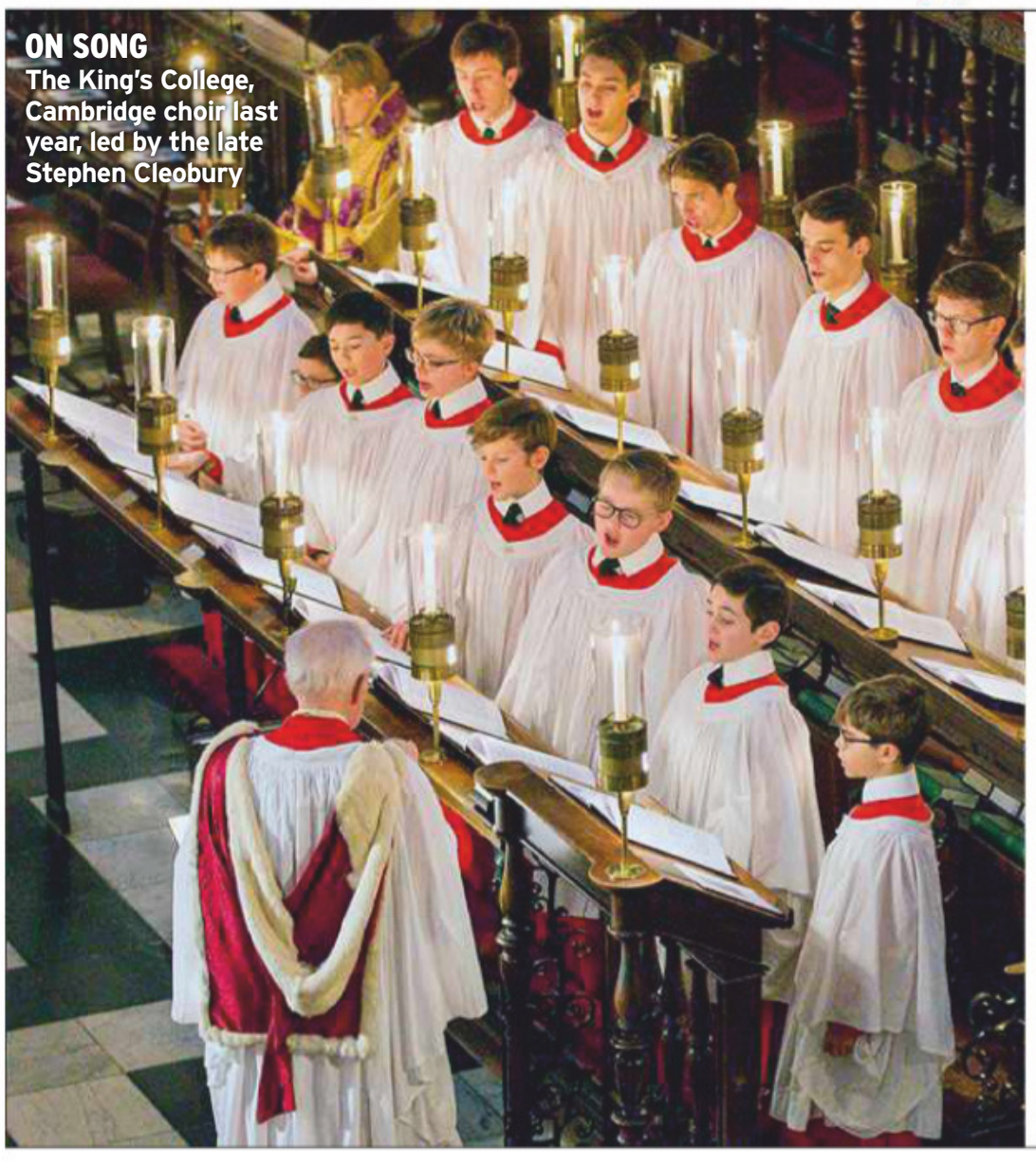
QI: Quizmas

10.00pm ***BBC2***

QUIZ If you're the sort of person who prefers the Christmas crackers that include little trivia facts alongside the jokes, you'll find no better seasonal treat than this festive edition of *QI*.

Taking part in the "Quizmas" celebrations alongside host Sandi Toksvig are Josh Widdicombe, Johnny Vegas and Sara Pascoe, with the action occasionally shifting away from straight questions and answers into a broad quizzing overview, including some major pub quiz disagreements sent in by viewers.

And of course, the episode kicks off with a "gift" of a question for regular panellist Alan Davies, which will be a real treat for long-time viewers. **HUW FULLERTON**



ON SONG The King's College, Cambridge choir last year, led by the late Stephen Cleobury

Carols from King's

5.00pm ***BBC2***

MUSIC When the boy chorister fills the ancient walls and vaults of King's College, Cambridge with the first verse of *Once in Royal David's City*, it feels like a punctuation point of the year – and the real start of Christmas.

There's a certain sadness this time, following the death in November of longstanding music director Stephen Cleobury. (This year, Daniel Hyde takes charge for the first time.) But many of Cleobury's arrangements can be heard in tonight's line-up, which includes *O Little Town of Bethlehem*, *Away in a Manger* and (my two favourites) the *Sussex* and *Coventry Carols*, alongside lessons that recount the quiet, radical majesty of this most beautiful of stories.

If that's not enough for you, you can also catch Midnight Mass from Croydon Minster – or, in Scotland, a Christmas Celebration from St John's Kirk, Perth – on BBC1 later. **BEN DOWELL**

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Secrets of British Animation

iPlayer (expires today)

A 2018 documentary that's as quirky as the eccentric classics it remembers. Famous names such as Roobarb and Morph get their dues, but the programme lauds pioneers as far back as Victorian times. All of them made up in ingenuity what they sometimes lacked in production budgets.



A Grand Night In: the Story of Aardman

iPlayer (expires today)

Complete an evening of animated fun with this profile of the company that brought us Shaun the Sheep, Wallace and Gromit, and many more claymation heroes. Julie Walters narrates, with Martin Freeman among the Aardman veterans contributing. **JS**

BEST LIVE SPORT

■ **Darts: World Championship** *from 12 noon* ***Sky Darts*** The best action from the opening rounds at London's Alexandra Palace.

■ **Golfer of the Decade** *1pm* ***Sky Main Event*** The experts reflect on the past ten years and crown the greatest golfer.

■ **American Football: Hawaii Bowl** *1am (k/o 1am)* ***ESPN*** US college action as BYU Cougars face Hawaii Rainbow Warriors.

FILMS OF THE DAY

Beauty and the Beast/Unforgiven

5.30pm ***BBC1/****10.00pm* ***ITV4***

A fairy-tale remake and an Oscar-winning western.

See pages 75 and 77

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Christmas Eve

DAYTIME

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast Presented by Louise Minchin and Naga Munchetty. Carol Kirkwood presents the weather from Gloucester Cathedral, with carols from a choir. (S) (HD)

9.00 CBeebies Hansel and Gretel The fairy tale with a 1980s twist. **Children's choice, p131.** (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

9.45 The Gruffalo Animation based on the children's picture book by Julia Donaldson. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

10.15 The Gruffalo's Child Sequel to the animated adaptation of *The Gruffalo*. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

10.40 Kung Fu Panda 3 ★★★ Animated comedy adventure featuring the voices of Jack Black, Angelina Jolie and Dustin Hoffman.
Directors Alessandro Carloni and Jennifer Yuh Nelson (2016, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD) Also showing Boxing Day 6.05pm CBBC

12.05pm Animal Park The run up to Christmas at Longleat, including the birth of two Amur tigers. (S) (HD)

1.00 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

1.25–3.00 Toy Story 3 ★★★★★ Animated comedy adventure sequel, with the voices of Tom Hanks and Tim Allen. The toys are put away when Andy goes to college, but Woody is set apart, and it's up to him to rescue the others when they are accidentally donated to a day-care centre and face new trials. **Review page 75.** Director Lee Unkrich (2010, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

BBC2

6.00am–7.00 Sign Zone MasterChef: the Professionals The first three hopefuls are challenged to re-create Marcus's crab omelette Arnold Bennett. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

7.00 Pilgrimage: the Road to Rome Eight celebrities take a pilgrimage to Rome to meet the Pope.
8.00 The pilgrims visit the hot springs at Bagno Vignoni.
9.00 Pope Francis agrees to an audience. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 Christmas at St Paul's A rare look behind the scenes at St Paul's Cathedral. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

11.05 Albert Finney: Talking Pictures A retrospective of the actor's TV appearances. (R) (S)

11.40 Murder on the Orient Express ★★★★ Murder mystery based on the novel by Agatha Christie, starring Albert Finney and an all-star cast. An exotic array of characters boards the famed Orient Express in Istanbul, including Hercule Poirot. **Review page 75.** Director Sidney Lumet (1974, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

1.45–4.00pm Death on the Nile ★★★ Murder mystery based on Agatha Christie's novel, starring Peter Ustinov, David Niven and Bette Davis. Belgian detective Hercule Poirot investigates the murder of spoilt heiress Linnet Ridgeway. **Review page 75.** Director John Guillermin (1978, PG) (S) (W)

ITV

6.00am Good Morning Britain (S) (HD)

8.30 Lorraine Guests, gossip and more. (S) (HD)

9.25 Midsomer Murders Sauce for the Goose A tour of Plummer's famous relish factory ends in tragedy for one of the visitors. (R) (S) (AD)

11.20 You've Been Framed! Harry Hill presents a batch of blunders captured on camera. (R) (S) (HD)

12.25pm ITV News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

12.40–2.40pm The Grinch ★★★★ Comedy fantasy starring Jim Carrey. It's Christmas in Whoville and preparations are well under way. Meanwhile, up in his mountain lair, cold-hearted hermit the Grinch sits alone resenting the Whovians' happiness. **Review p75.**
Director Ron Howard (2000, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

Channel 4

6.20am Rugrats in Paris: the Movie ★★★ Animated comedy adventure featuring the lovable infants in the City of Light.
Directors Stig Bergqvist and Paul Demeyer (2000, U) (S) (W) (HD)

7.40 The Simpsons Three episodes. (R) (S) (AD)

9.05 Hotel for Dogs ★★★ Comedy starring Emma Roberts, Jake T Austin and Don Cheadle. A pair of orphaned children open a refuge for stray dogs.
Director Thor Freudenthal (2008, U) (S) (W) (HD)

11.05 Small Soldiers ★★★ Fantasy action adventure about toys that come to life, with Kirsten Dunst, Gregory Smith and the voice of Tommy Lee Jones.
Director Joe Dante (1998, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

1.10–3.15pm A Christmas Carol ★★★ TV-movie version of the classic Charles Dickens tale, starring George C Scott and Nigel Davenport.
Director Clive Donner (1984, U) (S) (HD)

BBC1



Beauty and the Beast *5.30pm* Disney's live-action remake of its own animation of the classic fairy tale

3.00pm Frozen ★★★★

Disney animated adventure. Princesses Elsa and Anna are forced to grow up swiftly when their parents, the king and queen of Arendelle, are lost at sea. **Review page 75; Children's choice, p131.**

Featuring the voices of:

Anna	**Kristen Bell**	Olaf	**Josh Gad**
Elsa	**Idina Menzel**	Hans	**Santino Fontana**
Kristoff	**Jonathan Groff**	Duke of Weselton	**Alan Tudyk**

Directors Chris Buck and Jennifer Lee (2013, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

4.35 Wallace & Gromit: The Wrong Trousers

The Oscar-winning animation sees the duo fall victim to villainous penguin Feathers McGraw. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

5.05 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

5.30 Beauty and the Beast ★★★★

P Fantasy adventure. The bookish daughter of a clockmaker embarks on a quest when her father becomes lost in the woods, and discovers a Gothic castle that is home to a fearsome beast and his magically cursed servants. Can Belle learn to love the beast and break the spell? **Film of the Day: p75.**

Belle	**Emma Watson**	Maurice	**Kevin Kline**
Beast/Prince Adam	**Dan Stevens**	Lumiere	**Ewan McGregor**
Gaston	**Luke Evans**	Mrs Potts	**Emma Thompson**
LeFou	**Josh Gad**	Cogsworth	**Ian McKellen**

Director Bill Condon (2017, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

7.30 EastEnders

Linda falls off the wagon and Martin is in a panic.
Writer Lauren Klee Cast pp170/240 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Take Off with Bradley and Holly

Bradley Walsh and Holly Willoughby present an entertainment show that offers lucky audience members the chance to win a trip to Lapland.
Director Simon Staffurth; Series producer Jordan Read
Repeated Boxing Day 12.50am (S) (HD)

9.00 A Christmas Carol

RT ***3/3.*** After the Spirit of Christmas Present reminds him of the humanity he forsook and the Spirit of Christmas Future reveals the desolate fate that awaits him, Scrooge has to confront the cruel consequences of his actions and decide whether to repent. **See p131.**
For cast see page 112 (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 Not Going Out

RT **Driving Home for Christmas.** Lucy's wallet and mobile phone are stolen while she and Lee are doing some last-minute shopping. **See page 131.**

Lee	**Lee Mack**	Benji	**Max Pattison**
Lucy	**Sally Bretton**	Charlie	**Finley Southby**
Frank	**Bobby Ball**	Thief	**Danny-Boy Hatchard**
Geoffrey	**Geoffrey Whitehead**	Toy shop security guard	**Jaz Hutchins**
Wendy	**Deborah Grant**	Policeman	**Jamie Kenna**
Molly	**Francesca Newman**	Lorry driver	**Christopher Sciueref**

Writers Danny Peak and Lee Mack; Director Nick Wood
Producer Jamie Rix Repeated tomorrow 11.55pm (S) (HD)
See feature: page 24

10.40 The Vicar of Dibley

Winter. Alice suggests an unconventional Nativity play.
Writers Paul Mayhew-Archer and Richard Curtis; Director Gareth Carrivick; Producers Margot Gavan Duffy and Jon Plowman (R) (S)

11.25 BBC News Weather (S) (HD)

Followed by **National Lottery Update** (S)

11.40 Midnight Mass from Croydon Minster

RT The Rev Dr Andrew Bishop leads the service and the preacher is the Bishop of Croydon, the Rt Rev Jonathan Clark. **See page 131.**
Director/Producer Jonathan Haswell (S) (HD)
The Reverend Richard Coles: page 59

12.55am Made in Dagenham ★★★★ Comedy drama based on a true story, starring Sally Hawkins. **Review page 77.** Director Nigel Cole (2010, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

2.45 Weather (S) (HD) **2.50–6.00am BBC News** (S) (HD)

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BBC2



Gareth Malone's Christmas Concert *9.00pm* The choirmaster puts on a show for diligent NHS staff

4.00pm A Merry Tudor Christmas with Lucy Worsley

Lucy Worsley re-creates how Christmas would have been celebrated during the age of Henry VIII.
Director Peter Sweasey Shown last Friday (S) (AD) (HD)

5.00 Carols from King's

RT The traditional celebration of Christmas from the candlelit Chapel of King's College, Cambridge opens with a single chorister singing *Once in Royal David's City*. The choir continues, directed by Daniel Hyde, with carols old and new, including *The Sussex Carol*, *There Is No Rose* and *O Holy Night*. The service is led by the Dean, the Rev Stephen Cherry and Chaplain, the Rev Andrew Hammond. **See p131.**
Director/Series producer Pamela Hossick
Repeated tomorrow 8.40am (S) (HD)

6.20 The Morecambe and Wise Show: the Lost Tapes

1/2. Found and restored, these black-and-white episodes featuring Eric and Ernie on their return to the BBC in 1968 were not broadcast for 50 years. (R) (S) (HD)
7.00 ***2/2.*** Ronnie Carroll joins Eric and Ernies in two sketches and sings *Once upon a Time*. Kenny Ball plays *Samantha* from *High Society*. (R) (S) (HD)

7.30 Christmas University Challenge

2/10 *Series 9.* In the second match Birmingham City University graduates actor Carole Boyd and gardener Bunny Guinness play Wadham College, Oxford graduates, journalists Anne McElvoy and Jonathan Freedland for a place in the semi finals. (S) (HD)

8.00 Dragons' Den: Pitches to Riches?

Angela Scanlon finds out what happened to some of the most memorable businesses and entrepreneurs to have faced the Dragons over past series. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Gareth Malone's Christmas Concert

The choirmaster is invited by the chief executive of the busy Watford General Hospital to put on a special Christmas concert for her hard-pressed staff.
Director Matt Rudge; Producers Matt Rudge and Emma Parsons
Repeated tomorrow 1.30pm (S) (HD)

10.00 QI: Quizmas

RT Sandi Toksvig tests Johnny Vegas, Sara Pascoe, Josh Widdicombe and Alan Davies's grasp of arcane facts and practices. **See page 131.**
Director Diccon Ramsay; Series producers Piers Fletcher and John Lloyd Extended repeat Friday 27 December 11.15pm (S) (HD)

10.30 I'll Get This

Shirley Ballas, Joel Dommett, Maura Higgins, Gregg Wallace and Les Dennis play over Christmas dinner.
Director Marcus Liversedge; Series producer Breid McLoone
Shown last Thursday (S) (HD)

11.15 Great Expectations ★★

Adaptation of Charles Dickens's classic novel, starring Jeremy Irvine, Ralph Fiennes and Helena Bonham Carter. When orphan Pip has a terrifying encounter with an escaped convict, it's the start of a journey that will change his life. **Review p77.**
Director Mike Newell (2012, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.15am Tamara Drewe ★★★ Comedy drama starring Gemma Arterton, Dominic Cooper and Luke Evans. When a beautiful and charming newspaper columnist returns to the sleepy Dorset village where she grew up to fix up her family home, it's not long before her presence stirs up the local menfolk. **Review page 77.**
Director Stephen Frears (2010, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

3.00–5.45am Sign Zone 3.00 The Hairy Bikers Home for Christmas With guest Aled Jones. Shown last Friday (S) (HD)
3.45 Holby City Kian takes matters into his own hands when Bea requires surgery. Shown last Thursday BBC1 (S) (AD) (HD)
4.45 The Baby Has Landed ***3/4.*** The families find new ways to cope as the dads go back to work. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

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ITV

The Jonathan Ross Show
9.00pm Pop star Rita Ora joins the genial host for a Christmas chat



2.40pm Santa Claus ★★
Comedy starring Dudley Moore and John Lithgow. After creating havoc at the North Pole, Patch, one of Santa's elves, heads for New York to make a name for himself.
Director Jeannot Szwarc (1985, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

4.45 ITV News Weather (S) (HD)

4.55 Regional News Weather (S) (HD)

5.15 Elf ★★★★
Comedy fantasy. Raised by Santa's helpers at the North Pole, human infant Buddy matures into a strapping adult and outgrows his surroundings. When he becomes determined to find his real father, Buddy embarks on an exciting trip to New York. **Review page 75.**

Buddy	**Will Ferrell**	Santa	**Edward Asner**
Walter	**James Caan**	Emily	**Mary Steenburgen**
Papa Elf	**Bob Newhart**	Jovie	**Zooey Deschanel**

Director Jon Favreau (2003, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
Also showing tomorrow 4.10pm ITV2

7.00 Emmerdale
Kim's blood runs cold and Nate feels isolated.
Writer Karin Young Cast pp231/241
Repeated tomorrow 6.50am ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

7.30 The Chase: Bloopers 2019
Bradley Walsh delivers a Christmas compendium of the most memorable out-takes, blunders and double entendres from the teatime quiz.
Repeated tomorrow 3.40pm (S) (HD)

8.30 Coronation Street
Gary frees Derek from his bonds.
Writer Jonathan Harvey Cast pp123/201
Repeated tomorrow 7.10am ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 The Jonathan Ross Show
In his Christmas show, Jonathan talks to actors David Tennant and David Oyelowo, pop star Rita Ora, TV presenter Rylan Clark-Neal, jazz musician Jamie Cullum, comedian Bec Hill and former *X Factor* judge Sharon Osbourne.
Executive producer Bea Ballard; Series editor Tom Barrett
Repeated Boxing Day 11.30pm (S) (HD)

10.05 Not the Robbie Williams Christmas Show
In this special recorded at London's Alexandra Palace Theatre, Robbie Williams performs some classic hits and Christmas songs, and welcomes guests Jamie Cullum and David Walliams.
Director/Producer Julia Knowles (R) (S) (HD)

11.05 ITV News
Weather; Regional Weather (S) (HD)

11.20 The Keith and Paddy Picture Show
Messrs Lemon and McGuinness remake *Gremlins* on a fraction of the budget of the 1980s hit. Zach Galligan, Les Dennis and Su Pollard help out.
Executive producer Leon Wilson (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

11.50 Carols at Christmas
Myleene Klass leads the congregation of St Elisabeth's Church in Greater Manchester. Featuring music from KT Tunstall, Collabro, Mark Kingswood and Marisha Wallace.
Producers Sue Longmire and Catherine Morgan
Executive producer Ceri Aston (S) (HD)

12.45am Casino Royale ★★★ James Bond spoof, starring David Niven, Peter Sellers and Ursula Andress. **Review page 77.**
Directors John Huston, Ken Hughes, Val Guest, Robert Parrish and Joe McGrath (1967, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

2.55 Tenable Quiz with Warwick Davis. (R) (S) (HD)
3.40–5.00am Nightscreen Text information. (HD)

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Channel 4

Child Genius vs Celebrities
8.00pm The junior brains trust is ready to outwit their famous foes



3.15pm Father Christmas
Animation based on the book by Raymond Briggs.
Director Dave Unwin; Producer John Coates (R) (S) (AD)

3.50 The Snowman
Atmospheric and poignant animation.
Director Dianne Jackson; Producer John Coates (R) (S) (AD)

4.20 The Snowman and the Snowdog
Charming animated sequel to *The Snowman*.
Director Hilary Audus; Producers Camilla Deakin and Ruth Fielding (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

4.55 Ice Age: A Mammoth Christmas
In a spin-off from the *Ice Age* films, Sid ruins one of Manny's Christmas traditions. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

5.20 Channel 4 News; Sport; Weather (S) (HD)

5.30 Home Alone ★★★★
Comedy. Eight-year-old Kevin McCallister's wish to be free of his family is realised when they accidentally set off without him for a Christmas break in Paris. **Review page 77.**

Kevin McCallister	**Macaulay Culkin**	Peter	**John Heard**
Harry	**Joe Pesci**	Marley	**Roberts Blossom**
Marv	**Daniel Stern**	Kate	**Catherine O'Hara**

Director Chris Columbus (1990, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
Home Alone 2: Lost in New York tomorrow 4.55pm

7.30 The Tiger Who Came to Tea
RT Adapted from Judith Kerr's enchanting picture book, this fantastical, hand-drawn animated adventure reveals what happens when a tea-guzzling tiger arrives unannounced at Sophie and her mum's home. **See page 130.**

Narrator	**David Walliams**	Daddy	**Benedict Cumberbatch**
Tiger	**David Oyelowo**	Mummy	**Tamsin Greig**
Sophie	**Clara Ross**	Milkman	**Paul Whitehouse**

Dramatised by Joanna Harrison; Producers Ruth Fielding and Camilla Deakin; Director Robin Shaw Rptd tomorrow 1.50pm C4 and Boxing Day 6.25pm 4seven and 1pm C4 (S) (AD) (HD)
See feature: page 17

8.00 Child Genius vs Celebrities
RT Jimmy Carr hopes to repeat last year's victory as he captains Jo Brand, Richard Bacon and Vick Hope. His team faces four formidable former competitors – ten-year-old spelling star Dan, Latin scholar and chess champion Fabio, 12, and two teenagers with IQs higher than Albert Einstein's – Rahul and Nishi. **See page 130.**
Series producer Martha Constable; Exec producer Melissa Brown
Rptd 12.10am 4seven and New Year's Day 10.15am C4 (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Gogglebox 2019
A chance to see some of the best moments from the recent series as the TV reviewers share their instant reactions to programmes such as *First Dates Hotel*, *Game of Thrones* and *Line of Duty*.
Executive producer Tania Alexander Rptd Friday 27 December 10.30pm C4 and Boxing Day 9pm 4seven (S) (AD) (HD)

10.55 Eight out of Ten Cats Does Countdown Christmas Special
Bob Mortimer and Lucy Beaumont guest.
Shown yesterday 9pm (S) (HD)

12 midnight The Inbetweeners *1/6* *Series 2*
The infamous field trip to Swanage approaches.
12.35am *3/6.* Will's dinner clashes with another do.
1.00 *4/6.* The lads have a night out clubbing.
1.30 *6/6.* Will becomes stressed about exams.
2.00 *3/6* *Series 1.* Simon passes his driving test.
2.25 *5/6.* Can Jay convince the boys that a caravan-club meeting is like a massive orgy? (R) (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)
2.50 The Inbetweeners: Fwends Reunited The cast members celebrate the sitcom. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
4.35 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA The Lido Di Manhattan restaurant in California. (R) (S)
5.25–5.30am Kirstie's Handmade Treasures Kirstie makes a winter version of a popular drink. (R) (S) (HD)

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BBC4

Martin's Close
10.00pm Dolben takes part in a murder trial that involves peculiar happenings



7.00pm James May: the Christmas Reassembler
Hornby Train Set. On Christmas Day 1972, James received a gift that ignited his passion for all things mechanical. Now he reassembles that present – a Hornby Flying Scotsman train set.
Series producer Dan Lewis; Executive producers Stuart Cabb and Will Daws (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

7.30 The Last Igloo
RT A day in the life of an Inuit hunter in Greenland, as he travels through the Arctic landscape with his dog sled, fishes through the sea ice and builds an igloo. Now used by Inuit hunters as shelters rather than homes, these ice structures may disappear due to climate change. **See page 130.**
Director Christian Collerton
Producer Adam Simons (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Top of the Pops Christmas Hits
Chart-toppers from festive episodes of the music show, including a recently rediscovered 1967 performance by the Rolling Stones and a number of perennial Christmas classics.
Producer Dione Newton
Executive producer Mark Cooper (R) (S) (HD)

10.00 Martin's Close
RT A dramatisation of MR James's short story by Mark Gatiss. In 1684 John Martin is on trial before the notorious "hanging judge" George Jeffries for the murder of an innocent girl. But this is no straightforward case because the girl has been seen after her death. **See page 130.**

Dolben	**Peter Capaldi**
Judge Jeffreys	**Elliot Levey**
John Martin	**Wilf Scolding**
Sarah Arscott	**Sara Crowe**
Thomas Snell	**James Holmes**
Ann Clark	**Jessica Temple**
Stanton	**Simon Williams**
William	**Fisayo Akinade**
Hosier	**Ian Hallard**

Producer Isibeal Ballance
Director Mark Gatiss (S) (AD) (HD)

10.30 The Turn of the Screw
Henry James's chilling ghost story is given a 1920s makeover in this dramatisation by Sandy Welch. A young governess is sent to a country house to take charge of two orphans, but is unsettled by a sense of evil.

Ann	**Michelle Dockery**
Sarah Grose	**Sue Johnston**
Dr Fisher	**Dan Stevens**
Carla	**Nicola Walker**
Flora	**Eva Sayer**
Miles	**Josef Lindsay**
Master	**Mark Umbers**
Professor	**Corin Redgrave**
Baines	**Wendy Albiston**

Producer Colin Wratten
Director Tim Fywell First shown on BBC1 (S) (AD) (HD)

12 midnight The Lost Ghost Story with Mark Gatiss The actor examines the life and career of MR James. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
1.00am TOTP2 Christmas Special 2013 Festive favourites. First shown on BBC2 (S) (HD)
2.30–3.50am Nothing like a Dame With Judi Dench, Maggie Smith, Joan Plowright and Eileen Atkins. **See choice, page 101.**
Shown Saturday 21 December 7pm (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)

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Regional variations

BBC1 SCOTLAND
11.40pm Christmas Celebration: Sally Magnusson introduces carols and readings from St John's Kirk, Perth **12.25–12.55am** The Goes Wrong Show

BBC SCOTLAND
As BBC2 until:
7.00pm The Seven **7.15** Rewind 1990s **7.30** The Snow Queen **8.55** Beginning **9.00** Still Game **9.30** Two Doors Down **10.00** Breaking the News **10.30** Ed Byrne: Spoiler Alert **11.30–12 midnight** The Quay Sessions

STV
2.55–5.00am Nightscreen

BBC2 WALES
10.30pm The Return of the Yuletide Kid: comedy starring Craig Roberts **11.30** Live at the Apollo **12.15am** I'll Get This **1.00–1.15** Grand Tours of Scotland

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Christmas Eve

Channel 5 5



The Wonderful World of Chocolate *8.00pm* Emma and Mark Baravelli

Freeview 5 **Freesat** 105 **Sky** 105 **Virgin** 105
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6.00am Milkshake! See page 137

9.05 Rugby Union Action from the Premiership. Shown yesterday 12.20am (S) (HD)

10.00 Grounded ★★ Comedy. Six stranded teenagers turn an airport terminal building into a playground. Director Paul Feig (2006, PG) (S) (W)

11.50 Friends Phoebe causes havoc on the set of Joey's TV show. (S) (HD)

12.20pm *New.* Neighbours Repeated 6.35pm (S) (AD) (HD)

12.45 Seven Brides for Seven Brothers ★★★★★ Musical starring Howard Keel and Jane Powell. When a rancher brings his new wife home, she discovers she has to look after his unruly brothers. Director Stanley Donen (1954, U) (S) (W) (HD)

2.55pm My Fair Lady ★★★★★ Musical based on George Bernard Shaw's *Pygmalion*. Henry Higgins, a professor of phonetics, bets a friend that he can coach a cockney flower girl to pass as a lady. **Review page 75.**

Eliza Doolittle	**Audrey Hepburn**
Professor Henry Higgins	**Rex Harrison**
Alfred P Doolittle	**Stanley Holloway**
Colonel Hugh Pickering	**Wilfrid Hyde White**
Mrs Higgins	**Gladys Cooper**

Director George Cukor (1964, U) (S) (W) (HD)

6.35 Neighbours David prepares for his kidney transplant. Shown 12.20pm (S) (AD) (HD)

7.00 The Yorkshire Vet: Winter on the Moors Julian Norton and Peter Wright battle the elements to treat owls and cattle. Directors/Producers David Terry, Laura Blair (S) (AD) (HD)
Followed by **5 News Update** (S) (HD)

8.00 *New.* The Wonderful World of Chocolate Fortnum & Mason's confectionary department has a chocolate-themed refit. Directors/Producers Al Edirisinghe, Dom Longmuir, Emma Westwood Rptd Monday 12.15am (S) (HD)
Followed by **5 News Update** (S) (HD)

9.00 *New.* Cruising with Jane McDonald The singer boards the *Coastal Express* to experience a Nordic Christmas. After seeing the world's largest gingerbread city in Bergen, Jane dips into Scandanavia's largest natural aquarium. Producer David Kirkham; Series producer Ray Easmon Repeated Monday 4.35pm (S) (HD)
RT TRAVEL Sail the seas with RT Travel: visit radiotimes.com/RTcruises

10.00 Celebrity Carols at Christmas A celebration of carols sung by choirs from across the country. Shown Sunday 5.10pm (S) (HD)

12.05am Santa Makes You LOL (S) (HD) **12.55** Access (S) (HD) **1.00 *New.*** Casino (S) (HD) **3.00** Access (S) (HD) **3.15** NCIS: New Orleans (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00 FILM** Happy Gilmore ★★ Sports comedy (S) (W) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** House Doctor (S) (SL)

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ITV2 6



The Holiday *8.00pm* Graham and Amanda find romance in Surrey

F'view 6 **F'sat** 113 **Sky** 118 **Virgin** 115 **HD** **Virgin** 176

6.00am The Planet's Funniest Animals (S) **6.20** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **7.10** You've Been Framed Gold at Christmas! (S) **7.35** You've Been Framed! At Christmas (S) **8.00** Emmerdale (S) (AD) (HD) **8.30** Coronation Street (S) (AD) (HD) **9.30** In for a Christmas Penny (S) (AD) (HD) **10.15** Shrek the Halls (S) (AD) (HD) **10.45 FILM** The Santa Clause 3: the Escape Clause ★★★ (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.35pm Emmerdale Shown yesterday 7pm ITV (S) (AD) (HD) **1.05** Coronation Street Shown yesterday 7.30/8.30pm ITV (S) (AD) (HD) **2.05 *New.*** The Ellen DeGeneres Show: with Kim Kardashian West (S) (HD) **3.00 FILM** Peter Pan ★★★ Fantasy action adventure (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **5.10** Catchphrase Christmas (S) (HD)

6.15pm Four Christmases ★★ Comedy starring Reese Witherspoon and Vince Vaughn. The potent mix of Christmas and relations presents a special challenge for Kate and Brad. **Review p81.** Director Seth Gordon (2008, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

8.00 The Holiday ★★ Romantic comedy starring Cameron Diaz, Kate Winslet, Jude Law and Jack Black. Amanda needs a holiday. An online search persuades her to exchange her California home over Christmas for the Surrey cottage of journalist Iris. **Review p89.** Director Nancy Meyers (2006, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

10.40 Family Guy *Series 9.* Stewie visits the North Pole to teach Santa a lesson. (S) (AD) (HD) **11.15** The pressures of the festive season have taken their toll on Santa. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.50 American Dad! *Series 7.* Stan gives Steve a gun. (S) (AD) (HD) **12.20am** *Series 12.* Steve rubs shoulders with troublemakers. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.45 Celebrity Juice (S) (HD) **1.45** Family Guy (S) (AD) (HD) **2.15 FILM** Trainwreck ★★★★ Comedy starring Amy Schumer (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **4.25** Educating Joey Essex: What Are You Sleighing? (S) (HD) **5.15** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **5.40–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

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ITV4 24

F'view 24 **F'sat** 117 **Sky** 120 **Virgin** 118 **HD** **Virgin** 178

6.00am World of Sport: Footballing Upsets (S) (HD) **6.10** Fifth Gear (S) (HD) **7.00 *New.*** British Touring Cars (S) (AD) (HD) **8.50** Silverstone Classic (S) (HD) **9.55** Goodwood Members Meeting (S) (HD) **10.55** Columbo: Death Hits the Jackpot (S) (AD) (HD)

1.00pm The Chase (S) (HD) **2.00 FILM** Lawman ★★ Western (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **4.05 FILM** The Cowboys ★★ Western (S) (W) (HD)

6.45pm FILM The Alamo ★★★★ Epic historical western, directed by and starring John Wayne, also starring Richard Widmark. A band of Texans battle to defend a Spanish mission from Mexican troops. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

10.00 FILM Unforgiven ★★★★★ Oscar-winning western directed by and starring Clint Eastwood. Following his wife's death, former gunfighter William Munny is tempted back to his old ways. **Film of the Day: p77** (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.35am The Professionals (S) (AD) **1.35** The Protectors (S) (SL) **2.10** Bad Move: two episodes (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** The Americans (S) (HD) **3.50** Nightscreen (HD) **4.15** Minder (S) (SL) (AD) **5.10–6.00am** The Sweeney (S) (SL)

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ITV3 10



Agatha Christie's Poirot *5.40pm* The sleuth attends a Christmas reunion

F'view 10 **F'sat** 115 **Sky** 119 **Virgin** 117 **HD** **Virgin** 177

6.00am The Royal (S) (AD) (HD) **7.45** Meet the Penguins (S) (HD) **8.50** The Sound of Music Live! (S) (HD) **11.30** The Making of the Sound of Music Live! (S) (HD)

12 noon Inspector Morse: double bill (S) (HD)

4.30pm Agatha Christie's Poirot How Does Your Garden Grow? The sleuth becomes the centre of attention at the Chelsea Flower Show when a rose is named in his honour. When an elderly lady he meets there is later found dead, Poirot suspects foul play. (S) (HD)

5.40 Hercule Poirot's Christmas When Simeon Lee, patriarch of a dysfunctional family, summons his offspring to a reunion, he employs Poirot to attend the event. The old man's sadism soon becomes apparent, as he delights in pitting his children against each other. When Lee has his throat cut, Poirot sets out to solve the mystery. (S) (HD)

Hercule Poirot	**David Suchet**
Captain Arthur Hastings	**Philip Jackson**
Simeon Lee	**Vernon Dobtcheff**
Alfred Lee	**Simon Roberts**
Lydia Lee	**Catherine Rabett**
George Lee	**Eric Carte**
Magdelene Lee	**Andree Bernard**
Harry Lee	**Brian Gwaspari**

8.00 Vera *2/4 Series 5.* **Old Wounds.** After the remains of a teenage girl are found half-buried in a wood, DCI Vera Stanhope and her team have to investigate a 30-year-old mystery. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 *3/4.* Muddy Waters DCI Stanhope and her team investigate the mysterious death of a man found floating in the slurry pit of a remote Northumberland farm. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.05am A Touch of Frost: the apparent accidental death of a drug addict takes a surprising turn, and Jack finds himself confronting his own chequered past (S) (HD) **2.10** Inspector Morse: double bill (S) (HD) **5.50–6.00am** Nightscreen

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F'view 26 **F'sat** 118 **Sky** 131 **Virgin** 119 **HD** **Virgin** 179

6.00am Bring It! (HD) **7.35** The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills (S) (HD) **8.30** Income Property (S) (HD) **9.00** LittleBe (HD)

12 noon Cake Wars (S) (HD) **12.55pm** Celebrity Christmas Dinner Date (S) (HD) **1.55** Dinner Date: four editions (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm Dinner Date Abi from Essex picks three blind dates from five menus. (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00 Celebrity Dinner Date** Amber Davies chooses three men to date. (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** Featuring Joe Swash. (S) (HD) **9.00 Totally Unbelievable** Counting down eye-popping celebrity fashion fails. (S) (HD) **10.00 *New.* Marriage Boot Camp: Reality Stars** The couples sweat it out during a difficult lie-detector test. (S) (HD) **11.00 Botched** Surgeon Terry Dubrow treats a woman who has breast problems, and also assists a bodybuilder. (S) (AD) (HD)

12 midnight The Real Housewives of Potomac (S) (AD) (HD) **12.55am** Mob Wives: the Last Stand (S) (HD) **1.40** Vanderpump Rules (S) (HD) **2.30** Vanderpump Rules (S) (HD) **3.15** Bachelor in Paradise **5.30–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

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Drama 20



Father Brown *8.00pm* The priest heads to a local army barracks

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7.10am Birds of a Feather **7.40** Soldier Soldier (S) **9.40** Classic Holby City **10.40** The Bill (S) **12.40pm** Classic EastEnders **2.00** Call the Midwife: three episodes (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm Call the Midwife *6/8 Series 4.* A diabetic teenager faces a tough time after falling pregnant, especially given her boyfriend's criminal past. A case of petty theft brings a group of Irish travellers to the attention of the midwives, while Fred asks Violet to attend a fundraising dance with him. (S) (AD) (HD)

7.20 As Time Goes By Jean and Lionel are eager for Sandy and Harry's return from Canada, Patrick looks for his dad and Jean craves grandchildren.

8.00 Father Brown *4/15 Series 3.* **The Sign of the Broken Sword** When a murder is committed at the local army barracks, the priest's investigation leads him to another death, at Dunkirk, some 13 years previously. (S) (AD) (HD)

Father Brown	**Mark Williams**
Mrs McCarthy	**Sorcha Cusack**
Lady Felicia	**Nancy Carroll**
Sid Carter	**Alex Price**
Inspector Sullivan	**Tom Chambers**

9.00 Death in Paradise *4/8 Series 5.* **A Personal Murder.** After Dwayne receives a highly unexpected text at the funeral of his mentor Cedrik Verga, he decides to investigate whether the most loved man on the island could in fact have been murdered. Away from work, Humphrey tries to prove to Florence that his culinary skills are good enough to capture a woman's heart. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.20 Silent Witness *4/5 Series 19.* **In Plain Sight.** The Lyell team investigate when the accidental shooting of a teenager in an armed police operation sparks a series of murders. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.45am The White Princess (S) (AD) (HD) **2.15–4.00am** The Heart Guy (HD)

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F'view 19 **F'sat** 157 **Sky** 111 **Virgin** 127 **HD** **Virgin** 227 **BT** 387

7.20am Modern Wheels or Classic Steals (S) (HD) **7.45** Soapbox Race (HD) **8.40** Expedition with Steve Backshall (S) (AD) (HD) **9.40** Top Gear: Winter Blunderland (AD) (HD) **10.40** Top Gear: Africa Special (S) (AD) (HD)

1.20pm Top Gear Winter Olympics Special (S) (AD) **2.20** Top Gear: Burma Special (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00 *New.*** Top Gear: Top Fails: a look back at the show's spectacular fails (AD)

6.00pm Soapbox Race The Brazil event. (HD) **7.00 World's Most Dangerous Roads** The Ho Chi Minh Trail in Southeast Asia. (S) (HD) **8.00 QI** A festive special with Cariad Lloyd, Josh Widdicombe and Noel Fielding. (HD) **9.00 Would I Lie to You?** Double bill. (S) **10.20 Mock the Week** A festive special from 2017 with Dara O Briain and Hugh Dennis. (HD) **11.00 Taskmaster *6/10*** *Series 6.* The contestants face challenges involving snowglobes and rubber ducks. (S) (HD)

12 midnight Have I Got a Bit More News for You (S) (HD) **1.00am** QI: Pubs (HD) **2.15** Would I Lie to You? (S) **2.45** Would I Lie to You? – the Unseen Bits (S) **3.20–4.00am** Mock the Week (HD)

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Christmas Eve

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White Christmas *5.45pm* Putting on a show at the Columbia Inn

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8.55am A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun (S) (HD) **9.55 FILM** The Jewel of the Nile ★★★★ Adventure starring Michael Douglas (S) (HD) Also showing Saturday 28 December 11.30am

12 noon The Supervet: Christmas in the Clinic (S) (HD) **12.55pm** Come Dine with Me Celebrity Christmas Special (S) (HD) **3.35** Escape to the Château (S) (AD) (HD)

5.45pm White Christmas ★★★★★
Musical starring Bing Crosby and Danny Kaye. Old army buddies Phil Davis and Bob Wallace travel to the Columbia Inn in Vermont. **Review p73.**
Director Michael Curtiz (1954, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD) Also showing tomorrow 9.10am

8.00 Britain's Best Loved Sitcoms
Celebrating 50 years of sitcoms. (S) (HD)

9.00 Father Ted
Ted wins the coveted Golden Cleric award.
10.15 *4/10 Series 2.* Dougal is led astray.
10.50 *5/10.* The Eurosong contest.
11.20 *6/10.* Bishop Brennan visits.
11.50 *7/10.* A feminist singer takes over Father Ted's house. (S) (AD)

12.20am Small, Far Away: the World of Father Ted (S) (HD) **1.25** Britain's Best Loved Sitcoms (S) (HD) **2.30–3.50am** Father Ted (S) (AD)

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6.00am Rude(ish) Tube Shorts **6.10** Melissa & Joey **7.00** Baby Daddy **7.30** Don't Tell the Bride: Let It Snow! **8.30 FILM** A Royal Winter ★★ Romantic drama (W) **10.20 FILM** Doctor Dolittle ★★★ Fantasy comedy (W)

12 noon The Big Bang Theory (AD) **1.00pm** The Goldbergs (AD) **2.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine (AD) **3.00** The Big Bang Theory (AD)

6.00pm We're Going on a Bear Hunt
Animated adventure based on Michael Rosen and Helen Oxenbury's book. (AD)
6.30 The Art of The Snowman and the Snowdog The making of the animated film.
6.40 The Great Christmas Bake Off Four bakers from previous series take part. (AD)
8.00 FILM Ice Age: the Meltdown ★★★ Animated comedy sequel featuring the voices of Ray Romano and John Leguizamo. (W)
9.45 FILM Breaking Dawn Part Two ★★★ Romantic horror fantasy, the final film in Stephenie Meyer's *Twilight* saga, starring Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson. (AD) (W)
12.05am Gogglebox: Celebrity Special for SU2C (AD) **1.05** Gogglebox (SL) (AD) **2.10** Naked Attraction (AD) **3.10** First Dates Abroad **4.05** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **4.55–6.00am** ***New.*** School of Rock First shown on Nickelodeon

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9.00am Come Dine with Me **12 noon** Escape to the Château: DIY (AD) **2.00pm** A Place in the Sun: Home or Away **3.00** A Place in the Sun: Summer Sun **4.00** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun **5.00** A Place in the Sun: Summer Sun **6.00** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun **7.00** Kirstie's Handmade Christmas (AD) **8.00** Father Christmas (AD) **8.35** The Snowman and the Snowdog (AD) **9.00 FILM** Office Christmas Party ★★★ **Review p72** (AD) **11.10** Celebrity Crystal Maze **See choice, p121** (AD) **12.10am** Child Genius vs Celebrities (AD) **1.20** The Secret World of Toys at Christmas (AD) **2.30–5.00am** Come Dine with Me Christmas

Paramount Network 54



Moulin Rouge! *9.00pm* The beautiful Satine captures Christian's heart

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9.00am Access (S) (HD) **9.10** The Office US (HD) **9.40** Now That's Funny! (S) (HD) **11.50 FILM** Christmas in Conway ★★ Drama (HD)
1.50pm FILM A Nutcracker Christmas ★★ Drama starring Amy Acker (HD) **3.40 FILM** Mr Christmas ★★ Romantic drama starring Sam Page (HD) **5.25 FILM** Christmas Joy ★★ Romance with Danielle Panabaker (HD)

7.10pm A Gingerbread Romance ★★
Romance with Tia Mowry-Hardrict.
Director Richard Gabai (2018) (HD)

9.00 Moulin Rouge! ★★★★
Musical romantic drama starring Nicole Kidman and Ewan McGregor. Montmartre, 1899: Christian, a young Englishman, arrives in Paris with ambitions to become a writer. **Review p77.**
Director Baz Luhrmann (2001, 12) (HD)

11.30 Strictly Ballroom ★★★★★
Romantic comedy drama starring Paul Mercurio and Tara Morice. The staid world of regional ballroom dancing in Australia is scandalised when Scott Hastings becomes determined to break with tradition and devise his own steps.
Director Baz Luhrmann (1992, PG) (HD)

1.25am Sleepy Hollow (HD) **3.25** Arrow (HD) **5.00** Neighbours (S) (AD) (HD) **5.30** Access (S) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** The Office US (HD)

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7.00am Caught Red Handed **9.00** Road Wars **4.00pm** Air Ambulance ER: triple bill. A doctor's trauma skills are tested **5.00** A mother and daughter are involved in a motorcycle crash **6.00** A car plummets 30ft into a ravine **7.00 FILM** The Most Wonderful Time of the Year ★★ Romantic drama starring Brooke Burns, in which a snowstorm and a cancelled flight leads to unexpected romance (W) **9.00** Billy Elliot the Musical Live: recording of the stage musical based on the film about a working class boy battling parental disapproval to become a ballet dancer **12 midnight** Brit Cops: War on Crime **4.00am** Road Wars **5.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol

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Sony Channel 48

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6.00am The Waltons **7.00** Agatha Christie's Sparkling Cyanide **9.00 FILM** Agatha Christie's A Caribbean Mystery ★★ **11.00** Hart to Hart **3.00pm** Murder, She Wrote: four back-to-back episodes **7.00** M*A*S*H: four episodes **9.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? **12 midnight** M*A*S*H **2.00am** Hart to Hart **3.00** M*A*S*H **3.30** The Waltons **4.20** Touched by an Angel **5.10–6.00am** Highway to Heaven

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Horror Channel 70

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8.00am seaQuest DSV **9.00** Star Trek: Voyager **10.00** Star Trek **11.00 FILM** Tremors II: Aftershocks ★★★ Comedy horror **1.00pm FILM** Tremors 3: Back to Perfection ★★ Horror comedy starring Michael Gross **3.00** Sliders **4.00 FILM** Guardians of the Tomb ★★ Action adventure. English, Mandarin +subtitles **5.50** Highlights **6.00pm** Star Trek **7.00** Star Trek: Voyager **8.00** Mutant X **9.00 FILM** Child's Play 2 ★★ Horror **10.40 FILM** Child's Play 3 ★ Horror **12.25am FILM** P2 ★★ Horror thriller starring Wes Bentley **2.25 FILM** Dr Terror's House of Horrors ★★★ Horror **4.20–4.30am** Highlights

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9.00am Access **9.10** Criminals: Caught on Camera (S) **9.35** CSI: NY (S) **11.20** CSI: Miami (S) **12.20pm** Murder, She Wrote (S) **2.25** Columbo: Double Shock (S) **4.00** Columbo: the Most Crucial Game (S) **5.35** Columbo: the Greenhouse Jungle (S) (AD) **7.05** NCIS: Los Angeles *Series 4.* An unlikely allegiance is formed (S) **8.00** NCIS *Series 14.* Double bill. The team investigates a fellow agent's disappearance in Argentina, then a bomb plot is uncovered following a death at a Quantico reunion (S) **10.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit *Series 16* (S) (AD) **12.50am** CSI: Miami (S) (AD) **3.50–4.00am** Access

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8.00am Access **8.10** 3rd Rock from the Sun (S) (HD) **8.35** Will & Grace: ten episodes (S) **1.05pm FILM** Northpole ★★ Fantasy (S) **2.55 FILM** Deck the Halls ★★ Comedy with Danny DeVito and Matthew Broderick (S) **4.50 FILM** The Three Musketeers ★★★ Swashbuckling adventure starring Logan Lerman (S) **7.00 FILM** Bulletproof Monk ★ Fantasy action adventure starring Chow Yun-Fat and Seann William Scot (S) **9.00 FILM** The Night Before ★★★ Comedy starring Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Seth Rogen and Anthony Mackie (S) **11.10 FILM** Krampus ★★★ Comedy horror starring Adam Scott and Toni Collette (S)

1.05am Greatest Ever Christmas Movie Blunders (S) **2.05** Santa Makes You Laugh Out Loud **3.00–4.00am** Wentworth Prison (S)

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5 Spike 31

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9.00am Access (HD) **9.10** Criminals: Caught on Camera (HD) **9.45** Police Interceptors (HD) **11.45** Traffic Cops (HD) **12.45pm** Trucking Hell (HD) **5.45** Fights, Camera, Action!: confrontations filmed by people at the centre of the action (AD) (HD) **6.45 FILM** U-571 ★★★ Second World War action thriller starring Matthew McConaughey (HD) **9.00 FILM** Chaos ★★ Action thriller starring Jason Statham (HD) **11.15** Fights, Camera, Action! (AD) (HD) **12.15am** The Virginian: Men from Shiloh (HD) **1.55** Criminals Caught on Camera (HD) **2.55–3.00am** Access (HD)

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Freeview 55 Freesat 133 Sky 159 Virgin 152

9.00am Access (S) **9.05** Cruising With Jane McDonald (S) **11.05** The Dog Rescuers (S) **12.10pm FILM** Season's Greetings ★★ Comedy starring Laura Bell Bundy and Casey Manderson (S) (W) **2.00** GPs: behind Closed Doors (S) (AD) **4.00** The Yorkshire Vet (S) **8.00** The Yorkshire Vet: 12 Days of Christmas for Help the Animals (S) **9.00** Abba: When All Is Said and Done (S) **11.00** Britain's Favourite Abba Songs (S) **12.35am** On Benefits: Britain's Benefit Blackspots (S) **1.35** World War II in Colour **2.35** CSI: Miami (S) (AD) **3.25** Criminals: Caught on Camera (S) **3.50–4.00am** Access: showbiz news (S)

CBS Justice 39

Freeview 39 Freesat 137 Sky 148 Virgin 192

9.00am Diagnosis Murder **11.00** Matlock **12 noon** Perry Mason (BW) **1.05pm** Walker, Texas Ranger **2.05** CSI: Miami **3.00** NCIS **5.00** Matlock **6.00pm** Perry Mason **7.05** NCIS **8.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **9.00** CSI: NY **10.00** NCIS **12 midnight** CSI: Miami **1.00am** CSI: NY: a sleepwalker is accused of murder **2.00** Gunsmoke **3.05** Bonanza **4.50–6.00am** Mission: Impossible

CBS Drama 71

Freeview 71 Freesat 134 Sky 147 Virgin 197

9.00am Medium **10.00** ER **11.00** The Love Boat **12 noon** Judge Judy **1.00pm** Bonanza **3.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **4.00** Unsolved Mysteries **6.00pm** The Love Boat **7.00** JAG **8.00** Judge Judy **9.00** Medium: Allison's brother Michael gets a job on a psychic hotline **10.00** CSI: Miami **11.00** The Love Boat **12 midnight** Judge Judy **1.00am** ER **2.00** Medium **3.00** CSI: Miami **4.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **5.00–6.00am** Unsolved Mysteries

Listings for **PBS America**, **Smithsonian** see over. **Film4** and other **Freeview movie** channels: **p138**

Yesterday 25

Freeview 25 Freesat 159 Sky 155 Virgin 129

6.00am WW2 Price of Empire (S) (HD) **8.00** The World at War (S) (HD) **11.00** Planet Earth II: eight back-to-back editions (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00pm** Underground Worlds: exploring Sweden's passion for subterranean spaces (S) (HD) **8.00** Abandoned Engineering: a seemingly endless concrete line stretching through the French countryside (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Bangers and Cash: a rare 1980s Sierra Cosworth draws in a crowd of admiring fans (S) (HD) **10.00** Train Truckers: Eric Harrison and Chris Case move an iconic Deltic diesel (S) (HD) **11.00** Steam Train Britain (S) (AD) (HD) **12 midnight** War Factories (S) (HD) **1.00–3.00am** World's Greatest Palaces (S) (AD) (HD)

Yesterday +1 Sky 255 Virgin 200

Really 17

Freeview 17 Freesat 160 Sky 142 Virgin 128

6.00am Homes under the Hammer (HD) **7.00** Home Shopping **8.00** Fantasy Homes by the Sea: with Michelle Ackerley (HD) **9.00** Antiques Road Trip: 12 back-to-back editions of the series (HD) **9.00pm** Helicopter ER: Critical Hour: an air ambulance team and paramedics reveal all as they make dramatic rescues (HD) **10.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad: officer Rich makes a disturbing discovery (HD) **11.00** Ghost Adventures: Zak Bagans comes face to face with an evil doll (HD) **12 midnight** Unexplained: Caught on Camera (HD) **1.00am** Help! My House Is Haunted (HD) **2.00** Shopping **4.00–6.00am** Antiques Road Trip (HD)

Home 42

Freeview 42 Freesat 166 Sky 158 Virgin 279

7.00am Escape to the Country: 11 editions of the series following families, couples and individuals as they search for their perfect homes **6.00pm** Escape to the Country: six editions. Aled Jones helps a couple find a home in Dorset **7.00** A couple search for a home in the Wiltshire and Hampshire area **8.00** Surrey couple Alistair and Debbie want to buy a dream home in Devon **9.00** Denise Nurse travels to Norfolk to find a house for a Southampton couple **10.00** A retired couple search for a country house in north Wales **11.00** A couple search for a home with character in Oxfordshire **12 midnight–4.00am** Escape to the Country

Home +1 Sky 258 Virgin 283

Quest 12

F'view 12 F'sat 172 Sky 144 Virgin 169 HD F'view 114 F'sat 167

6.00am Aussie Gold Hunters: 13 editions of the series following hard-core crews of gold prospectors in Western Australia (HD) **7.00pm** World's Deepest Goldmine: an insight into the hazardous conditions facing underground workers at Mponeng mine in South Africa **8.00** Salvage Hunters: Drew Pritchard scours Holland for scrap items (HD) **9.00** When Dinosaurs Roamed America: how fossils found in America have provided scientists with evidence of previously unknown species (HD) **11.00** How Do They Do It?: double bill. The casting of bells for cathedrals, then the production of espresso coffee (HD) **12 midnight** Wheeler Dealers (AD) (HD) **1.00am** Chasing Classic Cars (HD) **2.00** Wheels That Fail (HD) **3.00** Destroyed in Seconds **4.00** Swamp Loggers (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Overhaulin'

Quest +1 F'view 76 (7pm-4am) F'sat 168 Sky 244 Virgin 213

Challenge 46

Freeview 46 Freesat 146 Sky 151 Virgin 164

7.00am Bruce's Price Is Right **12 noon** The Chase **4.00pm** TV's Greatest Gameshows: Roy Walker is joined by celebs and past competitors to explore what makes game shows great **6.00** The Chase Celebrity Special (AD) **9.00** The Chase: Bradley Walsh presents as four contestants answer general knowledge questions and work as a team to take on the Chaser **10.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire: double bill (AD) **12 midnight** Bullseye **4.30–6.00am** Winter Wipeout

Challenge +1 Freesat 147 Sky 251 Virgin 230

BBC Parliament 232

Freeview 232 Freesat 201 Sky 504 Virgin 605

6.00am Highlights **9.30** Reflections **10.00** BOOKtalk **10.15** Scottish Questions **11.00** Bercow **11.30** Lectures **12 noon** Highlights **1.00pm** BOOKtalk **1.15** Prime Properties **1.25** Reflections **1.55** Highlights **2.55** Booktalk **3.10** Lectures **3.40** Welsh Questions **4.40** BOOKtalk **4.55** Reflections **5.25** Highlights **6.25** BOOKtalk **6.40** Lectures **7.10** Highlights **8.10** BOOKtalk **8.25** Reflections **8.55** Highlights **9.25** Mayor's Questions **10.25** BOOKtalk **10.40** Prime Properties **10.50** Lectures **11.20–6.00am** Highlights

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The Lego Movie *4.30pm* Is Emmet really "the Special?"

Sky 1

Sky 106 **Virgin** 110 **HD** **Virgin** 109

6.00am Futurama (S) (AD) (HD) **6.30** Modern Family (S) (HD) **7.00** Moominvalley (HD) **8.00** Aliens Love Underpants and Panta Claus (HD) **8.30** Ratburger (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** Harry Potter: a Who's Who of the Wizarding World (HD) **11.00** The Simpsons (HD) **1.00pm** ***New.*** Moominvalley (HD) **1.30** It's Christmas Live from the Royal Albert Hall (HD) **3.30** The Christmas Letter (HD) **4.00** How to Train Your Dragon: Homecoming (HD) **4.30 FILM** The Lego Movie ★★★★ (W) (HD) **6.30** The Simpsons (HD)

7.30pm ***New.*** **The Simpsons** Sideshow Bob gets a new job. (HD)

8.00 ***New.*** **Cinderella: After Ever After** RT Family comedy starring Sian Gibson. **See p130.** (S) (HD)

9.00 Planes, Trains and Automobiles ★★★★ Comedy starring Steve Martin. **Review p77.** (W) (HD)

11.00 The Reluctant Landlord (HD)

11.30 A League of Their Own's Christmas Holiday (HD)

12.30am The Late Late Show with James Corden: Best of 2019 (HD) **1.30** A League of Their Own Christmas Party 2018 (HD) **2.30** A League of Their Own Christmas Special (S) (AD) (HD) **4.30** Road Wars (S) (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Snake Boss (S) (HD)

Sky 1 +1 **Sky** 206

Sky Arts

Sky 122 **Virgin** 123 **HD** **Virgin** 156

6.00am La Bohème on Sydney Harbour (HD) **8.00** Royal Ballet: the Nutcracker (HD) **10.00** A Kylie Christmas (S) (HD) **12 noon** Michael Bublé's Christmas in Hollywood (S) (HD) **1.00pm** Celebrity Portrait Artist of the Year (S) (HD) **2.00** Danny Baker's Christmas Hits (S) (AD) (HD) **3.25** Discovering: Bee Gees (S) (AD) **3.50** Discovering: Abba (S) (AD) **4.45** André Rieu: Home for Christmas: a concert of festive favourites (S) (HD)

7.15pm The Seven Ages of Elvis Forty years on from his death, this documentary looks at the legacy of Elvis Presley and focuses on seven important stages of his life. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Elvis: the Final Hours Exploring the highs and lows of Elvis Presley's life, as told by a small group of the singer's closest friends and confidants. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 ***New.*** **Roy Orbison: Austin City Limits** The singer/songwriter performs on the music programme in 1982, featuring hits including *Only the Lonely* and *Pretty Woman*. (HD)

11.15 I Am Johnny Cash Insight from loved ones and classic concert footage come together to paint a picture of the larger-than-life Johnny Cash as this film explores his musical and artistic expression. (HD)

1.10am Johnny Cash: behind Prison Walls (S) **2.10** Carl Perkins and Friends (S) (HD) **3.10** Beatles Stories (S) (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Discovering: Elton John (S) (HD)



Ray Donovan *9.00pm* The fixer agrees to a risky deal

Sky Atlantic

Sky 108

6.00am Fish Town (S) (HD) **7.00** Urban Secrets (S) (HD) **8.00** The Guest Wing (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** The West Wing (S) (HD) **12 noon** Without a Trace (S) (HD) **2.00pm** Blue Bloods (HD) **3.00** The West Wing (S) (HD)

5.00pm Without a Trace ***18/24*** *Series 4.* A 15-year-old with a double life disappears. (S) (HD) **6.00** ***19/24.*** The team searches for a pregnant woman. (S) (HD)

7.00 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation ***20/23*** *Series 3* Sara and Nick conduct fresh inquiries into a drowning that was initially ruled accidental. (S) (HD)

8.00 Blue Bloods ***22/22*** *Series 4* Danny asks Frank for help. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **Ray Donovan** ***6/10*** *Series 7.* Ray gets help with an investigation from Terry and Smitty as things start to heat up between him and Molly. (HD)

10.10 Game of Thrones ***2/10*** *Series 6.* The Night's Watch stands behind Alliser Thorne. (S) (AD) (HD) **11.10** ***3/10.*** Tommen confronts the High Sparrow. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.10am True Detective (S) (AD) (HD) **1.25** Ray Donovan (HD) **2.35** Nurse Jackie (S) (HD) **3.10** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **4.00–6.00am** The West Wing (S) (HD)

Sky Atlantic +1 **Sky** 208

Sky Crime

Sky 121 **Virgin** 136 **HD** **Virgin** 135

6.00am Motorway Patrol (S) (AD) **7.00** Customs UK **8.00** Motorbike Cops **9.00** Brit Cops: Rapid Response: five editions (S) (AD) **2.00pm** UK Border Force (S) (AD)

6.00pm Snapped A disturbing secret unravels in a family, pitting a mother against her daughter when the husband is murdered. (S)

7.00 Banged Up Abroad The story of Brigene Young, who was caught smuggling 1kg of heroin into Mauritius. (S)

8.00 Murders That Shocked the Nation Fred Dinenage explores the murders of child killer David McGreavy. (S)

9.00 Conman: the Life and Crimes of Mark Acklom The story of a fraudster who posed as an MI6 agent to con his ex-girlfriend out of almost £300,000.

10.00 Fred and Rose: the Unanswered Questions This disturbing documentary asks how many more girls Fred and Rose West might have killed. (S) (AD)

11.00 Ted Bundy: World's Most Evil Examining the crimes of mass murderer Ted Bundy. (S)

12 midnight World's Most Evil Killers: Rodney Alcala (S) **1.00am** A Wedding and a Murder **2.00** Snapped (S) **3.00** Murders That Shocked the Nation (S) **4.00** Street Crime UK (S) **4.30** Police Ten 7 (S) **5.00–6.00am** Snapped (S)

Sky Crime +1 **Sky** 221 **Virgin** 207



Law & Order: Special Victims Unit *10.00pm* Benson and Fin

Sky Witness

Sky 107 **Virgin** 112 **HD** **Virgin** 111

6.00am Nothing to Declare (S) **8.00** Sun, Sea and A&E (S) (AD) **10.00** Air Ambulance ER (S) (HD) **4.00pm** Nothing to Declare (S) (AD)

6.00pm Nothing to Declare Following the work of customs officers in Australia. (S) (AD)

8.00 Criminal Minds ***3/22*** *Series 13.* The BAU team members head to Detroit, where two men in two weeks have been discovered dead, both in very public places, naked and hanging by a meat hook. (S) (HD) **9.00** ***1/24*** *Series 9.* The bodies of two women are found in Arizona, shot through the heart and made to look like they are praying, while Hotch is tipped to be the new BAU section chief. (S) (HD)

10.00 ***New.*** **Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** ***Ep 3*** *Series 21.* A celebrity reveals himself as the victim of a predator targeting men in gay clubs. (HD) **11.00** ***18/23*** *Series 13.* The rape and kidnap of a woman turns out to be more complex than it initially seems. (HD)

12 midnight CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **1.00am** 9-1-1 (S) (HD) **2.00** Station 19 (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** Criminal Minds (S) (HD) **4.00–6.00am** Nothing to Declare (S) (AD)

Sky Witness +1 **Sky** 207 **Virgin** 180

Sky 2

Sky 168 **Virgin** 160

7.00am The Dog Whisperer: triple bill **10.00** My Kitchen Rules: Australia (S) **12.30pm** Monkey Life (S) (AD) **1.00** Supergirl (S) **6.00pm** It's Christmas Live from the Royal Albert Hall: Jason Manford hosts a concert of Christmas classics **8.00** Football's Funniest Moments (S) **9.00** Cricket's Funniest Moments: a selection of comical clips (S) **10.00** Rugby's Funniest Moments (S) (AD) **11.00** The Late Late Show with James Corden: Best of the Week: highlights of the talk show **12 midnight** Duck Quacks Don't Echo (S) (AD) **2.00am** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit **3.00** Football's Funniest (S) (AD) **4.00–6.00am** Monkey Life: four back-to-back editions (S) (AD)

Universal TV

Sky 113 **Virgin** 122 **BT** 320 **HD** **Virgin** 121 **BT** 385

8.00am Law & Order: eight back-to-back episodes (S) (HD) **4.00pm** Major Crimes: five back-to-back episodes (S) (HD) **9.00** Departure: double bill. An unlikely source has proof of a conspiracy to cover up the truth about the crash, then Kendra comes up with a plan to expose the cover up (S) (HD) **11.00** CSI: Miami: double bill. A member of the team is killed, then a suspected killer represents himself in court (S) (HD) **1.00am** Private Eyes (S) (HD) **2.00** The Murders (S) (HD) **3.00** Sea Patrol: two boys go missing (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Numb3rs (S) (AD) (HD)

Universal TV +1 **Sky** 213 **Virgin** 206



Pulp Fiction *9.30pm* Vincent and Jules clean up a problem

W

Sky 109 **Virgin** 125 **BT** 311 **HD** **Virgin** 211 **BT** 383

6.00am Flip or Flop (HD) **6.25** Doctor Who (S) (AD) (HD) **10.55** Dynamo: Magician Impossible (S) (AD) (HD) **12.50pm** Miranda (S) (AD) (HD) **1.30 FILM** Annie ★★★ Musical starring Albert Finney and Carol Burnett (W) (HD) **4.10** Tipping Point: Lucky Stars: triple bill (HD)

7.15pm Miranda The shop owner has two marriage proposals to decide between. (S) (AD) (HD) **7.55** Miranda makes one final attempt to accept herself and find contentment. (S) (AD) (HD)

8.35 Inside the Ambulance Crew members Dan and Becky are called out to a baby with a worryingly high temperature. (S) (HD)

9.30 Pulp Fiction ★★★★★ Crime drama starring John Travolta, Samuel L Jackson and Uma Thurman. Downtown LA: lovebirds Honey Bunny and Pumpkin plan to hold up a diner. Washed-up boxer Butch is paid to throw his last fight, but has other ideas. "Fixer" the Wolf has to get hitmen Vincent and Jules out of a sticky situation. And Vincent is nervous when he has to escort his boss's wife for the night. (W) (HD)

12.40am Louis Theroux's Weird Weekends (S) (AD) **1.35–3.00am** Rio Ferdinand: Being Mum and Dad (HD)

W +1 **Sky** 209 **Virgin** 190

Syfy

Sky 114 **Virgin** 138 **BT** 319 **HD** **Virgin** 137 **BT** 375

6.00am Marvel's Runaways **8.00** Home Shopping **11.00 FILM** Simply Irresistible ★ Supernatural romantic comedy **1.00pm FILM** The Cat in the Hat ★★ Comedy **3.00 FILM** Coneheads ★★ Comedy **5.00 FILM** Scrooged ★★★ Comedy starring Bill Murray **7.00 FILM** Addams Family Values ★★★★ Comedy horror **9.00 FILM** Aeonflux ★★ Sci-fi thriller starring Charlize Theron **11.00 FILM** Lara Croft, Tomb Raider: the Cradle of Life ★ Action adventure **1.30am FILM** The Shanghai Job ★★ Action thriller **3.00** Future Man **4.00–6.00am FILM** Age of the Dragons ★★ Fantasy

Syfy +1 **Sky** 214 **Virgin** 229

TLC

Sky 133 **Virgin** 167 **BT** 323 **HD** **BT** 377

6.00am Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **8.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress: Randy Knows Best (HD) **12 noon** Gypsy Sisters (HD) **1.00pm** Gypsy Brides US (AD) (HD) **7.00** Gypsy Brides US: Most Blingtastic Moments (HD) **8.00** The 12 Pops of Christmas: Dr Sandra Lee treats patients looking to fix their skin issues (HD) **9.30** Dr Pimple Popper (HD) **10.00** Katie Price: My Crazy Life (HD) **12 midnight** The 12 Pops of Christmas (HD) **1.30am** Dr Pimple Popper (HD) **2.00** Katie Price: My Crazy Life (HD) **4.00** Gypsy Sisters (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Gypsy Brides US (AD) (HD)

TLC +1 **Sky** 233 **Virgin** 172



Porridge *8.00pm* Fletch hides out in the hospital

Gold

Sky 110 **Virgin** 124 **BT** 310

7.10am 2 Point 4 Children **7.40** TOTP: Christmas 2012 **9.35** Last of the Summer Wine (S) **12.05pm** 2 Point 4 Children **12.50** Miranda (S) (AD) (HD) **1.30** Only Fools and Horses (S) (AD) **3.20** Dad's Army (S) **5.20** Trust Morecambe and Wise (S) (HD)

6.20pm Only Fools and Horses In this 2003 Christmas special, the Trotters are facing bankruptcy and the loss of the family's Peckham flat. (S) (AD)

8.00 Porridge Christmas special from 1975. Fletch discovers his fellow inmates at Slade Prison are planning to escape. (S) (AD)

9.00 Gavin & Stacey The Welsh contingent arrives in Essex to spend the holiday with the Shipmans, in this 2008 Christmas edition. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.20 Men Behaving Badly Christmas proves to be a time for reflection as Tony and Gary ponder what might have been. (S)

11.20 The League of Gentlemen Familiar faces come back to Royston Vasey to settle old scores and dig up old friends. (HD)

12 midnight The League of Gentlemen (HD) **1.20am** Harry Enfield and Chums (S) (AD) **2.10–4.00am** TOTP: Christmas 2012

Gold +1 **Sky** 210 **Virgin** 194

Comedy Central

Sky 112 **Virgin** 132 **BT** 307 **HD** **Virgin** 181 **BT** 370

8.00am Most Ridiculous – Christmas (S) (HD) **8.35** Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Michael McIntyre's Big Christmas Show **12 noon FILM** Scrooged ★★★ Comedy starring Bill Murray, Karen Allen and featuring Robert Mitchum **2.00pm** Michael McIntyre's Big Christmas Show **2.55** Friends: 12 back-to-back episodes (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Michael McIntyre's Very Christmassy Christmas Show **10.00** Lee Evans: Roadrunner: from 2011 (S) (HD) **11.00** Your Face or Mine: four episodes (S) (HD) **1.00am** South Park: five back-to-back episodes (S) (HD) **3.25** Bob's Burgers: triple bill (HD) **4.35–5.00am** as 8am

Comedy Central +1 **Sky** 212 **Virgin** 133

Lifetime

Sky 187 **Virgin** 208 **BT** 329 **HD** **BT** 384

7.00am Judge Judy (HD) **12 noon** Little Women: Atlanta (HD) **4.00pm** Dance Moms (HD) **7.00** Judge Judy (HD) **9.00 FILM** I Am Elizabeth Smart ★★★ Crime drama based on a true story, starring Alana Boden and Skeet Ulrich. In June 2002, teenager Elizabeth Ann Smart was abducted from her home and held hostage by a religious fanatic (W) (HD) **10.45** The Joy of Sex Toys: double bill. The business launches a new adult toy range, then Sabrina and her team pay a visit to Germany (HD) **12.45am** Storage Wars (HD) **1.40** Hardcore Pawn (HD) **2.35** Judge Judy (HD) **3.00–4.00am** Kiss, Bang, Love (HD)

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Traces *9.00pm* Will Daniel's dark secret prove fatal?

Alibi

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7.10am Murdoch Mysteries (S) (HD) **8.00** Miss Marple (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00pm** Father Brown (S) (AD) (HD))

4.00pm Death in Paradise *4/8 Series 1.* A woman confesses to shooting dead her husband, but Richard is puzzled by the absence of a body at the crime scene. **5.00** *5/8.* A prisoner is stabbed to death while being transported to Saint Marie, proving especially puzzling for Richard as he was handcuffed to the man at the time. **6.20** *6/8.* A tropical disease strikes down Richard and, as Camille is in Paris, Dwayne and Fidel are left to solve the murder of a diver, found with odd markings on his chest. **7.40** *7/8.* The carnival comes to Saint-Marie, but the party atmosphere does not last long when a singer is murdered. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **Traces** *6/6* Crime drama starring Molly Windsor, Laura Fraser and Martin Compston, written by Amelia Bullmore, and based on an original idea by Val McDermid. (AD) (HD)

10.00 Death in Paradise As 5pm. **11.20** As 6.20pm. **12.40am** As 7.40pm **2.00–4.00am** Rizzoli & Isles: double bill (S) (AD) (HD)

Alibi +1 Sky 232 Virgin 191

Discovery History

Sky 171 Virgin 257

6.00am Battlefield **10.00** Great Battles **12 noon** Battle of the Alamo **1.00pm** Battlefield: four back-to-back editions

5.00pm Great Battles The Battle of Hastings in 1066, and how the Norman Conquest changed the course of British history. **5.30** The Battle of Bosworth Field in 1485, which saw the emergence of the Tudor dynasty. **6.00** The Battle of Marston Moor in 1644 and Charles I's downfall. **6.30** How the Battle of the Boyne in 1690 resulted in Protestant domination of Ulster politics.

7.00 Battle of the Alamo The story of the 1836 siege, in which 189 Texans died defending a fortress against Mexican troops.

8.00 Ultimate Warfare Examining the US-British-Iraqi-led Operation Phantom Fury in Fallujah in 2004, during which the insurgents put up stern resistance. **9.00** The Battle of Hue, which took place at the beginning of the Tet Offensive, the Viet Cong's campaign of surprise attacks against the US and its allies in 1968.

10.00 Kill Zone The Iraqi city of Tal Afar, which was transformed into a ghost town by al-Qaeda. **11.00** The 1991 ambush of eight US Special Forces soldiers in Iraq. **12 midnight** Ultimate Warfare **2.00am** Kill Zone: double bill **4.00–6.00am** Great Battles

Discovery History +1 Sky 271 Virgin 261



Family Guy *9.00pm* Peter abuses his position as Santa

Fox

Sky 124 Virgin 157 HD Virgin 199

8.00am Bull (HD) **9.00** Bones (HD) **10.00** Bull (HD) **11.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** Bones (HD) **2.00pm** The Mentalist (HD) **3.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Bull (HD) **5.00** Bones (HD)

6.00pm The Mentalist *23/24 Series 4.* Serial killer Red John resurfaces to taunt Jane. (HD)

7.00 NCIS *6/24 Series 13* A petty officer appears to have become the latest victim of a serial killer (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** *7/24.* Ducky is forced to reveal he has been helping to solve crimes in his spare time. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Family Guy *Series 15* Peter fills in for a mall Santa. (HD) **9.30** *Series 16.* A selfish Peter loses his festive spirit. (HD)

10.00 American Dad! *Series 7* Steve gets a gun for Christmas. **10.30** *Series 10.* Stan's plans to change Steve's attitude go awry. **11.00** *Series 11.* Stan makes a wish to be single – which comes true. **11.30** *Series 13.* Father Christmas kidnaps Steve and forces him into labour at the North Pole. (HD)

12 midnight American Dad! (HD) **12.30am** Family Guy **1.00** American Dad! (HD) **2.00** Family Guy **3.00** Science of Stupid (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Bull (HD)

Fox +1 Sky 224 Virgin 158

History

Sky 130 Virgin 270 BT 327 HD BT 379

6.00am River Hunters (HD) **10.00** WW2 Treasure Hunters (HD) **1.00pm** Pawn Stars: six editions (HD) **7.00** American Pickers: Mike tries to put Frank in a Christmas mood with two trips in search of precious objects (HD) **8.00** Highway thru Hell: Al works to clear a burning trailer off the Coq (HD) **9.00** ***New.*** Divided States: the focus falls on the gunman who allegedly opened fire in a bar, killing an Indian national, injuring another and wounding an ex-marine who tried to stop him (HD) **10.00** The New Age of Terror: a look at how the world has been transformed by the fight against terrorism, and how fear became a weapon (HD) **12 midnight** Mountain Men: Jake hunts a lion that is stalking a school bus stop (HD) **1.00–6.00am** Pawn Stars (HD)

History +1 Sky 230 Virgin 271

Animal Planet

Sky 162 Virgin 251 BT 325 HD BT 378

6.00am Jeremy Wade's Dark Waters (S) (HD) **5.00pm** The Zoo: San Diego (HD) **6.00** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **7.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (AD) **8.00** ***New.*** The Zoo: a feisty female alpaca is due to give birth (HD) **9.00** Homestead Rescue: the Raneys try to restore a failed homestead in Ohio (HD) **10.00** Animal Cops Houston: investigators discover a litter of puppies trapped inside a storm drain (S) (HD) **11.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees: double bill. Moe and Lizzy rescue a sick stray, then two dogs need rescuing in the French Quarter (S) (HD) **1.00am** Animal Cops Houston (S) (HD) **2.00** The Zoo (HD) **3.00** Homestead Rescue (HD) **3.50** Jeremy Wade's Dark Waters (S) (HD) **4.40** Meet the Sloths (S) (HD) **5.10–6.00am** The Zoo (S) (HD)

Animal Planet +1 Sky 262 Virgin 259



Gold Rush: White Water *10.00pm* Dangerous times

Discovery

Sky 125 Virgin 250 BT 322 HD BT 376

6.00am UFOs: the Lost Evidence (S) (HD) **12 noon** Truth behind the Moon Landing: six editions (S) (HD)

6.00pm Fast 'n' Loud Richard Rawlings and Aaron Kaufman give a red 67 Cadillac convertible the luxury treatment in a bid to attract a higher calibre of buyers. (S) (HD)

7.00 Outback Truckers Steve contends with a trailer load of trouble and Nigel Vagg hauls 900 goats through a heatwave. (S) (HD)

8.00 Combat Dealers Bruce Crompton flogs a Second World War tank destroyer to an Australian museum. (S) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **Gold Rush** Following the gold miners of the Yukon. (HD)

10.00 ***New.*** **Gold Rush: White Water** Fred and his crew are reminded of the life-threatening dangers they face. (HD)

11.00 ***New.*** **Air Jaws: Back from the Dead** Chris Fallows and Jeff Kurr search for great white sharks in New Zealand. (HD)

12 midnight Gold Rush (HD) **1.00am** Gold Rush: White Water (HD) **2.00** Deadliest Catch (S) (HD) **3.00** Gold Rush (HD) **3.50** Fast 'n' Loud: double bill (S) (HD) **5.30–6.00am** How It's Made (S) (HD)

Discovery +1 Sky 225 Virgin 258

Nat Geographic

Sky 129 Virgin 266 BT 317 HD Virgin 268 BT 373

8.00am Nazi Megastructures (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** WWII's Greatest Raids (HD) **10.00** WW2: Hell under the Sea (HD) **11.00** War Heroes of the Skies (HD) **12 noon** Air Crash Investigation (HD) **2.00pm** Supercar Megabuild (HD) **3.00** Car SOS (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00** Nazi Secrets Revealed: Draining the Ocean (HD) **6.00** Europe from Above (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Gordon Ramsay: Uncharted (AD) (HD) **8.00** ***New.*** The Last Secrets of the Nasca (HD) **9.00** ***New.*** The Story of God with Morgan Freeman (HD) **10.00** Buried Secrets of the Bible (S) (HD) **11.00** Witness to Disaster (S) (HD) **12 midnight** Seconds from Disaster (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00am** Banged Up Abroad (HD) **2.00** Air Crash Investigation (HD) **3.00** Nazi Secrets Revealed: Draining the Ocean (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Drain the Oceans (HD)

Nat Geo +1 Sky 229 Virgin 267

Eden

Sky 166 Virgin 245 BT 315 HD Virgin 247 BT 389

9.00am Wild Arabia (HD) **12 noon** Mexico: Earth's Festival of Life (HD) **3.00pm** Wild Arabia: triple bill (HD) **6.00** Mexico: Earth's Festival of Life: triple bill. The Sierra Madre mountain chain **7.00** The forests of the Yucatan **8.00** The deserts of Mexico's northern region (HD) **9.00** Wild Arabia: travelling through the desert with the nomadic Bedouin (HD) **10.00** It's a Wild Christmas: contrasting festive periods in the northern and southern hemispheres (HD) **11.00** Wild Arabia: double bill. Exploring the mountains of Dhofar in Oman, then the changes across the Arabian peninsula since the discovery of oil (HD) **1.00am** Mexico: Earth's Festival of Life (HD) **3.50** Frontier Borneo (HD) **5.30–6.00am** Jungle Planet (HD)

Eden +1 Sky 266 Virgin 246



Pioneers in Aviation *7.15pm* Donald Douglas's battle

PBS America 91

F'view 91 (1-11pm only) F'sat 155 Sky 174 Virgin 273

8.00am The Aviators **8.35** Plane Resurrection **1.00pm** The Aviators **1.35** Plane Resurrection **3.50** Bristol Scout: Rebuilding History **5.00** Flying Dreams: Women Airforce Pilots of WWII

6.10pm Hurricane Harvey Heroes A 1940s C-47 Skytrain used to take aid to southern Texas in August 2017.

7.15 Pioneers in Aviation The story of powered flight in America, beginning with the Wright brothers' earliest flights, through the turbulent era of the 1920s and the Great Depression. **8.30** A look at military aircraft produced during the 1930s and 40s, with factories working around the clock to give the Allies air supremacy in the European and Pacific theatres of the war. **9.45** The Cold War era of the 1950s and 60s, when the launch of the Sputnik satellite shifted the battlefield to space and led to a US pledge to go to the Moon.

11.00 Bristol Scout: Rebuilding History Following David Bremner as he attempts to rebuild his great-grandfather's Bristol Scout biplane using the original plans.

12.15am Flying Dreams: Women Airforce Pilots of WWII **1.30–2.00am** The Aviators

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F'view (HD only) 99 F'sat 175 Sky 195 Virgin 276

6.00am Chile: a Wild Journey (HD) **7.00** Britain in Colour (HD) **8.00** Hunt for the Double Eagle (HD) **9.00** Rise of Tokyo in Colour **10.00** Aerial New Zealand (HD) **11.00** America in Colour (HD) **12 noon** The Hunt for Eagle 56 (HD) **3.00pm** Rise of Tokyo in Colour **4.00** Moby Dick: Heart of a Whale (HD) **5.00** Shackleton's Frozen Hell (HD) **6.00pm** America in Colour (HD) **8.00** ***New.*** America in Colour: day-to-day life in small towns across the US in the early 20th century (HD) **9.00** Inside the Christmas Factory: Christmas Cakes **10.00** Mystic Britain: Stonehenge (HD) **11.00** America in Colour (HD) **12 midnight** Mystery of the Nazca Lines (HD) **1.00am** Mystic Britain (HD) **2.00** America in Colour (HD) **3.00** Mystery of the Nazca Lines (HD) **4.00** Mystic Britain (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Shackleton's Frozen Hell (HD)

Sony Crime

Freesat 143 Sky 179 Virgin 193

6.00am Speeders **7.00** Bait Car: San Francisco **8.30** Bait Car: LA **9.00** Speeders **11.00** Bait Car: San Francisco **12.30pm** Bait Car: LA **1.00** Speeders **6.00pm** Speeders: six editions. A woman is caught without her seatbelt on **6.30** A punk is stopped for having her music too loud **7.00** A teen driver is stopped by his mother **7.30** A female biker is caught speeding **8.00** as 6pm **8.30** as 6.30pm **9.00** Bait Car: San Francisco: car criminals **10.30** Bait Car: LA **11.00** Speeders: double bill. Officer Hartsell pulls over a car decorated with pieces of junk, then Officer Williams pulls over a car full of Italian tourists **12 midnight** Bait Car: New Orleans **1.00am** Speeders **3.00** Bait Car: LA: double bill **4.00** Speeders: double bill **5.00–6.00am** Bait Car: New Orleans

CHILDREN'S

Milkshake! on C5

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6.00am Mofy **6.05** Peppa Pig **6.20** Wissper **6.30** Ben and Holly **6.40** Fireman Sam: double bill **7.05** Thomas & Friends: double bill Percy is collecting the mail, but he runs into a snowdrift, then Thomas embarks on a risky journey with little fuel **7.25** Shane the Chef: Mama Polenta fails to cure Shane's cold **7.45** Peppa Pig **8.15** Paw Patrol: Ryder, Rubble and Chase search for a snow monster **8.45** Floogals **8.55–9.05am** Peppa Pig

CBeebies 202

Freeview 202 Freesat 608 Sky 614 Virgin 702

6.00am Something Special: We're All Friends **6.20** Baby Jake Loves Christmas **6.35** Twirlywoos **6.45** Raa Raa the Noisy Lion **6.55** Numberblocks **7.05** Bing **7.20** Hey Duggee: double bill **7.35** Bitz & Bob **7.45** Peter Rabbit **8.00** Go Jetters **8.10** Octonauts **8.20** Biggleton **8.35** Justin's House **9.00** CBeebies Thumbelina **9.45** Something Special: A Magical Christmas **10.10** Woolly & Tig: Christmas Magic **10.20** The Baby Club **10.35** Hey Duggee **10.40** Bing **11.05** Pablo **11.15** My Pet and Me: Christmas Special **11.30** School of Roars **11.40** My First Festival: Christmas **11.55** Sarah & Duck **12 noon** Tree Fu Tom: The Sprite Before Christmas **12.25pm** Kit and Pup **12.35** Old Jack's Boat: The Christmas Quest **1.00** My Pet and Me: Winter Special **1.15** Yakka Dee! **1.20** Numberblocks **1.25** Bing **1.35** Twirlywoos **1.45** Something Special: We're All Friends **2.10** Teletubbies **2.20** The Baby Club: Christmas Bells **2.35** Pablo **2.50** Our Family: Christmas **3.00** Andy's Prehistoric Adventures **3.15** Swashbuckle: Christmas Special **3.40** Hey Duggee **3.45** Tinpo **3.55** Messy Goes to OKIDO: Christmas Special; My Petsaurus **4.10** ***New.*** My First Festival: Christmas **4.25** Woolly & Tig: Christmas Magic **4.35** Peter Rabbit **4.50** ***New.*** Go Jetters **5.00** Topsy and Tim's Christmas Eve **5.15** Molly and Mack **5.40** Bing **5.45** Moon and Me **6.10** Clangers **6.20** In the Night Garden… **6.50–7.00pm** CBeebies Bedtime Stories: a tale before bed

CBBC 201

Freeview 201 Freesat 607 Sky 613 Virgin 701

7.00am Arthur **7.15** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **7.25** Danger Mouse **7.35** Shaun the Sheep **7.45** Odd Squad: double bill **8.10** Scream Street **8.35 FILM** Nativity 2: Danger in the Manger! ★★ **10.20** Our School: double bill **11.05** Almost Never **1.00pm** Almost Never: Christmas Wonderland **2.05** A Blue Peter Christmas…Here's One We Made Earlier! **2.35** The Dumping Ground **3.05** The Deep **3.25** Strange Hill High **3.50** Diddy TV **4.00** Show Me What You're Made Of **4.35** The Dumping Ground **5.35** Kung Fu Panda Holiday **6.00pm** Dragons: Race to the Edge **6.25** A Christmas Panic!: Chief and Cowboy try to save Christmas **6.50 FILM** Nativity 2: Danger in the Manger! ★★ Comedy starring David Tennant and Jessica Hynes **8.35–9.00pm** Odd Squad: double bill

CITV 203

Freeview 203 Freesat 602 Sky 621 Virgin 734

6.00am Dino Dana **6.15** Super 4 **6.50** Dare Master **6.55** The Powerpuff Girls **7.20** Teen Titans Go! **7.50** Mr Magoo **8.20** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **9.25** Shrek the Halls **9.55** Scooby Doo! **10.20** Be Cool, Scooby-Doo! **10.45** The Bagel and Becky Show **11.15** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **11.35** Wishfart **11.50** Make It Pop **12.15pm** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **12.30** Dare Master **12.35** Mr Magoo **1.35** Hotel Transylvania **2.30** Kung Fu Panda **3.00** Mr Magoo **4.00** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **5.00** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **5.15** Wishfart **5.25** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **5.50** Scooby Doo! **6.15** Be Cool, Scooby-Doo! **6.40** The Bagel and Becky Show **7.10** Make It Pop **7.35** Hotel Transylvania **8.05** Spy School **8.55–9.00pm** Dare Master

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Toys go to war

P The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part ★★★★
11.45am/8.00pm ***Sky Premiere***

A full-on battle of the toys ensues when the citizens of Bricksburg come under threat from outer-space invaders in another chapter of the merchandise-friendly franchise. Chris Pratt and Elizabeth Banks once again lead the voice cast, firing off countless one-liners that hit the target with military precision. The ever-inventive backdrop pops and fizzes with colour, while the supporting cast of characters includes skateboarding dinosaurs, vampire DJs and a choice of no less than three Wonder Women. **TERRY STAUNTON**



Ringside entertainment

P Fighting with My Family ★★★★ ***Netflix***

This feel-good charmer follows the true journey of superstar wrestler Paige (Florence Pugh) from her humble beginnings in Norwich to becoming the youngest ever Divas Champion. It's written and directed by Stephen Merchant, with Dwayne Johnson executive producing, and both have super cameos. An unapologetic soap opera in spandex it may be, but the British kitchen-sink angle is polished to a high Hollywood gloss, and there's strong support from Nick Frost and Lena Headey as Paige's grapple-happy parents. **ALAN JONES**

The Christmas classic

It's a Wonderful Life
★★★★★ *9.50pm*
Sky Christmas



This masterpiece from Frank Capra is a perennial festive favourite, with James Stewart as the suicidal man who is shown the value of his life by his guardian angel. The term Capra-esque is too often misapplied; forget the imitations and revel in the genuine article. **DAVID PARKINSON**

FREEVIEW

Film4 14

F'view 14 **F'sat** 300 **Sky** 313 **Virgin** 428 **HD Virgin** 429

11.00am Holiday Inn ★★★★ Wonderful musical. Bing Crosby, Fred Astaire (1942, U) (S)
1.00pm Over the Hedge ★★★ Fast-paced animated comedy adventure. Bruce Willis, Garry Shandling, Steve Carell, Wanda Sykes (2006, U) (S)
2.45 Monster Trucks ★★★ Entertaining family adventure. Lucas Till, Jane Levy (2016, PG) (S)
4.50pm The Devil Wears Prada ★★★ Meryl Streep is the boss from hell in this glossy and entertaining fashion-industry satire. Anne Hathaway, Stanley Tucci (2006, PG) (AD)
7.05 Fantastic Four ★★ Action fantasy that reboots the origin of Marvel's superhero family quartet. Miles Teller, Michael B Jordan, Kate Mara, Jamie Bell (2015, 12) (S) (AD)
9.00 Die Hard 2 ★★★★ Bruce Willis is in the wrong place at the wrong time (again) in this explosive action thriller sequel. Bonnie Bedelia, William Atherton (1990, 18) (S) (AD)
11.25 Popstar: Never Stop Never Stopping ★★★ Send-up of the pop music industry. Andy Samberg, Jorma Taccone (2016, 15) (S)
1.10–3.40am Creepshow ★★★ Ghoulish anthology of horror tales. Hal Holbrook (1982, 15) (S)
Film4 +1 **F'view** 45 **F'sat** 301 **Sky** 314 **Virgin** 430

Sony Movies 32

Freeview 32 **Freesat** 302 **Sky** 321 **Virgin** 425

9.00am Santa's Dog ★★ Drama. (2012, U)
10.40 Christmas Grace ★★ Drama. (2013)
12.25pm RV: Runaway Vacation ★★ Comedy. Robin Williams (2006, PG) **2.20 Matilda ★★★★** Comedy fantasy. Mara Wilson (1996, PG)
4.25 Hitch ★★★ Comedy. Will Smith (2005, 12)
6.45pm Chicago ★★★★ Spirited musical. Catherine Zeta-Jones, Renée Zellweger, Richard Gere (2002, 12)
9.00 The Game ★★★ Tense psychological thriller. Michael Douglas, Sean Penn (1997, 15)
11.40 The Talented Mr Ripley ★★★★ Glossy thriller. **Review, p77.** Matt Damon (1999, 15)
2.30am Awake ★★ Psychological thriller. Hayden Christensen (2007, 15) **4.10–6.00am Oh Christmas Tree ★★** Romantic comedy. (2013)
Sony Movies +1 **F'view** 60 (*limited* 10pm-5am) **Sky** 322

Sony Action 40

F'view 40 *(limited)* **F'sat** 305 **Sky** 323 **Virgin** 426

6.00am The Great Silence ★★★ Western. Jean-Louis Trintignant (1967, 15) **8.10 One Silver Dollar ★★★** Western. Montgomery Wood (1965) **10.15 The Westerner ★★★★** Western. Gary Cooper (1940, U)
12.25pm Gunman's Walk ★★★ Western. Van Heflin (1958) **2.20 Man from Del Rio ★★** Western. Anthony Quinn (1956, PG) **4.05 Revolt at Fort Laramie ★★** Western. John Dehner (1957, U)
5.40 Fort Yuma ★★ Western. Peter Graves (1955)
7.20pm War Drums ★★ Serviceable B-movie western. Lex Barker, Joan Taylor (1957, 12)
9.00 The Hunter's Prayer ★★★ Slick hitman thriller. Sam Worthington, Odeya Rush (2017, 15)
10.55 Sniper 2 ★★ Action thriller with a lot of bloodshed. Tom Berenger, Bokeem Woodbine (2002, 15)
12.40am Precious Cargo ★★ Thriller. Mark-Paul Gosselaar (2016, 15) **2.25–4.00am Ablaze ★★** Disaster drama. John Bradley (2000)
Sony Action +1 **Sky** 324

Talking Pictures TV 81

Freeview 81 **Freesat** 306 **Sky** 328 **Virgin** 445

6.00am The Rogues **7.00 Duel in the Jungle ★★★** Adventure. Dana Andrews (1954, PG)
9.00 Home for Christmas ★★ Comedy drama. Mickey Rooney (1990, U) (S) **11.00** June Allyson **11.30 Scrooge ★★** Fantasy. Seymour Hicks (1935, U) (S) **1.10pm The Other Love ★★** Romantic drama. Barbara Stanwyck (1947, PG) (S)
3.00 The Christmas Tree ★★★ Drama. William Burleigh, Kate Nicholls (1966, U) (S) **4.15 Lost in the Desert ★★★** Drama. Jamie Hayes (1969, U)
6.00pm For the Love of Ada Sitcom. (S)
6.40 Oliver Twist ★★★★★ Adaptation of the Dickens novel. Alec Guinness, Robert Newton (1948, U) (S)
9.00 Gideon's Way TV crime drama.
10.00 The Lovers! ★★★ Spin-off from the TV comedy. Paula Wilcox, Richard Beckinsale (1972)
11.50 Voyage of the Damned ★★ Drama. Faye Dunaway (1976, PG) **3.00am I Live in Grosvenor Square ★** Romance. Anna Neagle, Rex Harrison, Dean Jagger (1945, U) (S) **5.30–6.00am** Get Some In!

Premiere

Sky 301 **Virgin** 401 **BT** 501

6.00am A Wedding for Christmas ★★ Romance. Cristine Prosperi (2018) **7.35** As 3.45pm **9.45** As 6pm **11.45 P The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part** As 8pm **1.45pm Little** As 10pm **3.45 Mary Queen of Scots ★★★** Historical drama. **Choice, p118.** Saoirse Ronan, Margot Robbie (2018, 15)
6.00pm Bumblebee ★★★ This *Transformers* spin-off boasts fun-filled high jinks. Hailee Steinfeld (2018, PG)
8.00 P The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part ★★★★ Ever-inventive animated sequel that fizzes with colour and countless one-liners. **Choice, left.** Chris Pratt, Elizabeth Banks, Will Arnett, Tiffany Haddish (2019, U)
10.00 Little ★★ A horrid tech magnate learns some life lessons in this comedy. Regina Hall, Issa Rae (2019, 12)
12 midnight Domino ★★ Thriller. Nikolaj Coster-Waldau (2019, 18) **1.35am The Flood ★★** Drama. Lena Headey (2019, 15) **3.30 Accident Man ★★** Thriller. (2018, 15) **5.30** Hotel Mumbai Special
Premiere +1 **Sky** 312 **Virgin** 412

Hits

Sky 303 **Virgin** 403 **BT** 503

6.35am Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs ★★★★ Fantasy. (2009, U) **8.10 Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 2 ★★★** (2013, U) **9.50 The Lego Movie ★★★★** (2014, U) **11.35 How to Train Your Dragon: the Hidden World ★★★★** (2019, PG) **1.35pm** As 8pm **3.45** As 10.10pm
4.00pm Thor ★★★ Spectacular adventure. Chris Hemsworth (2011, 12)
6.00 Thor: the Dark World ★★★★ Explosive epic. (2013, 12)
8.00 Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom ★★★ Well-made adventure. Chris Pratt (2018, 12)
10.10 Jurassic World: Battle at Big Rock Spin-off short.
10.25 Bumblebee ★★★ Fun *Transformers* spin-off. (2018, PG)
12.25am Kick-Ass ★★★★ Refreshing action comedy drama. Nicolas Cage, Aaron Johnson, Mark Strong (2009, 15) **2.25 Kick-Ass 2 ★★★** Action drama. Aaron Taylor-Johnson, Chloë Grace Moretz (2013, 15) **4.15** As 9.50am

Action

Sky 307 **Virgin** 407 **BT** 507

6.00am Iron Man ★★★★ Fantasy adventure. Robert Downey Jr (2008, 12) **8.15 Iron Man 2 ★★★** Fantasy. Robert Downey Jr (2010, 12) **10.30 Iron Man Three ★★★★** Fantasy. Robert Downey Jr (2013, 12) **12.45pm** As 9.30pm **2.45 Batman ★★★★** Fantasy. Michael Keaton, Jack Nicholson (1989, 15)
5.00pm Batman Returns ★★★★ Stylish action fantasy. Michael Keaton, Danny DeVito, Michelle Pfeiffer (1992, 15)
7.15 Die Hard ★★★★★ Gripping, no-holds-barred action thriller. Bruce Willis, Alan Rickman, Bonnie Bedelia (1988, 15)
9.30 Venom ★★ Serviceable action fantasy. Tom Hardy (2018, 15)
11.30 Gladiator ★★★★★ A betrayed Roman general escapes death in this Oscar-winning period epic. Russell Crowe, Joaquin Phoenix (2000, 15)
2.15am Hotel Artemis ★★★★ Zesty futuristic thriller. Jodie Foster, Sterling K Brown, Sofia Boutella (2018, 15) **4.00 Jason and the Argonauts ★★★★** Fantasy adventure. Todd Armstrong, Nancy Kovack, Gary Raymond (1963, U)

Star Wars

Sky 302 **Virgin** 402 **BT** 502

7.10am Episode I: the Phantom Menace ★★★ The first prequel. (1999, U) **9.30 Episode II: Attack of the Clones ★★★** Adventure. (2002, PG) **11.55 Episode III: Revenge of the Sith ★★★** The dark destiny of Anakin Skywalker is decided. Ewan McGregor (2005, 12) **2.20pm** As 11.30pm
4.40pm Episode IV: a New Hope ★★★★★ Luke Skywalker joins Obi-Wan Kenobi in a mission to save the galaxy. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher, Peter Cushing (1977, U)
6.50 Episode V: the Empire Strikes Back ★★★★★ Luke Skywalker trains to be a Jedi Knight. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford(1980, U)
9.00 Episode VI: Return of the Jedi ★★★★ Luke faces up to his destiny. Mark Hamill, (1983, U)
11.30pm Solo ★★★★ Fun and exciting adventure. Alden Ehrenreich (2018, 12) **1.50am Episode I: the Phantom Menace** As 7.10am **4.15 The Clone Wars ★★** Animated adventure. Matt Lanter (2008, PG)

Christmas

Sky 304 **Virgin** 410 **BT** 510

6.30am As 8pm **8.10** As 4.30pm **9.50 Arthur Christmas** As 6.10pm **11.40 It's a Wonderful Life** As 9.50pm **2.00pm The Holiday ★★** Romantic comedy. Cameron Diaz, Kate Winslet, Jude Law, Jack Black (2006, 12) **4.30 The Grinch ★★★** Animated fantasy. Benedict Cumberbatch (2018, U)
6.10pm Arthur Christmas ★★★ Likeable animated romp. James McAvoy, Hugh Laurie, Jim Broadbent (2011, U)
8.00 National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation ★★ The Griswolds spend yuletide at home. Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo (1989, PG)
9.50 It's a Wonderful Life ★★★★★ Classic fantasy drama in which a suicidal man is shown the value of his life. **Choice, left.** James Stewart, Donna Reed, Lionel Barrymore (1946, U)
12.15am The Holiday As 2pm **2.45 Coming Home for Christmas ★★** Seasonal romance. Danica McKellar, Neal Bledsoe (2017) **4.25 Memories of Christmas ★★★** Romantic drama. Christina Milian, Mark Taylor, Jaime M Callica (2018)

Musicals

Sky 308 **Virgin** 404 **BT** 504

6.00am As 5pm **7.30 Into the Woods ★★★** Fantasy. (2014, PG) **9.40** As 6.30pm **12 noon The Princess and the Frog ★★★** Fantasy. (2009, U) **1.40pm A Star Is Born ★★★★** Drama. (2018, 15) **4.00** Cats Special **5.00 The Muppet Christmas Carol ★★★★** Comedy. Michael Caine (1992, U)
6.30pm Mary Poppins ★★★★★ Two children find their lives transformed when a magical new nanny comes to look after them. Julie Andrews, Dick Van Dyke (1964, U)
9.00 Mamma Mia! ★★★★ Infectious musical comedy, packed with Abba's greatest hits. Meryl Streep, Colin Firth, Pierce Brosnan (2008, PG)
11.00 Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again ★★★ Energetic sequel. Lily James, Jeremy Irvine, Amanda Seyfried (2018, PG)
1.00am Hello, Dolly! ★★★★ Lavish movie version of the long-running Broadway hit. Barbra Streisand, Walter Matthau (1969, U) **3.30** Cats Special **4.30 The Princess and the Frog** As 12 noon

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Disney

Sky 305 **Virgin** 405 **BT** 505

6.20am As 2.15pm **8.05 One Hundred and One Dalmatians** ★★★★★ (1960, U) **9.30** As 11.45pm **10.55 Beauty and the Beast** ★★★★★ (1991, U) **12.25pm Enchanted** ★★★★ (2007, PG) **2.15 Big Hero 6** ★★★★ Adventure. (2014, PG) **4.00 The Incredibles** ★★★★★ Comedy. (2004, U)

6.00pm Incredibles 2 ★★★★ The family returns. Holly Hunter (2018, PG)

8.00 The Nutcracker and the Four Realms ★★★ Genteel fantasy. Mackenzie Foy, Keira Knightley (2018, PG)

9.45 Bedtime Stories ★★★ Inventive comedy. Adam Sandler (2008, PG)

11.35 Bao Pixar short.

11.45 Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs ★★★★★ Timeless animated classic. Adriana Caselotti (1937, U)

1.20am The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement ★★ Comedy. Anne Hathaway, (2004, U) **3.20 Fantasia 2000** ★★★ Animation. (1999, U) **4.40 Mickey's Twice upon a Christmas** ★★ Animation. (2004, U)

Thriller

Sky 309 **Virgin** 409 **BT** 509

6.35am RocknRolla ★★★ Crime caper. (2008, 15) **8.35 The Transporter** ★★★ Action. (2002, 15) **10.20 The Transporter 2** ★★★ Action. (2005, 15) **12 noon BlacKkKlansman** ★★★★ True story. John David Washington (2018, 15) **2.25pm Red Sparrow** ★★★★ Spy tale. Jennifer Lawrence (2018, 15)

4.50pm Mission: Impossible ★★★★ Tom Cruise stars as the betrayed secret agent who must clear his name. Jon Voight (1996, PG)

6.50 Mission: Impossible 2 ★★★★ Super-agent Tom Cruise attempts to destroy a deadly virus. Dougray Scott, Thandie Newton (2000, 15)

9.00 Mission: Impossible III ★★★ Ethan Hunt's nearest and dearest are targeted by an arms dealer. Tom Cruise, Philip Seymour Hoffman (2006, 12)

11.10pm Mission: Impossible – Fallout ★★★★★ Adventure. Tom Cruise (2018, 12) **1.40am RocknRolla** As 6.35am **3.45 The Transporter** As 8.35am **5.30 Deep Family Secrets** ★★★ Thriller. (1997)

Sci-Fi/Horror

Sky 311 **Virgin** 411 **BT** 511

6.00am Godzilla ★★ Monster movie. Matthew Broderick, Jean Reno, Maria Pitillo (1997, PG) **8.30 Armageddon** ★★★ Thrilling action adventure. Bruce Willis, Billy Bob Thornton, Ben Affleck, Liv Tyler, Will Patton (1998, 15) **11.15 Zombieland** As 7.15pm **1.00pm Deadpool 2** As 9pm **3.15 Glass** As 11.15pm

5.30pm Anna and the Apocalypse ★★★ Graduating teens deal with a zombie outbreak. Ella Hunt, Malcolm Cumming (2017, 15)

7.15pm Zombieland ★★★ Fitfully funny, splatter-filled horror comedy. Woody Harrelson (2009, 15)

9.00 Deadpool 2 ★★★★ Ryan Reynolds is back as the wisecracking mutant in a satisfying fantasy sequel. Josh Brolin, Morena Baccarin, Julian Dennison (2018, 15)

11.15pm Glass ★★★ M Night Shyamalan's intriguing follow-up to *Unbreakable* and *Split*. Bruce Willis, Samuel L Jackson, James McAvoy (2019, 15) **1.40am Anna and the Apocalypse** As 5.30pm **3.30 Godzilla** As 6am

Harry Potter

Sky 306 **Virgin** 406 **BT** 506

6.30am The Chamber of Secrets ★★★★ Fantasy. (2002, PG) **9.10 The Prisoner of Azkaban** ★★★★ Adventure. Daniel Radcliffe (2004, PG) **11.30 The Goblet of Fire** ★★★★ Fantasy. Daniel Radcliffe (2005, 12) **2.05pm The Order of the Phoenix** ★★★★ Fantasy. Daniel Radcliffe (2007, 12)

4.25pm The Half-Blood Prince ★★★★ Harry probes the mind of a professor to discover a secret. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint (2009, 12)

7.00 The Deathly Hallows: Part 1 ★★★ Harry, Ron and Hermione are on the run. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2010, 12)

9.30 The Deathly Hallows: Part 2 ★★★★★ Harry continues his search for the magical Horcruxes. Daniel Radcliffe (2011, 12)

11.45pm The Philosopher's Stone ★★★★ Harry is whisked off to Hogwarts. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint (2001, PG) **2.20am The Chamber of Secrets** As 6.30am **5.00 The Prisoner of Azkaban** As 9.10am

Comedy

Sky 310 **Virgin** 408 **BT** 508

6.15am Dusty and Me ★★★ True story. (2016, 12) **7.55 Ferris Bueller's Day Off** ★★★★ Comedy. (1986, 15) **9.45 Weird Science** ★★ Fantasy. (1985, 12) **11.25 Groundhog Day** ★★★★★ Fantasy. (1993, PG) **1.15pm Tag** ★★ Romp. (2018, 15) **3.05 About Time** ★★★★ Sci-fi comedy. (2013, 12)

5.10pm Big ★★★★ A young boy becomes an adult overnight. Tom Hanks, Elizabeth Perkins, Robert Loggia, John Heard, Jared Rushton (1988, 12)

7.00 Little ★★ A horrid tech magnate learns some life lessons. Regina Hall, Issa Rae, Marsai Martin (2019, 12)

9.00 Crazy Rich Asians ★★★★ A working-class New Yorker discovers her boyfriend is from one of Singapore's richest families. Constance Wu, Henry Golding (2018, 12)

11.05pm A Very Harold & Kumar Christmas ★★★ Fun comedy. John Cho, Kal Penn (2011, 18) **12.40am** As 7.55am **2.25 Bad Santa** ★★★ Black comedy. Billy Bob Thornton, Lauren Graham (2003, 15) **4.15** As 11.25am

TCM Movies

Sky 315 **Virgin** 415 **BT** 512 **HD** **Virgin** 416

6.00am Close Up **6.45 Gun the Man Down** ★★★ (1956, U) **8.25 Gun Duel in Durango** ★★ (1957, PG) **10.00 Fury at Showdown** ★★★ (1957) **11.35 A Christmas Carol** ★★★ (1938, U) **1.00pm Ice Station Zebra** ★★★ (1968, U) **3.55 Strangers on a Train** ★★★★★ Thriller. (1951, PG)

6.10pm The Hound of the Baskervilles ★★★★★ Hammer's adaptation of the Sherlock Holmes story is an atmospheric tour de force. Peter Cushing, André Morell, Christopher Lee, Marla Landi (1959, PG)

8.00 The Island ★★★ Exciting futuristic action thriller starring Ewan McGregor. Scarlett Johansson (2005, 12)

10.45 War ★★ Martial arts action thriller starring Jason Statham and Jet Li. John Lone (2007, 18)

12.55am Gambit ★★★ Comedy caper. Shirley MacLaine, Michael Caine (1966, U) **4.30** Hollywood's Best Film Directors **5.00** Close Up

TCM Movies +1 **Sky** 316 **Virgin** 417

SPORT



Living the Dream *11.00am, 10.00pm* ***Sky PL*** A portrait of Trent Alexander-Arnold

Sky Main Event

Sky 401 **Virgin** 511 **BT** 402 **HD** **Virgin** 501 **BT** 437

6.00am Sky Sports News **7.00** Good Morning Sports Fans: news and views on today's early stories, a look at the back pages, a tip on today's racing and a sporting weather forecast **9.00** F1: 2019 Review **10.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox: four editions in which the pundit talks to a fellow former Premier League player **12 noon** Ben Stokes Special **1.00pm** Golfer of the Decade: the Sky Sports team look back and select the best golfer of the last ten years **3.00** Fights of 2019 **5.00** I'm Game Campaign **6.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox: two editions in which the pundit talks to a fellow former Premier League player **7.00** F1: 2019 Review: a look back at the Formula 1 season, in which Lewis Hamilton claimed his sixth world title **8.00** Ben Stokes Special: a profile of the England cricketer, focusing on his extraordinary heroics in the World Cup final and in the Ashes **9.00** Fights of 2019: a review of the best bouts of the last 12 months **11.00** Class of 92: Full Time: following the fortunes of Salford City FC as it goes full-time, with uncertainty around the future of players, coaching team and volunteers affecting morale **3.00–6.00am** Sky Sports News

Sky Football

Sky 403 **Virgin** 513 **HD** **Virgin** 503

6.00am Championship Highlights **7.00** SPFL: Celtic v Rangers from 2018 **7.30** Championship Highlights **9.30** League One and Two Goals **10.00** Euro 2020 Qualifiers: a day of highlights from across Europe **11.30pm** SPFL: Rangers v Celtic, from the 2018/19 season **12 midnight** Championship Highlights **2.00am** SPFL Greatest Games **2.30** One2Eleven (AD) **3.00** Classic Play-Offs: Reading v Swansea City from 2010/11 **4.00** EFL Greatest Games **4.30** Football Countdowns: the greatest coaches of all time (AD) **5.00** Football's Greatest Players: a profile of Hristo Stoichkov (AD) **5.30–6.00am** Football Years (AD)

Sky Golf

Sky 405 **Virgin** 515 **HD** **Virgin** 505

6.00am PGA Tour Golf: a day of highlights from this year's tour **4.00** Junior Golf **5.00** European ProTour Golf **5.30** The Clara Jug: Shane Lowry **6.00** Junior Golf **7.00** European ProTour Golf **7.30** The Clara Jug: Shane Lowry Lowry: celebrating the Irish golfer's triumph in the 2019 Open **8.00** Golfer of the Decade: the Sky Sports team look back and select the best golfer of the last ten years **10.00–6.00am** PGA Tour Golf: the best action from the tour in 2019

Sky Premier League

Sky 402 **Virgin** 512 **HD** **Virgin** 502

6.00am Premier League Years **8.00** Christmas Crackers **10.00** Soccerbox **11.00** Living the Dream: a profile of Liverpool's Trent Alexander-Arnold **12 noon** Premier League Years **2.00pm** Best of 18/19 **4.30** Christmas Crackers **5.00** Best of 18/19 **6.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **6.30** Premier League Legends (AD) **7.00** Premier League Review **8.00** Best of 18/19 **8.30** Christmas Crackers **9.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox (AD) **10.00** Living the Dream: a profile of Liverpool's Trent Alexander-Arnold **11.00** Class of 92: Full Time **3.00** Greatest Games (AD) **4.00** Best Goals **5.30–6.00am** Premier League 100 Club (AD)

Sky Cricket

Sky 404 **Virgin** 514 **HD** **Virgin** 504

6.00am Best of England v Pakistan (AD) **6.45** Best of Sky Cricket **7.00** Cricket's Greatest Games (AD) **8.00** Best of England v Pakistan (AD) **8.45** Best of Sky Cricket **9.00** Cricket World Cup: a look back at England's triumphant campaign **8.00pm** Cricket World Cup: bitesize highlights from the 2019 tournament **9.15** Best of England v South Africa **10.00** KP: Story of a Genius **10.30** Best of Sky Cricket **10.45** Cricket World Cup: bitesize highlights **11.55** Battle of Trent Bridge: Atherton v Donald **12.05am** How the 2016 World T20 Was Won (AD) **2.00** Cricket's Greatest Games (AD) **3.00** Best of England v Pakistan (AD) **3.45** Best of Sky Cricket **4.00** Cricket's Greatest Games (AD) **5.00** Best of England v Pakistan (AD) **5.45–6.00am** Best of Sky Cricket

Sky Action

Sky 407 **Virgin** 517 **HD** **Virgin** 507

6.00am Shaq: The Big Conversation (AD) **7.00** Wrestling **8.00** WNBA Play-Offs: Chicago v Phoenix **9.30** Inside the Boardroom **10.00** NFL **11.00** Best of NFL Sunday **1.00pm** NFL: America's Game (AD) **2.00** NFL **4.00** Wrestling **6.00** Pro-Football Talk **8.00** NFL **9.00** NBA Heatcheck **9.30** NBA GameTime **10.00** Wrestling **11.00** NBA: the Warm Up **12 midnight** Wrestling **3.00am** NFL **4.00** Great Sporting Moments (AD) **4.30–6.00am** NFL: Greatest Games

Sky Darts

Sky 408 **Virgin** 518 **HD** **Virgin** 508

6.00am Darts Top Five Moments **7.00** World Darts Championship **11.00** Darts Top Five Moments **12 noon** World Darts Championship **4.00pm** Darts Gold **5.00** World Darts Championship **9.00** Darts Gold **10.00** World Darts Championship **2.00am** Darts Gold (AD) **3.00** Darts Top Five Moments **4.00–6.00am** Darts Gold

Eurosport 1

Sky 410 **Virgin** 521 **BT** 412 **HD** **BT** 435

7.00am Watts **7.15** BMX: the World Championship **8.45** BMX: World Urban Games **9.45** Tennis: the Australian Open **10.45** Watts **11.00** Alpine Skiing **12 noon** Freestyle Skiing **1.00pm** Climbing: the World Championships from Hachioji, Japan **3.00** Cycling: the European Track Championships from Apeldoorn, the Netherlands **4.00** Cycling: Track World Championships from Pruszkow, Poland **5.00** Cycling: the Giro d'Italia **6.00** Athletics **8.00** Snooker **10.00** Darts **12 midnight** Judo: Qingdao Masters from China **12.40–7.00am** Watts

BT Sport 1

Sky 413 **Virgin** 527 **BT** 408 **HD** **BT** 430

7.00am Scottish Football **7.15** BT Sport Goals Reload **7.30** German Football Show **8.30** Non-League Football **9.00** Premier League World **9.30** Premier League Review **10.30** Early Kick-Off **11.00** BT Sport Score Best Bits **11.30** The Football Archives: 1986/87 (AD) **12 noon** The Football Archives: 1987/88 (AD) **12.30pm** The Football Archives: 1988/89 (AD) **1.00** Premier League World **1.30** Premier League Review **2.30** BT Sport Mic'd Up: Nick Cushing **3.00** Champions League Football: Stories of the Finals **3.15** Rugby Union **4.00** T20 Cricket **5.00** Big Bash Reload **5.15** Scottish Football **5.30** Early Kick-Off **6.00** Premier League Review **7.00** Premier League **8.30** BT Sport Score Best Bits **9.00** The Year of the Scab (AD) **10.30** Premier League Reload **10.45** Premier League World **11.15** Rugby Union: highlights **12 midnight** Premier League Review: 2004/05 (AD) **1.00am** Premier League: Best Goals 2004/05 (AD) **2.00** Premier League Review: 2005/06 (AD) **3.00** Premier League: Best Goals 2005/06 (AD) **4.00** Premier League Review: 2006/07 (AD) **5.00–6.00am** Premier League: Best Goals 2006/07 (AD)

BT Sport 2

Sky 414 **Virgin** 528 **BT** 409 **HD** **BT** 431

6.00am Sailing (AD) **6.30** Motor Racing **7.30** Rugby Union **10.00** Rugby Tonight **10.45** BT Sport Goals Reload **11.00** Australian Football **12 noon** Sailing to Tokyo (AD) **12.30pm** Yachting (AD) **1.00** This Magic Moment (AD) **3.00** French Football **4.00** German Football Show **5.00** BT Sport Goals Reload **5.30** Boxing: Dubois v Fujimoto **7.30** Non-League Football **8.00** T20 Cricket **9.00** UFC **12 midnight** UFC **1.00am** UFC Fight Flashback (AD) **1.30** UFC Reloaded **4.00** BT Sport Goals Reload **4.30–6.00am** Brothers in Exile (AD)

BT Sport 3

Sky 417 **Virgin** 529 **BT** 410 **HD** **BT** 432

6.00am French Football **10.00** BT Sport Goals Reload **10.30** Non-League Football **11.00** French Football **12 noon** Rugby Union **2.30pm** Italian Supercup **4.00** Scottish Football **5.00** Major League Baseball (AD) **6.00** Rugby Union **8.30** Rugby Union Tonight **9.15** Sailing to Tokyo (AD) **9.45** Yachting (AD) **10.15** Scottish Football **10.30** Poker **12.30am** Fishing (AD) **1.30** French Football **2.30** German Football Show **3.30–6.00am** Rugby Union

BT Sport ESPN

Sky 423 **Virgin** 530 **BT** 411 **HD** **BT** 434

6.00am ESPN FC **6.30 LIVE Basketball** Action from college basketball. **8.30** Tetris World Championship **9.30** American Football **3.30pm** Basketball **7.00** Tetris **8.00** American Football: college football action **1.00am LIVE American Football** The Hawaii Bowl from Honolulu. **4.30–6.00am** American Football: 150 years of college football

Eurosport 2

Sky 411 **Virgin** 522 **BT** 413 **HD** **BT** 436

6.00am Australian Superbikes **7.00** Le Mans 24 Hours **8.00** Cliff Diving **9.00** Snowboarding **10.00** Snooker **12 noon** Darts **2.00pm** Snooker **4.00** Football: Africa Cup of Nations **7.00** Climbing **9.00** BMX **11.30** Judo **12 midnight** Dakar Rally **12.30am** Le Mans 24 Hours **1.30** Judo **2.00** Alpine Skiing **3.00–6.00am** Motorcycling

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Christmas Day



LITTLE HELPERS
Valerie (Jennifer Kirby), Trixie (Helen George) and Lucille (Leonie Elliott) have their hands full

PICK OF THE DAY Call the Midwife *7.00pm* ***BBC1***

DRAMA There's snow on the mountains, deer on the hillsides and bagpipes on the soundtrack... We are clearly not in Poplar any more. The Nonnatus House midwives have forsaken the East End at Christmas for the Outer Hebrides.

This is entirely the doing of Mother Mildred (Miriam Margolyes, veering rather splendidly into Lady Whiteadder when she gets riled), who believes she's been called by God to set up a clinic in this remote part of Britain. As Trixie packs "one all-purpose cocktail frock in case of emergency", Sister Monica Joan (Judy Parfitt) bridles at being left behind.

Once the little group arrives, they're treated warmly enough by the locals, though their accommodation is chilly and unwelcoming. But, of course, this feature-length episode of the Christmas Day ratings howitzer will warm everyone's chestnuts. First, though, there's an emergency – to the lighthouse! **ALISON GRAHAM** *Miriam Margolyes: page 290*

The Snail and the Whale
2.30pm ***BBC1***

ANIMATION This charming film is so sweet it'll keep little ones quietly entranced for 30 minutes amid the wreckage of Christmas Day. Even the grown-ups will fall for the good heart that beats loudly in Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler's much-loved tale.

Sally Hawkins (*Paddington*) is the Snail who's grown restless with her life spent sitting on a rock with a lot of other snails. The Snail wants to see the world and to have exciting adventures. Luckily, her means of escape arrives when the Whale (Rob Brydon) swims into harbour and offers the Snail a ride on his tail.

The pair swim across the globe, relishing its delights, as they form a firm friendship. **AG** *See feature: p14*

Strictly Come Dancing
4.40pm ***BBC1***

ENTERTAINMENT It's the icing on the Christmas cake for *Strictly* fans because this year's celebrity line-up includes three former finalists. So while we don't expect Richard Arnold (who never scored more than 29 back in 2012) to be lifting the star-shaped trophy, prepare to be thrilled again by the nimble footwork of Debbie McGee, Gemma Atkinson and Joe Sugg (the latter two are dancing with their real-life partners Gorka Marquez and Dianne Buswell) as they twirl around the floor.

Chizzy Akudolu and Mark Wright complete the line-up.

JANE RACKHAM
See feature: page 9

Emmerdale, Coronation Street, EastEnders
7pm, 8pm ***ITV,*** *9.30pm* ***BBC1***

SOAP Place your bets: whose temper will fray earliest on Christmas Day in Soapland? Could it be Phil in *EastEnders*, who now knows all about Sharon and Keanu's affair? *Corrie's* Derek, who's armed and out for revenge against Gary at Winter Wonderland? Or will *Emmerdale's* Graham reach fever pitch before everyone else as he storms Home Farm's dinner?

My advice would be to lock all three in a room and slip turkey slices under the door until they calm down. Or kill each other. It's the only way the rest of us will get any peace.

DAVID BROWN

The Magic Flute from Glyndebourne
7.00pm ***BBC4***

MUSIC Coming anew to Mozart's joyful fantasy, directing/designing duo Renaud Doucet and André Barbe accused it of being "a racist and very sexist opera". Luckily, their Glyndebourne treatment isn't quite caught in a drear-hole of "wokeness", though they do freely update the original – to a Viennese hotel in the early 1900s with suffragists on the side, a novel take on "blackface" and clever stage effects.

Caroline Wettergreen is startling as the Queen of the Night (here a vexed hotel proprietor), while Ryan Wigglesworth conjures the period-instrument sound of the Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment.

PATRICK MULKERN



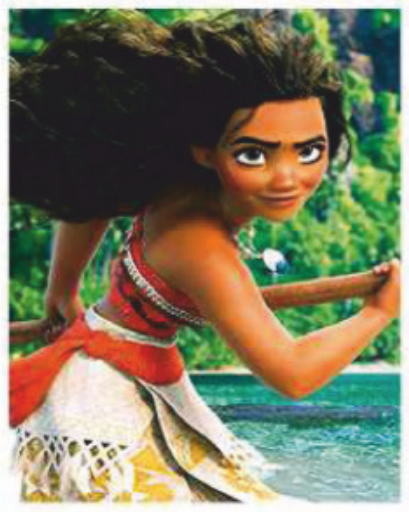
Children's Choices

How to Train Your Dragon: the Hidden World *6pm* ***Sky 1***

The impressive third part in the colourful animated franchise from DreamWorks based on Cressida Cowell's noughties books set in a Viking world. Pigeon-chested Hiccup earns renown by training rather than slaying a dragon, across the saga uniting man and beast.

Moana *12.55pm* ***BBC1***

The Polynesian vibe feels anything but tokenistic in Disney's *Moana*, as the writers researched Oceanic culture and hired Hawaiian storyliners to authenticate island legend. A chief's daughter, Moana, sails out to sea to end blight on her island by retrieving its "heart". Dwayne Johnson voices a redemptive tattooed demigod, while comic relief comes from Jemaine Clement's bling-obsessed crab. It's bright, shiny and verdant.



The Great Christmas Bake Off

7.10pm ***C4***

FOOD Even if you're stuffed after your blow-out Christmas lunch, might you manage a tiny slice of cake? Four bakers from earlier series (including pastry star baker Briony Williams from 2018 and Hollywood handshake recipient Chuen-Yan "Yan" from 2017) are competing in a set of festive challenges so this should be a tasty morsel. Then, putting the rock into cake, Status Quo perform that Christmas anthem, *Rockin' All over the World*.

There's another special on New Year's Day with the cast of *Derry Girls*. **JR**

Dolly Parton: Here I Am

8.30pm ***BBC2***

MUSIC She may project the image of a dumb blonde, but you should never underestimate Dolly Parton. As she says, "I'm not dumb and I'm not even blonde." She has a smart business brain, her songwriting is legendary, and when you dissect the lyrics, they often have a strong feminist streak.

This fabulous profile (followed by her 2014 Glastonbury performance) includes interviews with her *Nine to Five* co-stars Jane Fonda and Lily Tomlin, who're clearly massive fans, even though they reveal they never once saw her without her trademark wig. Not a glimpse of Carl Dean, her husband of 50 years, either. **JR**

Mrs Brown's Boys

10.30pm ***BBC1***

SITCOM Love it or swerve it, this show always scores a ratings smash for the Beeb on Christmas night. This year, creator/star Brendan O'Carroll serves up a broad pastiche on the classic movie *It's a Wonderful Life*. When Agnes falls out with her family and even best mate Winnie, she wishes she'd never been born. Cue Kevin Kennedy (yonks ago Curly in *Corrie*), who turns up as an unlikely "angel in training" to show Agnes how the Brown household would be without her meddling.

Expect amusing role reversals (Susie Blake rules the roost), buckets of corn and cockle-warming – and even a tasered bosom. As ever there's a closing singsong and a Christmas tree with a life of its own. **PM**



YULE LOVE IT! **James Corden, Joanna Page, Mathew Horne and Ruth Jones reunite**

Gavin & Stacey *8.30pm* ***BBC1***

SITCOM Don't worry: they haven't messed it up. When a sitcom is as cradled in our memories as *Gavin & Stacey*, reviving it a decade later is risky, but this is a triumph. It's lush. It's tidy. It's whatever Barry-based adjective you want to choose, and the cast pile back into their perfectly formed roles like Smithy tucking into a curry.

Pam (Alison Steadman) is fretting about spending Christmas in Barry because using Gwen's towels is "like drying yourself with Ryvita". Bryn (Rob Brydon) is clucking about having to cook Christmas dinner; and as for Gav and Stace themselves, you could say their marriage has been having a few too many silent nights.

From there, a deeply, daftly romantic plot unfolds. There are great songs (Nessa in fine voice), drunken debates about motorway service stations and that very *G&S* feeling that even as you're cackling with laughter, there's a tear in your eye. **DAVID BUTCHER** *See feature: page 10*

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Tales from the Tour Bus

iPlayer (expires today)

2, 3, 4! Rick Wakeman climbs into a Dodge Ram van for a 2015 documentary that reeks of brown ale, fry-ups and guitar strings. He revisits the golden age of British rock tours, which is roughly 1960 to 1985: Wilko Johnson, Suzi Quatro (above) and Peter Hook bring the salty anecdotes.



Cold Case Hammarskjold

iPlayer (expires today)

A bizarre, bewitching film about the death, in 1961, of UN secretary-general Dag Hammarskjold. Danish documentarist Mads Brugger and private investigator Goran Bjorkdahl (above) hunt for the truth, but the film becomes as much about them as it is the intriguing case. **JACK SEALE**

BEST LIVE SPORT

Test Cricket: Australia v New Zealand, second Test, day one *11.15pm* ***BT Sport 2*** In Australia, it's already Boxing Day, as the MCG hosts the traditional Test.

NBA *from 5pm* ***Sky Action/ Main Event*** Reigning champions Toronto Raptors face the Boston Celtics in the first of a five-game marathon from North America.

FILMS OF THE DAY

Finding Dory/ Jurassic World

3.10pm ***BBC1/****8.00pm* ***ITV2***

Dazzling sequels to *Finding Nemo* and the action-packed dinosaur classic.

See pages 80 and 81

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Christmas Day

DAYTIME

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast Presented by Naga Munchetty. (S) (HD)
8.55 Stick Man Julia Donaldson's story. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
9.25 Zog The misadventures of a dragon. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
9.50 Piper Pixar animation about a mother bird. (S) (HD)
10.00 LIVE Christmas Day Mass An act of worship from St Joseph's Catholic Church in Bradford, led by the Rev Christopher Angel. (S) (HD)
11.00 Wallace & Gromit: A Close Shave Gromit is framed for sheep rustling. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
11.35 Top of the Pops Christmas Performances by some of 2019's most successful acts. (S) (HD)
12.40pm BBC News Weather (S) (HD)
12.55 Moana ★★★★★ Animated musical adventure featuring the voices of Dwayne Johnson and Auli'i Cravalho. Ancient Polynesia: Moana, the future leader of her island community, sets sail on a perilous mission. **Review p80; Children's choice, p141.**
Directors Ron Clements and John Musker (2016, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
Signed repeat 1.30am BBC2
2.30–3.00 The Snail and the Whale A tiny snail with a burning desire to see the world forges an unlikely friendship with a giant humpback whale. **See page 140.** Repeated New Year's Day 2.05pm (S) (AD) (HD)

BBC2

6.00am Chimpanzee ★★★ Documentary charting a young chimp's struggle to survive.
Directors Alastair Fothergill and Mark Linfield (2012, U) (S) (W) (HD)
7.15 Rise of the Guardians ★★★★ Animation with the voice of Chris Pine. An evil bogeyman sets out to destroy the innocence of children.
Director Peter Ramsey (2012, PG) (S) (W) (AD) (HD)
8.40 Carols from King's The traditional service. **See choice, page 131.** Shown yesterday 5pm (S) (HD)
10.00 Inside the Christmas Factory A factory that makes 200,000 canapés every day. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
11.00 The Planets The stories of the planets nearest the Sun – Mercury, Venus, Earth and Mars. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
12 noon Dancing the Nutcracker: inside the Royal Ballet Cameras go behind the scenes. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
1.30–2.30pm Gareth Malone's Christmas Concert The choirmaster is invited to put on a concert for the staff at Watford General Hospital. Shown yesterday 9pm (S) (HD)

ITV

5.00am CITV For listings from 6am, see page 155
9.25 A Christmas Carol ★★ Computer-animated fantasy starring Jim Carrey. Miserly Ebenezer Scrooge is shown the error of his ways by three ghosts. Director Robert Zemeckis (2009, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
11.10 Countrywise: Winter Wonderland Ben Fogle climbs Helvellyn. Repeated 12 noon New Year's Day (R) (S) (HD)
11.55 Midsomer Murders Ghosts of Christmas Past. A family reunion leads to murder. (R) (S) (AD)
2.00pm Coronation Street at Christmas Cast members get nostalgic. Shown last Friday (S) (AD) (HD)
3.00–3.10 The Queen Her Majesty's address. (S) (HD)

Channel 4

5.30am Olive, the Other Reindeer Animation about a dog who sets out to save Christmas. (R) (S)
6.15 Rugrats Go Wild ★★ Animation. The children and their families get stranded on a desert island.
Directors Norton Virgien and John Eng (2003, U) (S) (W) (HD)
7.35 We're Going on a Bear Hunt A family sets off on an expedition in search of bears. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
8.05 The Bear Raymond Briggs animation. (R) (S) (AD)
8.40 The Simpsons Four episodes. (R) (S) (AD)
10.40 Ice Age ★★★ Animated comedy. A mammoth, a sloth and a sabre-toothed tiger become the unlikely guardians of a human infant. **Review p80.**
Directors Chris Wedge and Carlos Saldanha (2002, U) (S) (W) (HD)
12.15pm Father Christmas Animation. (R) (S) (AD)
12.45 The Snowman Poignant animation. (R) (S) (AD)
1.20 The Snowman and the Snowdog A boy is taken on a magical adventure to the North Pole. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
1.50 The Tiger Who Came to Tea Animation based on Judith Kerr's tale. **See choice, page 130.**
Shown yesterday 7.30pm (S) (AD) (HD) **See feature: p17**
2.25 The Alternative Christmas Message
The traditional counterpoint to the Queen's broadcast. (S)
2.30–2.35 Channel 4 News Sport; Weather (S) (HD)

BBC1



Gavin & Stacey *8.30pm* A pub trip on Christmas Eve proves an eye opener in more ways than one

3.00pm The Queen
Her Majesty's address to the nation and Commonwealth.
Signed repeat 4.30pm BBC2 (S) (HD)

3.10 Finding Dory ★★★★★
Pixar's animated sequel to *Finding Nemo*. Dory, a fish with short-term memory loss, searches for her long-absent parents. **Film of the Day: p80.**
Directors Andrew Stanton, Angus MacLane (2016, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

4.40 Strictly Come Dancing
Former contestants Debbie McGee, Chizzy Akudolu, Gemma Atkinson, Joe Sugg, Mark Wright and Richard Arnold return to challenge for the *Strictly* Christmas title. **See page 140.**
Director Nikki Parsons; Series producer Kim Allinson (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00 Michael McIntyre's Big Christmas Show
6/6 Series 5. Sharon Osbourne hands over her phone for Send to All and Craig Revel Horwood is rudely awakened to play the Midnight Gameshow.
Director Simon Staffurth; Series producer Christian Fletcher
Repeated tomorrow 11.50pm (S) (HD)

7.00 Call the Midwife
When Mother Mildred declares that God has called her to set up a branch house in the Outer Hebrides, the team that travel there soon have a battle on their hands – not just with the weather and bleak terrain, but also with suspicious islanders. **See p140.**

Sister Julienne	**Jenny Agutter**	Miss Millicent Higgins	**Georgie Glen**
Nurse Phyllis Crane	**Linda Bassett**	Reggie Jackson	**Daniel Laurie**
Sister Monica Joan	**Judy Parfitt**	Effie Tolmie	**Eilidh Fisher**
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Nurse Shelagh Turner	**Laura Main**	Mina MacLeod	**Kirsty Stuart**
Mother Mildred	**Miriam Margolyes**	Isla MacLeod	**Kayla Caldwell**
Nurse Valerie Dyer	**Jennifer Kirby**	Janet MacAskill	**Bobby Rainsbury**
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Violet Buckle	**Annabelle Apsion**	Jim Nickle	**Philip Cairns**
Fred Buckle	**Cliff Parisi**	Maggie Nickle	**Leah Byrne**
Sister Frances	**Ella Bruccoleri**	Donald "The Ferry"	**Jim Sweeney**
Sister Hilda	**Fenella Woolgar**	Voice of mature Jennifer Worth	
Angela Turner	**Alice Brown**		**Vanessa Redgrave**
May Tang	**April Rae Hoang**		

Writer Heidi Thomas
Producer Ann Tricklebank; Director Syd Macartney (S) (AD) (HD)

8.30 Gavin & Stacey
A tense Bryn is cooking Christmas dinner for more than 13 people, as the West and Shipman families gather in Barry. And Dawn learns something shocking about Pete. **See page 141.**
Writers Ruth Jones, James Corden; Director Christine Gernon; Producer Sarah Fraser Cast p200 Rptd Mon 30 December 10.30pm (S) (AD) (HD)

9.30 EastEnders
Having discovered Sharon and Keanu's secret, Phil puts his revenge plan into action. **See p140.**
Writer Pete Lawson Cast pages 170/200 (S) (AD) (HD)

10.30 Mrs Brown's Boys
A Wonderful Mammy. Mammy meets an "angel" who grants her wish to see what life would be like had she never been born. **See p141.**
Writer Brendan O'Carroll; Director Ben Kellett; Producers Ben Kellett, Sam Michell, Fiona Gibney Cast p220 Rptd Fri 27 December 10pm (S) (HD)

11.15 The Two Ronnies Christmas Sketchbook
The comedy duo pick their favourite festive sketches.
Executive producers Beatrice Ballard and Kevin Bishop (R) (S) (HD)

11.35 BBC News Weather (S) (HD)
Followed by **National Lottery Update** (S)

11.50 On Christmas Night The tale of Christ's birth from Luke's Gospel. Boys' choir Libera perform *Sing Lullaby*. (S) (HD)
11.55 Not Going Out Lucy's wallet and phone are stolen.
Shown Christmas Eve 10pm (S) (HD)
12.35am My Old Lady ★★★ Comedy drama with Maggie Smith. A hapless New Yorker inherits a Paris apartment. **Review p81.** Director Israel Horovitz (2014, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
2.15 Weather (S) (HD) **2.20–6.00am BBC News** (S) (HD)

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BBC2



Dolly Parton: Here I Am *8.30pm* How a young girl from the Smoky Mountains took Nashville by storm

2.30pm Scrooge ★★
Musical adaptation of *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens. It is Christmas Eve, and miserly Ebenezer Scrooge dismisses the joy around him as "humbug". Can visits from a host of Christmas spirits cause him to change his ways? **Review page 80.**

Ebenezer Scrooge	**Albert Finney**	Bob Cratchit	**David Collings**
Jacob Marley's Ghost	**Alec Guinness**	Tom Jenkins	**Anton Rodgers**
Ghost of Christmas Past	**Edith Evans**	Isabel	**Suzanne Neve**
Ghost of Christmas Present	**Kenneth More**	Portly gentleman	**Roy Kinnear**
		Nephew's friend	**Gordon Jackson**
Scrooge's nephew	**Michael Medwin**	Mrs Fezziwig	**Kay Walsh**
Fezziwig	**Laurence Naismith**		

Director Ronald Neame (1970, U) (W)

4.30 The Queen Shown 3pm BBC1 (S) (SL) (HD)

4.40 Raymond Briggs: Snowmen, Bogeymen and Milkmen
This moving portrait of the author and illustrator sees Briggs look back at his work, with contributions from Nick Park, Andy Serkis and Posy Simmonds.
Director/Producer Louise Lockwood (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

5.40 Upstart Crow
A Christmas Crow. As the Shakespeares' plans for a quiet family Christmas begin to unravel, Will's latest play is due to be performed before the Queen – but does *Eighth Night* need a little more work?
Writer Ben Elton; Director Richard Boden
Producer Gareth Edwards (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

6.20 Dad's Army
My Brother and I. In the 1975 Boxing Day special of the sitcom, Captain Mainwaring has to endure an unexpected and most unwelcome visitor. (R) (S)

7.00 Morecambe and Wise: a Perfect Christmas
Angela Rippon, Shirley Bassey and André Previn are among the host of stars appearing in this compilation.
Executive producer John Whiston (R) (S)

8.00 Christmas University Challenge
3/10. Famous graduates of UCL and Guildhall School of Music and Drama do intellectual battle. (S) (HD)

8.30 Dolly Parton: Here I Am
The singer takes viewers through some of her greatest songs, while musicians, co-writers, producers – and fans like Jane Fonda – explain why she is seen as one of the greatest songwriters of modern times. The film also follows her as she celebrates the 50th anniversary of her breakthrough performance at the Grand Ole Opry, and there is footage of that special performance. **See page 141.**
Director Francis Whately; Executive producers, Hannah Dodson, Justin Gorman and Dan McGaughey (S) (HD)
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10.00 Dolly Parton at Glastonbury 2014
The complete set by the "queen of country music". Featuring classics such as *Jolene, Coat of Many Colours, 9 to 5* and *I Will Always Love You*. **See p141.**
Producer Stephanie McWhinnie; Exec producer Alison Howe (R) (S) (HD)

11.10 Kylie at Glastonbury 2019
With a back catalogue of hummable hits stretching back over three decades, Kylie Minogue has no trouble whipping up a singalong with the huge crowd as she treats them to a spectacular show.
Executive producer Alison Howe (R) (S) (HD)

12.30am Merry Christmas Baby: with Gregory Porter and Friends The singer presents a seasonal mix of warm and joyful music with a jazz vibe. (R) (S) (HD)
1.30–3.05 Sign Zone: Moana ★★★★★ Animated adventure featuring the voice of Dwayne Johnson.
See page 141. Shown 12.55pm BBC1 (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

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Day 3. The North Yorkshire Moors Railway
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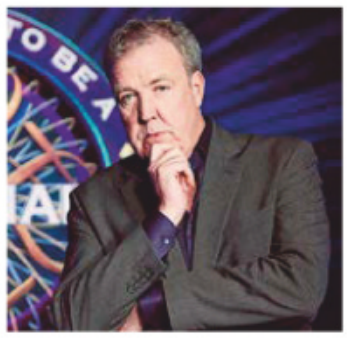

Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? *9.00pm* Can host Jeremy help the stars win a million for their charities?

3.10pm Shrek the Halls
Shrek's quiet Christmas with Fiona and the babies is sabotaged by old friends. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

3.40 The Chase: Bloopers 2019
Bradley Walsh presents a compilation of classic out-takes and blunders from the teatime quiz.
Shown yesterday 7.30pm (S) (HD)

4.40 ITV News Weather (S) (HD)

5.00 Tipping Point: Lucky Stars
Joe Pasquale, Rustie Lee and Nina Wadia will be hoping to land their charities a Christmas gift to remember. Hosted by Ben Shephard. (S) (HD)

6.00 The Chase Celebrity Special
Comedian Lucy Porter, reality star James "Arg" Argent, TV presenter Kate Thornton and life coach Nik Speakman attempt to foil the fancy-dress-clad Chasers by beating them down the game board and winning big sums for charity. Bradley Walsh hosts. (S) (HD)

7.00 Emmerdale
RT Someone gets a Christmas doorstep surprise, while Kim has malicious intent, and Graham's mood darkens. **See page 140.**
Writer Paul Roundell Cast pages 231/241
Repeated tomorrow 7.15am and 12.15pm ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Coronation Street
RT Derek lurches into the Rovers armed with a gun and looking for Gary. Seb comes to a decision about his future with Emma. Michelle makes plans to leave Weatherfield. **See p140.**
Writer Debbie Oates Cast pages 123/201
Repeated tomorrow 8.05am and 1.20pm ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? Celebrity Special
Sports broadcaster Clare Balding, actor Stephen Mangan and *Corrie's* Catherine Tyldesley enter the hot seat in a bid to win £1 million for their chosen charities. They'll have four lifelines to help them – one of which involves seeking the guidance of question master Jeremy Clarkson.
Director Richard Valentine; Series producer Kerri Reid
Repeated Sunday 29 December 3.25pm (S) (HD)

10.20 Gordon, Gino and Fred: Christmas Road Trip – 3 Unwise Men
Messrs Ramsay, D'Acampo and Sirieix embark on an adventure to discover the cuisine and culture of Morocco, travelling from the desert to the mountains, ending up deep inside the medina at Marrakesh. **See choice, p120.**
Shown Monday 9pm (S) (AD) (HD)

11.20 ITV News Weather (S) (HD)

11.40 Four Christmases ★★
Comedy. The potent mix of Christmas and relatives presents a special challenge for Kate and Brad, who are forced to visit all four of their divorced parents on Christmas Day. Along the way, they discover things about themselves and each other. **Review page 81.**

Brad	**Vince Vaughn**	Denver	**Jon Favreau**
Kate	**Reese Witherspoon**	Marilyn	**Mary Steenburgen**
Howard	**Robert Duvall**	Pastor Phil	**Dwight Yoakam**

Director Seth Gordon (2008, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.10am Britain's Top 100 Dogs A countdown of the most popular dog breeds in Britain. (R) (S) (HD)
3.10 Who's Doing the Dishes? TV vocal coaches Carrie and David Grant play host. (R) (S) (SL) (HD)
4.00 Nightscreen Text information. (HD)
5.05–6.00am Ainsley's Caribbean Kitchen Ainsley Harriott takes a culinary tour of Jamaica. (R) (S) (SL) (HD)

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The Great Christmas Bake Off *7.10pm* Paul, Prue, Noel and Sandi get ready for some tasting

2.35pm Back to the Future ★★★★★
Sci-fi comedy starring Michael J Fox and Christopher Lloyd. Student Marty McFly accidentally travels back in time. **Review p80.**
Director Robert Zemeckis (1985, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

4.55 Home Alone 2: Lost in New York
★★★ Comedy with Macaulay Culkin and Joe Pesci. Young Kevin McCallister finds himself separated from his family once more.
Director Chris Columbus (1992, PG) (S) (W) (HD)
Home Alone 3 is at 7.55pm on More4

7.10 The Great Christmas Bake Off
RT Joining Noel Fielding, Sandi Toksvig, Prue Leith and Paul Hollywood in the tent this year are Tom Hetherington and Chuen-Yan "Yan" from 2017 and Briony Williams and Terry Hartill from 2018, with the latter four competing in festive-themed challenges for the title of Christmas Star Baker. Status Quo will be ensuring there's some rock amidst all the rolls. *The Great Festive Bake Off* New Year's Day 7.40pm. **See page 141.**
Series producer Jenna Mansfield; Executive producers Letty Kavanagh, Richard McKerrow and Kieran Smith Rptd tomorrow 1.35pm C4 and Sat 28 December 4seven 8.35pm (S) (AD) (HD)

8.30 Jamie and Jimmy's Festive Feast
Rocketman actor Taron Egerton helps Jamie Oliver and Jimmy Doherty put on a festive feast in their pop-up bistro on Southend pier. As well as cooking his first ever Christmas dinner, he tries making "the world's best trifle" by following his mum's own special recipe. Meanwhile, Jimmy takes pigs in blankets to the next level, and the boys put in a shift at a free-range turkey farm. A new series of *Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast* Friday 3 January 8pm.
Series producer Anna Stickland; Exec producer Samantha Beddoes
Repeated tomorrow 7pm 4seven and Saturday 28 December 1.20pm C4 (S) (AD) (HD)

9.30 First Dates at Christmas
Eight singletons head to one of the cosiest pubs in the country, hoping to unwrap some Christmas romance. Among them is social media influencer Kieran, who is 25 and never been in love. Can student nurse Abi, 23, find the key to his heart?
Exec producer Jon Crisp; Series editor Neil Rubinstein Rptd tomorrow 1.10am 4seven and Thu 2 Jan 12.05am C4 (S) (AD) (HD)

10.30 Kylie's Secret Night
Kylie Minogue joins Alan Carr for a show filmed in front of an audience of unsuspecting fans. The fun includes Kylie sharing a cab with people who have no idea that her every move is being directed by Alan via an earpiece. She also drops in on a theatre group of adults with learning difficulties who regularly sing her tracks and performs reworked versions of her big hits.
Executive producer Kat Lennox; Series editor Lee Smithurst
Repeated New Year's Eve 10pm 4seven (S) (AD) (HD)

12 midnight Kylie's Golden Tour Kylie Minogue's smash hit tour filmed in 2018, packed full of hits including *Can't Get You Out of My Head*. Rptd New Year's Eve 11.35pm 4seven (S)
1.00am Slumdog Millionaire ★★★★ Oscar-winning drama starring Dev Patel and Freida Pinto. A teenager from the slums of Mumbai recalls how he ended up being one question away from winning the top prize on the Indian version of *Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?* English, Hindi, +subtitles. **Review page 81.**
Directors Danny Boyle, Loveleen Tandan (2008, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
3.05 The Supervet at Christmas A crossbreed puppy needs complex surgery. (R) (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)
4.00 Food Unwrapped A look at how supermarkets can sell lobster for as little as a fiver. (R) (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)
4.55–6.05am Kirstie's Handmade Christmas Four makers race against the clock to create a toy. (R) (S) (HD)
5.45 An advent calendar with a twist. (R) (S) (HD)

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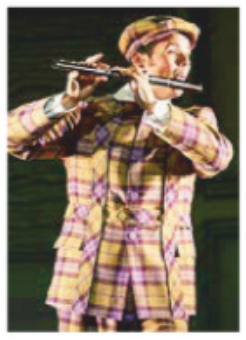

The Magic Flute from Glyndebourne *7.00pm* David Portillo stars in Mozart's opera

7.00pm The Magic Flute from Glyndebourne
RT The Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment conducted by Ryan Wigglesworth perform Mozart's two-act opera, staged earlier this year. Directed and designed by André Barbe and Renaud Doucet, it stars David Portillo. Prince Tamino sees the beautiful Pamina and falls instantly in love. But she has been kidnapped by Sarastro. So, with the help of bird-catcher Papageno, he sets out on a quest to find her. **See page 140.** (S) (HD)

Tamino	**David Portillo** (tenor)
Pamina	**Sofia Fomina** (soprano)
Papageno	**Björn Bürger** (baritone)
Queen of the Night	**Caroline Wettergreen** (soprano)
Sarastro	**Brindley Sherratt** (bass)

9.40 Detectorists
In the Christmas episode first shown in 2015, Lance has failed to detect even so much as a ring-pull in months, leaving Russell to suspect he has been cursed.

Lance	**Toby Jones**
Andy	**Mackenzie Crook**
Terry	**Gerard Horan**
Russell	**Pearce Quigley**
Hugh	**Divian Ladwa**
Louise	**Laura Checkley**
Varde	**Orion Ben**
Sheila	**Sophie Thompson**
Wayne	**Peter Slater**

Writer/Director Mackenzie Crook
Producer Adam Tandy (R) (S) (HD)

10.10 The Duchess ★★★
Historical drama. Following a marriage arranged by her mother, 17-year-old Georgiana Spencer looks forward to a privileged existence as the wife of the much older Duke of Devonshire. She soon discovers, however, that her aloof husband is more interested in his dogs and sleeping with the maids than sharing her company, and that her sole purpose in life is to provide him with a male heir. **Review page 81.**

Georgiana, Duchess of Devonshire	**Keira Knightley**
Duke of Devonshire	**Ralph Fiennes**
Bess	**Hayley Atwell**
Lady Spencer	**Charlotte Rampling**
Charles Grey	**Dominic Cooper**
Charles James Fox	**Simon McBurney**

Director Saul Dibb (2008, 12) (S) (W)

11.55 Inspector Montalbano
Series 1. **The Snack Thief.** The Sicilian detective investigates the killing of a local businessman. The victim's widow points the finger at his Tunisian lover, who has mysteriously disappeared. Soon Montalbano comes to believe the case is linked to another suspicious death which occurred that day. Another episode Saturday 28 December 10.30pm. Italian +subtitles. (R) (HD)
1.40am Tom Jones and Beverley Knight's Gospel Christmas The vocalists are joined by choirs and a house band from the gospel scene for a special evening of spiritually uplifting music. (R) (S) (HD)
2.40–3.40am What We Were Watching: Christmas 1979 Grace Dent immerses herself in the schedules of 40 years ago.
Shown Monday 23 December 8pm (S) (SL)

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As BBC2 until:
7.00pm Five Wishes: following members of Scottish Ballet as they head out into communities across Scotland to tackle five special requests **8.00** Inside Central Station: the tree is up, the Christmas shoppers are out and there is a very special visitor to the station concourse **9.00** Wha's like Us: a wry assessment of how Scots have been portrayed on film **10.00** The Comedians at the King's: with Fred MacAulay, Jo Caulfield, Janey Godley, Brian Higgins and Michael Redmond **10.30** Scot Squad: the Scottish Police Force aims to spread goodwill this Christmas **11.00** Still Game: Jack and Victor come to the aid of the community choir **11.30–12 midnight** The Edit: Tom Walker, Alexandra Burke and Lewis Capaldi join Amy Irons and David Farrell, reveaing how they spend Christmas

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Christmas Day

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The Two Ronnies: the Unseen Sketches *9.30pm* Classic laughs Down Under

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6.00am Milkshake! See page 155

8.10 *New.* Britain's Favourite Christmas Songs Repeated 6.40pm (S) (HD)

10.50 Celebrity Carols at Christmas A celebration of seasonal songs. Shown Sunday 5.10pm (S) (HD)

12.50pm *New.* Neighbours Repeated 6.15pm (S) (AD) (HD)

1.25 Scrooge ★★★★★ Classic version of Dickens's tale, starring Alastair Sim. On Christmas Eve, a tight-fisted businessman is visited by three ghosts, who remind him of the true spirit of the season. Director Brian Desmond-Hurst (1951, U) (S)

3.10pm Oliver! ★★★★ Oscar-winning film version of Lionel Bart's musical. Escaping a life of servitude, Oliver tries to seek his fortune in London, but instead of gold-paved streets he finds the roguish Fagin and his crime school for boys. **Review p80.**

Fagin	**Ron Moody**
Bill Sikes	**Oliver Reed**
Oliver	**Mark Lester**
Mr Bumble	**Harry Secombe**
Nancy	**Shani Wallis**

Director Carol Reed (1968, U) (S)

6.15 Neighbours Robert has escaped and is on the run. Shown 12.50pm (S) (AD) (HD)

6.40 Britain's Favourite Christmas Songs Counting down the nation's best-loved festive music, with artists, pundits and producers gleefully unwrapping the secrets and the stories behind the songs. Shown 8.10am (S) (HD)

9.30 *New.* The Two Ronnies: the Unseen Sketches Shortly before Ronnie Barker's retirement in 1986, he and Ronnie Corbett travelled to Sydney to rework some of their most famous UK sketches for an Australian audience. Here, for the first time, viewers in Britain have the chance to see the best of the comedy duo's work Down Under. Director Luke Worster; Exec producers Mark Wells, Laurie Mansfield Rptd New Year's Day 6.15pm (S) (HD)

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10.55 Classic Christmas Comedy Moments A compilation of memorable clips from favourites such as *The Morecambe & Wise Show*, *Mrs Brown's Boys*, *Absolutely Fabulous* and *The Office*. **See choice, page 120.** Director/Producer Verity Maidlow Cornwell Shown Monday 23 December 9pm (S) (HD)

12.25am Secrets of the Mega Christmas Buffet Shown Sun 22 December 9pm (S) (HD) **1.15 *New.*** Casino (S) (HD) **3.15 FILM** Junior ★★★ Comedy with Arnold Schwarzenegger (S) (W) (HD) **5.00–6.00am** The Funny Thing about Christmas (S) (HD)

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Elf *4.10pm* The perennial feelgood comedy returns for another year

F'view 6 **F'sat** 113 **Sky** 118 **Virgin** 115 **HD** **Virgin** 176

6.00am Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **6.50** Emmerdale Shown yesterday 7pm ITV (S) (AD) (HD) **7.10** Coronation Street Shown yesterday 8.30pm ITV (S) (AD) (HD) **7.35 FILM** The Santa Clause 3: the Escape Clause ★★★ (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **9.25** You've Been Framed Gold at Christmas! Harry's Naughty List (S) **9.50** Christmas Catchphrase (S) (HD) **10.50 FILM** Peter Pan ★★★ (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **1.00pm** You've Been Framed Gold at Christmas! (S) **2.00 FILM** The Grinch ★★★★ Fantasy. **Review p75** (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **4.10 FILM** Elf ★★★★ Comedy. **Review p75** (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

6.00pm Uncle Buck ★★★ Comedy starring John Candy and Macaulay Culkin. When fun-loving bachelor Buck has to look after his sharp young nephew and nieces while their parents are away, anything can happen. Director John Hughes (1989, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

8.00 Jurassic World ★★★★ Sci-fi adventure starring Chris Pratt and Bryce Dallas Howard. Over 20 years after the disaster at Jurassic Park, a new attraction is opened on the same site. This time the big draw is a beast genetically created by scientists. But is a more intelligent dinosaur really a good idea? **Film of the Day: page 81.** Director Colin Trevorrow (2015, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

10.30 Celebrity Juice With Paddy McGuinness, Gino D'Acampo, Stacey Solomon and Kelly Osbourne. (S) (HD)

11.35 Family Guy *Series 16.* Peter, running low on festive spirit, is visited by three ghosts. (S) (AD) (HD) **12.05am** *Series 15.* Peter and Lois decide not to vaccinate Stewie. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.30 American Dad! (S) (AD) (HD) **1.30** The Cleveland Show (S) (AD) (HD) **1.55** Plebs (S) (AD) (HD) **2.30 FILM** Fifty Shades of Grey ★★ Erotic drama (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **4.30** Educating Joey Essex: the American Reem (S) (HD) **5.20** The Planet's Funniest Animals (S) **5.45–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

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F'view 24 **F'sat** 117 **Sky** 120 **Virgin** 118 **HD** **Virgin** 178

6.00am World of Sport (S) (HD) **6.10** The Car Chasers (S) (SL) (HD) **6.35 *New.*** British Superbikes (S) (HD) **8.25** Goodwood Festival of Speed (S) (HD) **9.25** When English Football Ruled Europe (S) (HD) **11.30** Only When I Laugh

12 noon Merry Christmas Mr Bean (AD) (HD) **12.30pm** Made in Britain (S) (AD) (HD) **1.35 FILM** The Sting ★★★★★ Period crime caper. **Review page 90** (S) (W) (HD) **4.10 FILM** Spartacus ★★★★★ Historical epic starring Kirk Douglas. **Review page 80** (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

8.00pm FILM Rocky II ★★★ Boxing drama starring Sylvester Stallone. With no job and no future, Rocky Balboa's only chance is to return to the ring. (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **10.25 FILM Tremors** ★★★★★ Comedy horror starring Kevin Bacon and Fred Ward. A remote town is threatened by something under the desert sand. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.30am The Professionals: a woman is terrorised by a masked stalker (S) (AD) **1.30** Football Genius (S) (HD) **2.00** Minder (S) (SL) (AD) **3.00** The Americans (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Nightscreen (HD) **4.15** Minder (S) (SL) (AD) **5.10–6.00am** The Sweeney (S) (SL)

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Carry On Matron *3.45pm* Sister (Jacki Piper) and Sid (Sid James)

F'view 10 **F'sat** 115 **Sky** 119 **Virgin** 117 **HD** **Virgin** 177

6.00am The Royal (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** George and Mildred (S) **7.35** Rising Damp (S) **8.05** Agatha Christie's Poirot (S) (HD) **10.25 FILM** Carry On Abroad ★★ Comedy (S) (AD) (W)

12.10pm FILM Carry On Again Doctor ★★★★ Comedy (S) (AD) (W) **1.55 FILM** Carry On at Your Convenience ★★ Comedy (S) (AD) **3.45 FILM** Carry On Matron ★★★ Comedy with Sidney James (S) (AD) (W)

5.30pm Carry On Camping ★★★ Comedy starring Sidney James, Kenneth Williams and Joan Sims. Sid Boggle and Bernie Lugg think they are taking their girlfriends to a nudist colony, but Paradise Camp is about to disappoint. Director Gerald Thomas (1969, PG) (S) (AD) (W)

7.15 Carry On Up the Khyber ★★★★ Comedy. India, 1895: In the North-West Frontier province, the villainous Khasi of Kalabar plans a rebellion against the governor, Sir Sidney Ruff-Diamond. Only the presence of that dreaded Highland regiment the Third Foot and Mouth, also known as the Devils in Skirts, can foil the Khasi's dastardly plot.

Sir Sidney Ruff-Diamond	**Sidney James**
Khasi of Kalabar	**Kenneth Williams**
Private James Widdle	**Charles Hawtrey**
Captain Keene	**Roy Castle**
Lady Ruff-Diamond	**Joan Sims**

Director Gerald Thomas (1968, PG) (S) (AD) (W)

9.00 Carry On Doctor ★★★ Comedy with Frankie Howerd, Sidney James and Kenneth Williams. A charlatan who lectures on mind over matter finds himself in a chaotic hospital. Director Gerald Thomas (1968, PG) (S) (AD) (W)

10.50 Carry On Girls ★★ Comedy starring Sidney James, Joan Sims and Kenneth Connor. A beauty contest is faced with fervent opposition. Director Gerald Thomas (1973, PG) (S) (W)

12.40am Agatha Christie's Poirot (S) (HD) **1.45** Inspector Morse (S) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** Nightscreen

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F'view 26 **F'sat** 118 **Sky** 131 **Virgin** 119 **HD** **Virgin** 179

6.00am Bring It! (HD) **7.35** The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills (S) (HD) **8.30** Income Property (S) (HD) **9.00** LittleBe (HD)

12 noon Cake Wars (S) (HD) **12.55pm** The Only Way Is Essexmas (S) (HD) **1.55** Celebrity Dinner Date: four editions (S) (HD)

6.00pm Celebrity Dinner Date Imogen Thomas chooses three dates. **7.00** Featuring *Towie* star Bobby Norris. **8.00** Ester Dee is wined and dined. (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00 Totally Unbelievable** A countdown of the most inspiring celebrity bodies. (S) (HD) **10.00 Botched** Dr Nassif attempts to fix a former boxer's nose. (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00 Botched: Most Outrageous Rejects** A top-ten countdown. (S) (AD) (HD) **11.30 Chrisley Knows Best** The Chrisleys celebrate the holiday season. (HD) **11.55 Mob Wives: the Last Stand** Marissa and Brittany turn on each other. (S) (HD) **12.50am** Ang receives news that exposes the issues in her relationship with Neil. (S) (HD) **1.40** Vanderpump Rules (S) (HD) **3.15** Bachelor in Paradise **5.30–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

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Death in Paradise *9.00pm* Mary (Wendy Craig) pays her nephew a visit

Freeview 20 **Freesat** 158 **Sky** 143 **Virgin** 130

7.10am Birds of a Feather **7.45** Soldier Soldier (S) **9.40** Classic Holby City **10.40** The Bill (S) **12.40pm** Classic EastEnders: double bill **2.00** Call the Midwife (S) (AD) (HD)

6.10pm An Inspector Calls Drama based on the play by JB Priestley. The mysterious "Inspector Goole" interrupts a wealthy family's party to tell them a young woman committed suicide that night. But what does the death have to do with them? One by one, they find out – as their dark secrets are revealed. (S) (HD)

The Inspector	**David Thewlis**
Sybil Birling	**Miranda Richardson**
Arthur Birling	**Ken Stott**
Eva	**Sophie Rundle**
Edna	**Lucy Chappell**

8.00 Father Brown ***5/15*** *Series 3.* **The Last Man** Kembleford's new cricket captain is framed for murder and Father Brown must prove his innocence. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Death in Paradise ***5/8*** *Series 5.* **Lost Identity.** When Humphrey's Aunt Mary pays a visit, she finds herself the only witness to the death of another tourist. JP is left confused after seeking advice from Dwayne. (S) (AD) (HD)

DI Humphrey Goodman	**Kris Marshall**
Officer Dwayne Myers	**Danny John-Jules**
DS Florence Cassell	**Joséphine Jobert**
Officer JP Hooper	**Tobi Bakare**
Mary Goodman	**Wendy Craig**

10.20 Silent Witness ***5/5*** *Series 19.* **River's Edge.** The Lyell team investigate the murder of a family shot while picnicking by a river, and discover the female victim was in the throes of a bitter divorce. Local detective Malcolm Guillam is brought in and, finding the case reminiscent of an unsolved one that still haunts him, he senses an opportunity to redeem himself. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.55am The White Princess (S) (AD) (HD) **2.15–4.00am** The Heart Guy (HD)

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F'view 19 **F'sat** 157 **Sky** 111 **Virgin** 127 **HD** **Virgin** 227 **BT** 387

7.10am Modern Wheels or Classic Steals (S) (HD) **7.35** Soapbox Race (HD) **8.25** Expedition with Steve Backshall (S) (AD) (HD) **9.25** Top Gear: Top Fails (AD) **10.25** Top Gear Winter Olympics Special (S) (AD) **11.30** Top Gear: Burma Special (S) (AD) (HD) **2.05pm** Top Gear India Special (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Top Gear: Polar Challenge (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00 *New.*** Top Gear: Top Fails (AD)

6.00pm Soapbox Race From Rome. (HD) **7.00 World's Most Dangerous Roads** The eastern coast of Madagascar. (S) (HD) **8.00 QI XL** With guests Jo Brand, Phill Jupitus and Brendan O'Carroll. (S) (HD) **9.00 Would I Lie to You?** With John Bishop, Chris Addison and Joanna Page. (S) **9.40 Would I Lie to You? – The Unseen Bits** A compilation of unseen material. (S) **10.20 Mock the Week** Best bits. (HD) **11.00 Taskmaster *1/5*** *Series 3.* With Dave Gorman, Rob Beckett and Sara Pascoe. (S) (HD)

12 midnight Have I Got a Bit More Old News for You (S) (HD) **1.00am** QI XL (S) (HD) **2.15** Would I Lie to You? (S) (HD) **3.20–4.00am** Mock the Week (S) (HD)

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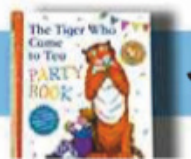

Judith Kerr's **The Tiger Who Came to Tea *Party Book*** See p58

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The Beatles: Eight Days a Week – the Touring Years *9.00pm* The Fab Four

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8.55am Kirstie's Handmade Christmas (S) (HD) **9.10 FILM** White Christmas ★★★★★ Musical starring Bing Crosby. **Review p73** (S) (AD) (HD) **11.30** The 100 Greatest Musicals (S) (HD) **2.15pm FILM** Romancing the Stone ★★★★ Comedy adventure with Michael Douglas (S) (HD) **4.25** Escape to the Château (S) (AD) (HD)

5.25pm The Longest Day ★★★★
War drama starring John Wayne, Robert Mitchum, Henry Fonda and Robert Ryan. Normandy, 6 June 1944: as the task of preparing for D-Day draws to a close, the Allied commanders await suitable conditions. English, German +subtitles.
Directors Andrew Marton, Ken Annakin, Bernhard Wicki (1962) (BW) (S) (W) (HD)
Also showing New Year's Eve 5.30pm

9.00 The Beatles: Eight Days a Week – the Touring Years ★★★★
Documentary tracing the Fab Four's years as a live band. **Review page 81.**
Director Ron Howard (2016, 12) (S) (W) (HD)

11.10 24 Hours in A&E
A man severs four fingers. (S) (AD) (HD) **12.15am** A woman is trampled. (S) (AD) (HD) **1.15** Eight out of Ten Cats Does Countdown (S) (HD) **2.20** 24 Hours in A&E (S) (AD) (HD) **3.25–3.55am** Father Ted (S) (AD)

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6.00am Ice Age: a Mammoth Christmas (AD) **6.30** Celebrity Come Dine with Me **8.55** The Great Festive Bake Off (AD) **10.20 FILM** Dr Dolittle 2 ★★ Fantasy comedy (W) **12 noon** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **1.00pm** The Goldbergs (AD) **2.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine (AD) **3.00** The Big Bang Theory (AD)

6.00pm FILM How to Train Your Dragon ★★★★ Animated comedy adventure with the voices of Jay Baruchel and Gerard Butler. A teenage Viking boy forms a special bond with a dragon – much to the consternation of the rest of his clan, who regard the beasts as mortal enemies. **Review page 80.** (AD) (W) **7.55 FILM Home Alone 3 ★★★** Comedy starring Alex D Linz. A stolen computer chip is hidden in a toy, leaving a boy with chicken pox contending with four industrial spies. (W) **9.50 The Inbetweeners *3/6*** *Series 1.* A trip to a theme park singularly fails to go to plan. **10.20 *4/6.*** Will finds himself a girlfriend. **10.55 *5/6*.** The lads go caravanning. **11.25 *6/6*.** Will plans the Christmas prom. (AD) **12 midnight** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **12.55am** Gogglebox (SL) (AD) **2.00** Naked Attraction (AD) **3.00** The Inbetweeners (SL) (AD) **3.55** The Goldbergs (AD) **4.45–6.00am** School of Rock

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9.00am Come Dine with Me: triple bill **12 noon** Celebrity Come Dine with Me **2.30pm** A Place in the Sun **3.30** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun **6.30** The Tiger Who Came to Tea **See choice, p130** Shown Tue 24 7.30pm C4 **7.00** Kirstie's Handmade Christmas (AD) **8.00** Escape to the Château (AD) **9.00** Celebrity Gogglebox 2019 (AD) **10.00 FILM** Daddy's Home Two ★★★ **Review p71** (AD) (W) **12 midnight** Eight out of Ten Cats Does Countdown **1.05am** The Great Christmas Bake Off (AD) **2.30–5.00am** Celebrity Come Dine with Me

Paramount Network 54



Les Misérables *9.00pm* Will there be a happy ending for Marius and Cosette?

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9.00am Access (S) (HD) **9.10** The Office US (HD) **9.40** Now That's Funny! (S) (HD) **11.45 FILM** Christmas Bells Are Ringing ★★ (HD) **1.30pm FILM** It's Time for Me to Come Home for Christmas ★★ Romance (HD) **3.20 FILM** A Very Nutty Christmas ★★ Comedy fantasy (HD) **5.05 FILM** A Heavenly Christmas ★★ Drama with Kristin Davis (HD)

7.00pm The Christmas Train ★★★
Romantic drama. A jaded writer embarks on a train journey during which he bumps into an old flame.
Director Ron Oliver (2017) (HD)

9.00 Les Misérables ★★★
Period musical. In post-revolutionary France, a criminal tries to make amends for his past by raising a young girl as his own. But the policeman who first put him away is unconvinced by the transformation and is determined to expose him.

Jean Valjean	Hugh Jackman
Fantine	Anne Hathaway
Inspector Javert	Russell Crowe
Marius	Eddie Redmayne
Cosette	Amanda Seyfried

Director Tom Hooper (2012, 12) (HD)

12.05am FILM Staying Alive ★★ Dance drama (HD) **2.00** LA to Vegas (HD) **5.00** Neighbours (S) (AD) (HD) **5.30** Access (S) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** The Office US (HD)

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7.00am Terry Pratchett's Hogfather (AD) **11.00** Nothing to Declare **12 noon** Nothing to Declare UK **5.00pm** UK Border Force **6.00** Michael Bublé's Christmas in Hollywood: the Canadian crooner's seasonal soirée comes from Los Angeles, where he is joined by guests Celine Dion, Jay Leno, Eva Longoria, Tori Kelly and William Shatner **7.00** A Kylie Christmas: a mix of seasonal favourites and classic hits **9.00** Bee Gees: One Night Only: the Gibb brothers perform their greatest hits at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas in 1997, and are joined by Celine Dion on the song *Immortality* **11.15** The Force: Manchester: five editions (AD) **4.00am** Road Wars **5.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol

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Sony Channel 48

Freeview 48 *(limited)* Freesat 142 Sky 157 Virgin 189

6.00am The Waltons **7.00** The Waltons' Crisis **9.00 FILM** A Day for Thanks on Waltons Mountain ★★ **11.00 FILM** Mother's Day on Waltons Mountain ★★ **1.00pm** M*A*S*H **3.00** MASH: Reunion Special **4.45** Memories of M*A*S*H **6.10** M*A*S*H **6.40** M*A*S*H Finale: Goodbye, Farewell, Amen **9.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? **12 midnight** M*A*S*H **3.30am** The Waltons **4.20** Touched by an Angel **5.10–6.00am** Highway to Heaven

Sony Channel +1 Freesat 152 Sky 257

Horror Channel 70

Freeview 70 Freesat 138 Sky 317 Virgin 149

8.00am seaQuest DSV **9.00** Star Trek: Voyager **10.00** Star Trek **11.00** The Andromeda Strain **2.35pm** Tales from the Darkside **3.00** Sliders **4.00 FILM** F6: Twister ★★ Disaster thriller starring Casper Van Dien **5.50** Highlights **6.00pm** Star Trek **7.00** Star Trek: Voyager **8.00** Mutant X **9.00 FILM** A Christmas Horror Story ★★ Portmanteau horror starring William Shatner **11.00 FILM** Dracula ★★★★★ Classic horror with Peter Cushing and Christopher Lee. **Review p81** **12.35am FILM** The Curse of Frankenstein ★★★★ Horror **2.10 FILM** Extinction ★★ Horror drama **4.20–4.30am** Highlights

5 USA 21

Freeview 21 Freesat 129 Sky 141 Virgin 153

9.00am Access **9.10** CSI: NY **10.50** CSI: Miami **11.50** Murder, She Wrote (S) **1.50pm** Columbo: the Most Crucial Game (S) **3.30** Columbo: a Deadly State of Mind (S) **5.00** Columbo: by Dawn's Early Light (S) **7.05** NCIS (S) **8.00** NCIS Movie: Death Wish (S) **9.40** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit: *Series 16.* Triple bill. Carisi's future brother-in-law accuses his female parole officer of rape **10.35** A female student claims to have been assaulted by four men **11.35** A high-school sex party sparks a vaccination debate (S) (AD) **12.35am** CSI: Miami (S) (AD) **3.30–4.00am** Criminals: Caught on Camera

5 USA +1 F'view 57 (not 2-4am) F'sat 130 Sky 241 Virgin 185

5 Star 30

Freeview 30 Freesat 131 Sky 128 Virgin 151

8.00am Christmas with Mariah Carey (S) **8.45 FILM** The Snow Queen ★★ Animated adventure (S) **10.20 FILM** Junior ★★★ Comedy starring Arnold Schwarzenegger. **Review page 80** (S) **12.35pm FILM** Twins ★★★★ Comedy (S) **2.45 FILM** Evan Almighty ★★★ Comedy fantasy (S) **4.40 FILM** Practical Magic ★★ Romantic black comedy (S) **6.50 FILM** Jack the Giant Slayer ★★ Fantasy adventure starring Nicholas Hoult and Ewan McGregor (S) **9.00 FILM** The Hand That Rocks the Cradle ★★★★ Thriller starring Annabella Sciorra and Rebecca De Mornay (S) **11.15 FILM** Indecent Proposal ★★★★ Drama starring Robert Redford, Demi Moore and Woody Harrelson (S) **1.40am** Most Shocking Christmas TV Moments (S) **3.50–4.00am** Access

5 Star +1 Freeview 56 Sky 228 Virgin 186

5 Spike 31

Freeview 31 Freesat 141 Sky 150 Virgin 154

9.00am The A-Team (AD) (HD) **9.55 FILM** Denver & Rio Grande ★★★ Western **11.50 FILM** The War Lover ★★★ War drama (BW) (HD) **2.00pm FILM** The Nevadan ★★ Western (HD) **3.45 FILM** Copper Canyon ★★★ Western (HD) **5.25 FILM** Dances with Wolves ★★★★★ Epic western starring Kevin Costner. English, Sioux +subtitles. **Review p80** (HD) **9.00 FILM** Kickboxer ★★★ Martial arts adventure starring Jean-Claude Van Damme. **Review p80** (HD) **10.55 FILM** Wild Card ★★ Crime thriller (HD) **1.00am** Fights, Camera, Action! (HD) **2.00–3.00am** Knight Rider

5 Spike +1 Sky 250

5 Select 55

Freeview 55 Freesat 133 Sky 159 Virgin 152

9.00am Criminals: Caught on Camera **9.20** The Two Ronnies: in Their Own Words **11.25** Tommy Cooper: in His Own Words **1.30pm** Inside Sandringham: Holidaying with the Queen **3.00** The World's Most Scenic Railway Journeys: six editions **9.00 FILM** Steptoe and Son Ride Again ★★ Comedy starring Wilfrid Brambell and Harry H Corbett. Rag-and-bone-men Albert and Harold put their carthorse into retirement **11.05** The Double Life of George Michael **1.10am** Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords **2.05** The Incredible Hulk Woman: Extraordinary People **3.05** CSI: Miami **3.55–4.00am** Access

CBS Justice 39

Freeview 39 Freesat 137 Sky 148 Virgin 192

9.00am Diagnosis Murder **11.00** Matlock **12 noon** Perry Mason **1.05pm** Walker, Texas Ranger **2.05** CSI: Miami **3.00** NCIS **5.00** Matlock **6.00** Perry Mason **7.05** NCIS **8.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **9.00** CSI: NY: a body is found dumped on a subway track **10.00** NCIS **12 midnight** CSI: Miami **1.00am** CSI: NY **2.00** Gunsmoke **3.05** Bonanza **4.50–6.00am** Mission: Impossible

CBS Drama 71

Freeview 71 Freesat 134 Sky 147 Virgin 197

9.00am Medium **10.00** ER **11.00** The Love Boat **12 noon** Judge Judy **1.00pm** Bonanza **3.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **4.00** Unsolved Mysteries **6.00pm** The Love Boat **7.00** JAG **8.00** Judge Judy **9.00** Medium: Joe returns to the office **10.00** CSI: Miami **11.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **12 midnight** Judge Judy **1.00am** ER **2.00** Medium **3.00** CSI: Miami **4.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **5.00–6.00am** Unsolved Mysteries

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Yesterday 25

Freeview 25 Freesat 159 Sky 155 Virgin 129

6.00am WW2 Price of Empire (S) (HD) **8.00** The World at War (S) (HD) **11.00** TOTP (S) **1.00pm** TOTP2: the 60s (S) **3.00** TOTP (S) **5.00** TOTP2: the 60s (S) **7.00** Underground Worlds: a look at some of Switzerland's 300,000 subterranean bunkers (S) (HD) **8.00** Abandoned Engineering: the vast monolithic structures that dominate Guernsey (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Bangers and Cash: a 1952 Jowett Javelin finds an unexpected home (S) (HD) **10.00** Train Truckers: a four-day mission to deliver two classic steam locomotives (S) (HD) **11.00** Steam Train Britain (S) (AD) (HD) **12 midnight** War Factories (S) (HD) **1.00–3.00am** World's Greatest Palaces (S) (AD) (HD)

Yesterday +1 Sky 255 Virgin 200

Really 17

Freeview 17 Freesat 160 Sky 142 Virgin 128

6.00am Homes under the Hammer (HD) **7.00** Home Shopping **8.00** DIY SOS at Great Ormond Street Hospital (HD) **9.00** DIY SOS: Million Pound Build for Children in Need (HD) **10.00** DIY SOS: the Big Build (HD) **1.00pm** DIY SOS at Great Ormond Street Hospital (HD) **2.00** DIY SOS: Million Pound Build for Children in Need (HD) **3.00** DIY SOS: the Big Build (HD) **7.00** Antiques Road Trip (HD) **9.00** Helicopter ER (HD) **10.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad (HD) **11.00** Ghost Adventures: Hauntings of Vicksburg (HD) **12 midnight** Unexplained: Caught on Camera (HD) **1.00am** Help! My House Is Haunted (HD) **2.00** Home Shopping **4.00–6.00am** Antiques Road Trip (HD)

Home 42

Freeview 42 Freesat 166 Sky 158 Virgin 279

7.00am My Dream Derelict Home (HD) **6.00pm** My Dream Derelict Home: triple bill. A couple hoping to create a country home in Shropshire **7.00** A couple try to transform a servants' training school **8.00** An investment manager tries to transform a threshing barn (HD) **9.00** Fixer Upper: after falling in love with a house she had shown to other clients, Joanna surprises Chip by suggesting they buy the property (HD) **10.00** DIY SOS: Homes for Veterans: double bill (HD) **12 midnight** Fixer Upper (HD) **1.00am** DIY SOS: Homes for Veterans (HD) **3.00–4.00am** Nick Knowles's Original Features

Home +1 Sky 258 Virgin 283

Quest 12

F'view 12 F'sat 172 Sky 144 Virgin 169 HD F'view 114 F'sat 167

6.00am Outback Truckers (HD) **12 noon** Railroad Australia (HD) **4.00pm** Mighty Trains (AD) (HD) **6.00 *New.*** Highland Railway: a journey along Scotland's 84-mile stunning scenic route from Fort William to Mallaig (HD) **8.00** Salvage Hunters: Drew Pritchard unearths a steel corpus of Christ on the cross (HD) **9.00 *New.*** Salvage Hunters: salvage hunter Drew Pritchard and his sidekick Tee get access to a recently-closed department store (HD) **10.00** Salvage Hunters: the Restorers: efforts are made to restore a Second World War RAF hero's bomber jacket (HD) **11.00** How Do They Do It?: two editions (HD) **12 midnight** Wheeler Dealers (AD) (HD) **1.00am** Chasing Classic Cars (HD) **2.00** Wheels That Fail (HD) **3.00** Destroyed in Seconds **4.00** Swamp Loggers (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Overhaulin'

Quest +1 F'view 76 (7pm-4am) F'sat 168 Sky 244 Virgin 213

Challenge 46

Freeview 46 Freesat 146 Sky 151 Virgin 164

7.00am The Chase: nine back-to-back editions **4.00pm** The Chase Celebrity Special: five back-to-back editions **9.00** The Chase **10.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?: Chris Tarrant hosts a line-up of famous faces playing for charity (AD) **12 midnight** TV's Greatest Gameshows: Roy Walker is joined by celebs and past competitors to explore what makes game shows great **2.00am** Bullseye **4.30–6.00am** Winter Wipeout

Challenge +1 Freesat 147 Sky 251 Virgin 230

BBC Parliament 232

Freeview 232 Freesat 201 Sky 504 Virgin 605

6.00am Bercow **6.25** as 5.45pm **6.55** Highlights **7.55** as 9pm **8.10** as 5.35pm **8.20** Reflections **8.50** Highlights **9.50** Booktalk **10.05** Lectures **10.35** Welsh FMQs **11.35** BOOKtalk **11.50** Reflections **12.20pm** Highlights **1.20** BOOKtalk **1.35** Lectures **2.05** Highlights **3.05** BOOKtalk **3.20** Reflections **3.50** Highlights **4.20** Mayor's QT **5.20** BOOKtalk **5.35** Prime Properties **5.45** Lectures **6.15** Highlights **7.15** BOOKtalk **7.30** Reflections **8.00** Highlights **9.00** BOOKtalk **9.15** Lectures **9.45** European Parliament **10.45** as 5.35pm **10.55** Awards **11.20** Reflections **11.50** BOOKtalk **12.05–6.00am** Highlights

BBC News Freeview 231 Freesat 212 Sky 503 Virgin 601 Sky News Freeview 233 Freesat 202 Sky 501 Virgin 603

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Christmas Day



Cinderella: After Ever After *5.00pm* A fairy-tale farce

Sky 1

Sky 106 **Virgin** 110 HD **Virgin** 109

6.00am Moominvalley (HD) **7.00** It's Christmas Live from the Royal Albert Hall (HD) **9.00** Football's Funniest Moments (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Harry Potter: a Who's Who Of The Wizarding World (HD) **12 noon** How to Train Your Dragon: Homecoming (HD) **12.30pm** The Christmas Letter (HD) **1.00** The Simpsons (S) (HD) **3.00** The Queen (HD) **3.15** The Simpsons (S) (HD) **5.00** Cinderella: After Ever After (S) (HD)

6.00pm How to Train Your Dragon: the Hidden World ★★★★ P Animated fantasy adventure. Viking warrior Hiccup and his dragon protect their village from a dark threat. **Review p80.** (W) (HD)

8.00 The Simpsons (S) (HD)

9.00 A League of Their Own's Christmas Holiday A series of traditional Austrian challenges. (HD)

10.00 The Simpsons Bart goes missing. (HD) **10.30** Homer surprises Marge. **11.00** Bart asks Martin for help. **11.30** Bart causes a crisis. (S) (HD)

12 midnight Micky Flanagan's Christmas (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00am** Premier League's Greatest Moments (S) (HD) **3.00** The Russell Howard Christmas Hour (HD) **4.00** Road Wars (S) (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Snake Boss (S) (HD)

Sky 1 +1 **Sky** 206

Sky Arts

Sky 122 **Virgin** 123 HD **Virgin** 156

6.00am Queen: Live at the Rainbow **7.45** Classic Albums (S) **8.45** Queen Rock Montreal (S) (HD) **10.45** Queen: Live in Milton Keynes (S) **11.45** Queen: Live in Rio (S) **1.00pm** Queen: Hungarian Rhapsody: Live in Budapest (S) (HD) **3.00** Queen: Live at Wembley (S) **4.15** Queen: the Magic Years (S) **5.30** Bohemian Rhapsody: Special (HD)

6.00pm Freddie Mercury: the Tribute Concert The 1992 concert at Wembley Stadium in honour of the Queen frontman, including performances by David Bowie, Elton John, Annie Lennox and George Michael. (S)

7.45 Queen: the Phenomenon Profile of the rock group, combining archive interviews with performance footage, from their beginnings in the 1970s to the death of lead singer Freddie Mercury in 1991. (S) (AD)

9.00 Freddie Mercury: the Great Pretender The life of the Queen frontman, exploring his time away from the band. (S) (HD)

10.45 Queen: from Rags to Rhapsody Documentary following the rock band's early years, from the initial forming of the group through to the release of *Bohemian Rhapsody*. (HD)

12 midnight Queen and Adam Lambert: the Show Must Go On (S) (HD) **1.45am** Video Killed the Radio Star (S) (HD) **2.15** Freddie Mercury: the Tribute Concert (S) **4.00** Classic Albums (S) **5.00–6.00am** Discovering: Queen (S) (HD)



The Bachelor King *6.30pm* The lives of king penguins

Sky Atlantic

Sky 108

6.00am Storm City (S) (AD) (HD) **6.55** Urban Secrets (S) (HD) **7.50** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **8.45** The West Wing (S) (HD) **10.35** Elvis Presley: the Searcher (S) (HD) **2.30pm** David Attenborough's Wild City (S) (AD) (HD)

6.30pm The Bachelor King Filmed on the sub-Antarctic island of South Georgia over five months, this documentary explores the lives of king penguins. Presented by David Attenborough. (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Making of David Attenborough's Bachelor King Behind-the-scenes look at the documentary which follows a lone penguin's battle to survive, find love and raise a family in brutal Antarctic conditions. (S) (HD)

9.00 Game of Thrones *4/10* *Series 6.* Tyrion strikes a deal, while Jorah and Daario undertake a difficult task. (S) (AD) (HD) **10.10** *5/10.* Tyrion seeks a strange ally and Brienne goes on a mission. (S) (AD) (HD) **11.15** *6/10.* An old foe returns to the great game and Arya faces a difficult choice. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.15am Upright (S) (AD) (HD) **1.25** True Detective (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** Nurse Jackie (S) (HD) **4.10–6.00am** The West Wing (S) (HD)

Sky Atlantic +1 **Sky** 208

Sky Crime

Sky 121 **Virgin** 136 HD **Virgin** 135

6.00am Motorway Patrol (S) (AD) **7.00** Customs UK **8.00** Motorbike Cops **9.00** Road Wars (S) **2.00pm** Border Security: America's Front Line: four editions (S) (AD)

6.00pm Snapped The shooting of a man splits a community when the perpetrator is revealed to be a mother who thinks he sexually assaulted her daughter. (S)

7.00 Banged Up Abroad The story of martial arts teacher Chris Chance, who decided to smuggle hashish when his rent doubled, only to end up in prison in Malaga.

8.00 Murders That Shocked the Nation The crimes of Brides in the Bath murderer and bigamist George Joseph Smith, who drowned his three wives between 1912 and 1914. (S) (AD)

9.00 Who Killed Garrett Phillips *1/2.* The first part of an intriguing film from Liz Garbus, investigating the 2011 murder of 12-year-old Garrett Phillips, and the subsequent trial. (S) (AD) **10.35** *2/2.* The concluding part of the award-winning film. (S) (AD)

12.30am In Ice Cold Blood: a single mother's double life is uncovered when she is found dead in a hotel room **1.30** A Life to Die For (S) **2.30** Murders That Shocked the Nation (S) (AD) **3.30** Street Crime UK (S) **4.30** Police Ten 7 (S) **5.00–6.00am** Snapped (S)

Sky Crime +1 **Sky** 221 **Virgin** 207



Station 19 *10.00pm* Ripley cleans up after the storm

Sky Witness

Sky 107 **Virgin** 112 HD **Virgin** 111

6.00am Nothing to Declare (S) **8.00** Sun, Sea and A&E (S) (AD) **9.00** Children's Hospital (S) (AD) **10.00** Temple Street Children's Hospital Special: Kayla's Story (S) (HD) **11.00** Temple Street Children's Hospital Special: Saving Megan (HD) **12 noon** Sun, Sea and A&E (S) (AD) **1.00pm** The Real A&E (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00** Customs UK (HD)

5.00pm Nothing to Declare UK Six editions following customs and immigration officers. (S) (HD)

8.00 Criminal Minds *5/22* *Series 13.* Garcia is hit by anxiety over a case with a personal connection to her. (S) (HD)

9.00 9-1-1 *12/18* *Series 2* Flashback episode in which Chimney looks back at his evolution in to the man he is today. (S) (HD)

10.00 Station 19 *8/17* *Series 2* Andy and Sullivan are missing following the storm. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.00 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit *19/23* *Series 13.* The detectives contend with vigilante neighbourhood watch members. (HD)

12 midnight CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **1.00am** FBI (HD) **2.00** Madam Secretary (HD) **3.00–6.00am** Nothing to Declare: six back-to-back editions (S)

Sky Witness +1 **Sky** 207 **Virgin** 180

Sky 2

Sky 168 **Virgin** 160

7.00am The Dog Whisperer **10.00** My Kitchen Rules: Australia (S) **12.30pm** Monkey Life (S) (AD) **1.00** Supergirl (S) **5.00** Cats and the Movie Musical Special **6.00** Harry Potter: a Who's Who of the Wizarding World **7.00** Capital Jingle Bell Ball: concert highlights **9.00** Micky Flanagan's Christmas: the comedian finds out why people do unspeakable things at their office parties (S) (AD) **10.00** Micky Flanagan Thinking Aloud: two editions. The comedian explores dating, gender identities and equality, then snobbery and the British obsession with class (S) (AD) **12 midnight** Micky Flanagan Thinking Aloud: four back-to-back editions (S) (AD) **4.00–6.00am** Monkey Life (S) (AD)

Universal TV

Sky 113 **Virgin** 122 **BT** 320 HD **Virgin** 121 **BT** 385

8.00am CSI: Miami (S) (HD) **6.00pm** CSI: Miami: six bodies are found tied together in the ocean (S) (HD) **7.00 FILM** Daddy Day Camp ★ Comedy starring Cuba Gooding Jr (W) (HD) **9.00 FILM** Coyote Ugly ★★ Romantic comedy drama starring Piper Perabo, Adam Garcia and John Goodman and featuring LeAnn Rimes (S) (W) (HD) **11.10** CSI: Miami: double bill. A woman is pushed under a bus, then the body of a student is found on a golf course (S) (HD) **1.00am** Private Eyes (S) (HD) **2.00** Chance (S) (HD) **3.00** Sea Patrol (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Numb3rs (S) (AD) (HD)

Universal TV +1 **Sky** 213 **Virgin** 206



My Best Friend's Wedding *9.00pm* Julianne and Kimmy

W

Sky 109 **Virgin** 125 **BT** 311 HD **Virgin** 211 **BT** 383

6.10am Flip or Flop (HD) **6.35** Doctor Who (S) (AD) (HD) **10.30** Dynamo: Magician Impossible (S) (AD) (HD) **12.35pm** Miranda (S) (AD) (HD) **1.15 FILM** Fantastic Mr Fox ★★★★ Animated comedy with the voice of George Clooney (W) (HD) **3.00** Tipping Point: Lucky Stars (HD) **5.00** Inside the Ambulance at Christmas: a man falls off a roof (HD)

6.05pm Gangsta Granny Family comedy starring Julia McKenzie and David Walliams. (S) (AD) (HD)

7.40 Miranda The shopkeeper makes a final attempt to find happiness. (S) (AD) (HD)

8.20 Inside the Ambulance at Christmas With heavy snow causing problems, crews treat two patients who have both broken their hips after falling. (S) (HD)

9.30 My Best Friend's Wedding ★★★★ Romantic comedy starring Julia Roberts. When Julianne Potter learns that her ex-lover is marrying, she vows to sabotage the wedding. (W) (HD)

11.40 Gavin & Stacey The very first episode. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.20am Gavin & Stacey (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00** Louis Theroux's Weird Weekends (S) (AD) **1.50–3.00am** Women on the Verge (S) (AD) (HD)

W +1 **Sky** 209 **Virgin** 190

Syfy

Sky 114 **Virgin** 138 **BT** 319 HD **Virgin** 137 **BT** 375

6.00am Marvel's Runaways **8.00** Home Shopping **11.00** The Librarians **12 noon FILM** Short Circuit 2 ★★ **2.10pm FILM** The Phantom ★★ **4.20 FILM** Lara Croft: Tomb Raider ★★ **6.30 FILM** Lara Croft, Tomb Raider: the Cradle of Life ★ Action adventure starring Angelina Jolie and Gerard Butler **9.00 FILM** Ghost ★★★★ Romantic drama starring Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore and Whoopi Goldberg **11.30 FILM** Event Horizon ★★★ Sci-fi horror starring Laurence Fishburne and Sam Neill **1.30am** Future Man **2.10** Blood and Treasure **4.00–6.00am FILM** Battle of Los Angeles ★★

Syfy +1 **Sky** 214 **Virgin** 229

TLC

Sky 133 **Virgin** 167 **BT** 323 HD **BT** 377

6.00am Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **8.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress: Randy Knows Best (HD) **12 noon** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (AD) (HD) **8.00pm** 90 Day Fiancé: six people travel to the US to live with their overseas partners for the first time (HD) **10.00** Love after Lock Up: Lamar finally meets Andrea's children. Meanwhile Johanna's dad is not impressed by Garrett's proposal, and James confronts Alla (HD) **11.00** 90 Day Fiancé (HD) **2.00am** Love after Lock Up (HD) **3.00** 90 Day Fiancé (HD) **4.00–6.00am** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (AD) (HD)

TLC +1 **Sky** 233 **Virgin** 172



The Royle Family *9.15pm* Nana makes herself comfortable

Gold

Sky 110 **Virgin** 124 **BT** 310

7.35am The Two Ronnies (S) **8.20** Only Fools and Horses (S) (AD) **9.00** TOTP2 **11.00** Trust Morecambe and Wise (S) (HD) **12 noon** The Two Ronnies (S) **1.00pm** The Vicar of Dibley (S) (AD) **2.00** Only Fools and Horses: three episodes (S) (AD)

6.00pm Trust Morecambe and Wise How the duo approached the themes of travel and adventure in their comedy. (S) (HD)

7.00 Blackadder's Christmas Carol Kindly Ebenezer Blackadder gets a visit from his loathsome ancestors. (S)

8.00 Dad's Army Mainwaring organises a Christmas treat. (S)

8.40 The Good Life Tom and Barbara's Christmas is expanded to include Margo and Jerry.

9.15 The Royle Family Denise is pregnant again. (S) (AD)

10.35 Victoria Wood's Midlife Christmas Skits, songs and sketches with the comedian. (S)

11.55 Bottom Richie and Eddie celebrate Christmas. (S) (AD)

12.35am The Royle Family: Joe's Crackers (S) (AD) (HD) **1.55** The Royle Family (S) (AD) **2.55** Bottom (S) (AD) **3.30–4.00am** Morgana Robinson's The Agency (S) (AD) (HD)

Gold +1 **Sky** 210 **Virgin** 194

Comedy Central

Sky 112 **Virgin** 132 **BT** 307 HD **Virgin** 181 **BT** 370

8.00am Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00pm FILM** Gremlins 2: the New Batch ★★★ Comedy horror starring Zach Galligan and Phoebe Cates, and featuring Christopher Lee (HD) **3.00** Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Lip Sync Battle: double bill (S) (HD) **8.00** Blockbusters: with James Acaster, Scarlett Moffatt and Jordan Banjo (HD) **9.00** Michael McIntyre's Showtime (S) (HD) **10.00** Lee Evans Live at Wembley (S) **12.20am** Michael McIntyre: Hello Wembley! (S) (HD) **1.20** Kevin Hart Live: Laugh at My Pain (S) (HD) **2.25** South Park (S) (HD) **4.15** Most Ridiculous: Animals (S) (HD) **4.35–5.00am** Most Ridiculous: Holidays (S) (HD)

Comedy Central +1 **Sky** 212 **Virgin** 133

Lifetime

Sky 187 **Virgin** 208 **BT** 329 HD **BT** 384

7.00am Judge Judy (HD) **9.00 FILM** Four Christmases and a Wedding ★★ (W) (HD) **10.45 FILM** Wrapped Up in Christmas ★★ (W) (HD) **12.30pm FILM** Christmas in Mississippi ★★ (W) (HD) **2.15 FILM** A Very Merry Toy Store ★★ Drama starring Melissa Joan Hart and Mario Lopez (W) (HD) **4.00** Dance Moms (HD) **7.00** Judge Judy (HD) **9.00 FILM** A Tale of Two Coreys ★★ Drama inspired by the lives of 1980s movie stars Corey Feldman and Corey Haim (W) (HD) **10.40** The Joy of Sex Toys: double bill (HD) **12.40am** Storage Wars (HD) **1.40** Hardcore Pawn (HD) **2.35** Judge Judy (HD) **3.00–4.00am** Kiss, Bang, Love (HD

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Father Brown *From 1.00pm*
A clutch of murder cases

Alibi

Sky 132 **Virgin** 126 **BT** 312 **HD** **Virgin** 212 **BT** 382

7.10am Murdoch Mysteries (S) (HD) **9.00** Miss Marple (S) (AD) **1.00pm** Father Brown (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Death in Paradise (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm Death in Paradise *2/8 Series 5.* The Saint Marie governor is poisoned at her leaving party, with the Commissioner standing right next to her. (S) (AD) (HD) **7.20** *3/8.* DI Goodman investigates when a young model is strangled in the middle of a fashion show. (S) (AD) (HD)

8.20 Inspector George Gently *1/2 Series 4.* A schoolgirl's killing brings Gently into the alien world of pop and media celebrity when it turns out the victim's best friend is a rising TV presenter. Neil Morrissey guest-stars. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.20 Death in Paradise *8/8 Series 1.* A murder exposes a case of money-laundering but it seems Richard will not be around to solve the mystery when he is offered his job back. (S) (AD) (HD) **11.40** *1/8 Series 5.* A millionaire environmentalist is shot dead and all the evidence points towards a robbery gone wrong. (S) (AD) (HD) **12.40am** As 6pm.

1.45–4.00am Rizzoli & Isles: two episodes (S) (AD) (HD)

Alibi +1 **Sky** 232 **Virgin** 191

Discovery History

Sky 171 **Virgin** 257

6.00am Mystery of the Ghost Galleon **7.00** Humboldt's Tales from the Americas **8.00** Finding Amelia **10.00** Lost Temple to the Gods **11.00** Quest for Captain Kidd **12 noon** Atlantis in the Andes **1.00pm** Treasures of the Royal Captain **2.00** Humboldt's Tales from the Americas **3.00** Finding Amelia **5.00** Lost Temple to the Gods

6.00pm Mystery of the Ghost Galleon The search for a Spanish shipwreck thought to contain one billion dollars' worth of silver.

7.00 Quest for Captain Kidd Barry Clifford discovers traces of the ship that once belonged to one of the most infamous pirates.

8.00 Atlantis in the Andes Exploring the peaks of the Bolivian Andes with cartographer and aerial intelligence interpreter Jim Allen.

9.00 Treasures of the Royal Captain The wreck of an 18th-century trading vessel and its cargo of porcelain, spices and silk.

10.00 Mystery of the Ghost Galleon As 6pm.

11.00 Humboldt's Tales from the Americas Tracing the life of Alexander von Humboldt.

12 midnight Finding Amelia **2.00am** Atlantis in the Andes **3.00** Treasures of the Royal Captain **4.00** Mystery of the Ghost Galleon **5.00–6.00am** Humboldt's Tales from the Americas

Discovery History +1 **Sky** 271 **Virgin** 261



The Mentalist *6.00pm* Jane and Lisbon look for a killer

Fox

Sky 124 **Virgin** 157 **HD** **Virgin** 199

8.00am Bull (HD) **9.00** Bones (HD) **10.00** Bull (HD) **11.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** Bones (HD) **2.00pm** The Mentalist (HD) **3.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Bull (HD) **5.00** Bones (HD)

6.00pm The Mentalist *24/24 Series 4.* Jane finds solace in the arms of a woman. Lisbon hunts for a murderer after an unidentifiable body is discovered. (HD)

7.00 NCIS *8/24 Series 13.* DiNozzo is reunited with his old flame, Jeanne Benoit, when insurgents in Sudan kidnap her doctor husband. **8.00** *9/24.* An officer suspected of killing his ex-girlfriend volunteers to be court-martialled so that the team will investigate. **9.00** *8/24 Series 14.* Ellie questions her past at the NSA while working on the case of a murdered navy chaplain. **10.00** *9/24.* The team tries to find the source of threats against a congresswoman. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.00 American Dad! *Series 14* Roger and Steve watch *Breaking Bad* in reverse. (HD) **11.30** Stan deals with childhood issues of abandonment. (HD)

12 midnight Family Guy **1.00am** American Dad! (HD) **2.30** Family Guy **3.00** Science of Stupid (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Bull (HD)

Fox +1 **Sky** 224 **Virgin** 158

History

Sky 130 **Virgin** 270 **BT** 327 **HD** **BT** 379

6.00am River Hunters (HD) **10.00** WW2 Treasure Hunters (HD) **1.00pm** Storage Wars (HD) **6.00** Storage Wars: 12 editions. Brandi rescues a loose dog **6.30** The buyers descend on Arcadia in California **7.00** Mary's fortune cannot be saved **7.30** Emily receives a surprise **8.00** New buyers make their debut **8.30** The buyers hit Dan's home town **9.00** Kenny starts seeing things **9.30** Brandi and Jarrod's mischievous side emerges **10.00** Dave takes advantage of being so close to Ivy **10.30** The women from Vegas meet Dave **11.00** The Vegas women try their own bidding style **11.30** Mary's locker reveals a sticky past (HD) **12 midnight** Forged in Fire **1.00–6.00am** Storage Wars (HD)

History +1 **Sky** 230 **Virgin** 271

Animal Planet

Sky 162 **Virgin** 251 **BT** 325 **HD** **BT** 378

6.00am Monster Tag (HD) **7.00** Isle of Jaws (HD) **8.00** Cuba's Secret Shark Lair (S) (HD) **9.00** Legend of Deep Blue (HD) **10.00** Great White Abyss (S) (HD) **11.00** Lair of the Sawfish (S) (HD) **12 noon** Monster Tag (HD) **1.00pm** Air Jaws: the Hunted (HD) **2.00** Isle of Jaws (HD) **3.00** Tiger Shark Invasion (S) (HD) **4.00** Legend of Deep Blue (HD) **5.00** The Zoo (HD) **6.00** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **7.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (AD) **8.00** ***New.*** Extinct or Alive (HD) **9.00** Homestead Rescue (HD) **10.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (HD) **11.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (S) (HD) **1.00am** as 10pm **2.00** Extinct or Alive (HD) **3.00** Homestead Rescue (HD) **3.50** Dark Waters (S) (HD) **4.40** Meet the Sloths (S) (HD) **5.10–6.00am** The Zoo (S) (HD)

Animal Planet +1 **Sky** 262 **Virgin** 259



Guy Fieri's Feeding Frenzy *10.00pm* A Bahamian feast

Discovery

Sky 125 **Virgin** 250 **BT** 322 **HD** **BT** 376

6.00am Alaska: the Last Frontier (HD) **2.00pm** Shark-Croc Showdown (S) (HD) **3.00** Shark Island (S) (HD) **4.00** Cuba's Secret Shark Lair (S) (HD) **5.00** Devil Sharks (S) (HD)

6.00pm Great White Abyss Experts travels to great white hotspot Guadalupe Island. (S) (HD)

7.00 Legend of Deep Blue Searching for the largest great white shark in the world. (HD)

8.00 Isle of Jaws: Blood Brothers Investigating whether two great whites can recognise their blood relatives. (HD)

9.00 *New.* Great White Shark Babies The location where the great white sharks of Guadalupe give birth to their pups. (HD)

10.00 *New.* Guy Fieri's Feeding Frenzy Guy Fieri and his son Hunter head to the Bahamas. (HD)

11.00 *New.* Guadalupe Kill Zone The great whites of Guadalupe are rigged with cameras for an unprecedented 18 hours. (HD)

12 midnight Gold Rush: White Water: a hunt for bedrock gold (HD) **1.00am** Gold Rush (HD) **2.00** Deadliest Catch (S) (HD) **3.00** Great White Shark Babies (HD) **3.50** Fast 'n' Loud (S) (HD) **5.30–6.00am** How It's Made (S) (HD)

Discovery +1 **Sky** 225 **Virgin** 258

Nat Geographic

Sky 129 **Virgin** 266 **BT** 317 **HD** **Virgin** 268 **BT** 373

8.00am Nazi Megastructures (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** WWII's Greatest Raids (HD) **10.00** WW2: Hell under the Sea (HD) **11.00** War Heroes of the Skies (HD) **12 noon** Air Crash Investigation (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00pm** Supercar Megabuild (HD) **3.00** Car SOS (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00** Mega Crater Mystery: Draining the Ocean (HD) **6.00** Europe from Above (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Gordon Ramsay: Uncharted (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** Jesus: Rise to Power: Birth of Christianity (HD) **9.00** ***New.*** The Story of God with Morgan Freeman (HD) **10.00** Lost Cities with Albert Lin (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Witness to Disaster (HD) **12 midnight** Seconds from Disaster **1.00am** Banged Up Abroad (HD) **2.00** Air Crash Investigation (HD) **3.00** as 5pm **4.00–5.00am** Drain the Oceans: Egypt's Lost Wonder (HD)

Nat Geo +1 **Sky** 229 **Virgin** 267

Eden

Sky 166 **Virgin** 245 **BT** 315 **HD** **Virgin** 247 **BT** 389

9.00am Blue Planet II: nine editions (HD) **6.00pm** Blue Planet II: double bill. Creatures that live on coral reefs, then wildlife thousands of kilometres from land, featuring footage of baby turtles (HD) **8.00** It's a Wild Christmas: contrasting festive periods in the northern and southern hemispheres (HD) **9.00** Your Favourite Attenborough Moment: countdown of viewers' 20 favourite clips of veteran naturalist David Attenborough in action (AD) **10.30** David Attenborough's Natural Curiosities: profiling the siamese fighting fish and the kangaroo, which has a kick so strong it can kill (AD) (HD) **11.00** Blue Planet II (HD) **5.30–6.00am** Jungle Planet (HD)

Eden +1 **Sky** 266 **Virgin** 246



David Bowie: Stardust *8.35pm*
The singer's breakthrough

PBS America 91

F'view 91 (1-11pm only) **F'sat** 155 **Sky** 174 **Virgin** 273

8.00am Student Athlete **10.00** Steve McQueen: Desert Racer **11.10** Brooklyn Castle **1.00pm** The Aviators **1.35** Elvis and the Memphis Mafia **2.55** David Bowie: Stardust **4.15** Brooklyn Castle

6.00pm Steve McQueen: Desert Racer Exploring the actor's obsession with speed and the invention of a racing dirtbike.

7.10 Elvis and the Memphis Mafia The highs and the lows of Elvis Presley's life through the eyes of the close circle of friends he entrusted with his life.

8.35 David Bowie: Stardust The story of how the musician's 1972 album *The Rise and Fall of Ziggy Stardust and the Spiders from Mars* made him one of the world's most famous rock stars.

9.55 Love Me Ukraine's mail-order bride industry, exposing the myths and realities of this unique business, while also exploring the people involved.

11.00 Spring Broke The growth of the Spring Break industry over the decades, from its origins in the early 1960s to a financial surge equivalent to the Super Bowl.

12.55–2.00am Steve McQueen: Desert Racer: as 6pm

PBS +1 **Freeview** 93 (HD only)

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F'view (HD only) 99 **F'sat** 175 **Sky** 195 **Virgin** 276

6.00am Aerial America (HD) **8.00** Aerial Africa (HD) **2.00pm** Aerial America (HD) **5.00** Aerial New Zealand: snow-capped mountains, active volcanoes and a celebrated past (HD) **6.00pm** Aerial Britain: four editions. Bird's-eye views of southern England, including London and Framlingham Castle in Suffolk **7.00** Northern England, including Liverpool and Alnwick Castle **8.00** A journey over Wales, taking in the Millennium Stadium and Harlech Castle **9.00** A bird's-eye view of Scotland, from the Cairngorms to the Highlands (HD) **10.00** Aerial Ireland: the diversity and history of Ireland, using aerial photography to view places of significance (HD) **11.00** Aerial New Zealand: an aerial tour (HD) **12 midnight** Aerial Britain (HD) **4.00am** Aerial Ireland (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Aerial America (HD)

Sony Crime

Freesat 143 **Sky** 179 **Virgin** 193

6.00am Speeders **7.00** Bait Car: LA **9.00** Speeders **11.00** Bait Car: LA **1.00pm** Speeders: ten editions **6.00** Speeders: six further editions. A waitress offers an officer the worst bribe ever **6.30** A speeder reveals that he's also an unrepentant cheater, much to his girlfriend's chagrin **7.00** A DUI driver in New Jersey plays chicken with an oncoming train **7.30** Officer Rudy pulls over a driver who smells of marijuana **8.00** as 6pm **8.30** as 6.30pm **9.00** Bait Car: LA: how the police catch car thieves in the act by arranging bait vehicles equipped with tracking devices **11.00** Speeders **12 midnight** Bait Car: New Orleans: double bill **1.00am** Speeders **3.00** Bait Car: LA **4.00** Speeders **5.00–6.00am** Bait Car: New Orleans

CHILDREN'S

Milkshake! on C5

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6.00am Mofy **6.05** Peppa Pig **6.20** Wissper **6.30** Ben and Holly **6.40** Fireman Sam: Norman overloads the electric sockets at the supermarket **6.50** Thomas & Friends: a kangaroo hops off with a little girl's toy that Santa gave her **7.05** Shane the Chef: deliveries cannot get through because of the snow **7.25** Paw Patrol: the team must rescue a group of performing penguins **7.50** ***New.*** Peppa Pig: a Christmas special **8.00–8.10am** Peppa Pig

CBeebies 202

Freeview 202 **Freesat** 608 **Sky** 614 **Virgin** 702

6.00am CBeebies The Nutcracker **6.45** My First Festival: Christmas **7.00** Bing **7.25** Hey Duggee: double bill **7.40** Peter Rabbit's Christmas Tale: Mr Bouncer gets too sick to make the important holiday supply delivery **8.00** Go Jetters **8.15** Octonauts **8.25** Sarah & Duck: Petal Light Picking **8.35** Justin's House: Cat's First Christmas: the gang prepares for Christmas **9.00** CBeebies Hansel and Gretel **9.45** Swashbuckle: Christmas Special **10.10** Octonauts: a Very Vegimals Christmas **10.30** Go Jetters: the North Pole: Christmas Eve arrives but Santa's sleigh has vanished **10.55** CBeebies Alice in Wonderland **11.40** My First: Nativity **11.55** My Pet and Me **12.10pm** My World Kitchen: Christmas **12.25** Old Jack's Boat: the Christmas Quest **12.45** Sarah & Duck: Seacow Snow Trail **12.50** Down on the Farm **1.10** A CBeebies Christmas Carol **1.50** Something Special: a Magical Christmas **2.15** The Baby Club: Christmas Bells **2.30** My First Festival: Christmas **2.45** Octonauts: Great Christmas Rescue **3.10** Swashbuckle **3.35** Hey Duggee **3.45** Go Jetters: the North Pole **4.10** ***New.*** My First: Nativity: Britney takes part in a Nativity play for the first time **4.25** Peter Rabbit's Christmas Tale **4.50** ***New.*** Go Jetters: Grand Master Glitch travels with his Grimbots to Christmas Island **5.00** CBeebies Hansel and Gretel **5.45** Moon and Me **6.10** Clangers **6.20** In the Night Garden… **6.50–7.00pm** ***New.*** CBeebies Bedtime Stories

CBBC 201

Freeview 201 **Freesat** 607 **Sky** 613 **Virgin** 701

7.00am Arthur **7.15** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **7.25** Danger Mouse **7.35** Shaun the Sheep **7.45** Odd Squad **8.00** Danger Mouse **8.25** A Christmas Panic! **8.50** The Next Step **9.45** FOMO Festive Replay **10.00** Merry Madagascar **10.20** Our School **11.05** Class Dismissed **11.25** Strange Hill High **11.50** So Awkward **12.20pm** The Dengineers **12.50** Top Class **1.15** 4 o'Clock Club **1.45** Shaun the Sheep **1.55** Danger Mouse: Yule Only Watch Twice **2.15** Danger Mouse **2.35** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **3.00** Diddy TV **3.15** Scream Street **3.35** Odd Squad **4.00** Show Me What You're Made Of: UK **4.30** Almost Never: Christmas Wonderland **5.30** Hetty Feather **6.25** My Life: The Penguin Post Office **7.00** All at Sea **7.30** Horrible Histories: Horrible Christmas **7.55** Donkey's Caroling Christmas-tacular **8.05–9.00pm** Secret Life of Boys: Farther Christmas

CITV 203

Freeview 203 **Freesat** 602 **Sky** 621 **Virgin** 734

6.00am NinjaGo: Masters of Spinjitzu Wu's Teas **6.05** The Bagel and Becky Show **6.30** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **6.45** Be Cool, Scooby-Doo! **7.05** Mr Magoo **7.30** ***New.*** Scrambled! **9.05** Wishfart **9.25** Mr Magoo **9.55** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **10.40** Be Cool, Scooby-Doo! **11.10** as 12.15pm **11.25** The Bagel and Becky Show **11.55** Make It Pop **12.15pm** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **12.30** Dare Master **12.35** Mr Magoo **1.35** Hotel Transylvania **2.30** Kung Fu Panda: the Paws of Destiny **3.00** Mr Magoo **4.00** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **5.00** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **5.25** Scooby Doo! Haunted Holidays **5.50** Be Cool, Scooby-Doo! **6.15** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **6.35** Mr Magoo **7.35** as 1.35pm **8.05** Spy School **8.55–9.00pm** Dare Master

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The big Christmas movie

P Mary Poppins Returns ★★★
1.45pm/8.00pm ***Sky Premiere***

The original *Mary Poppins* was released in 1964 and is a year older than me. Experiencing it piecemeal in clips on TV's *Disney Time* in the 1970s, I only appreciated its Edwardian backdrop of suffrage and banking belatedly.

Financial woes link it to this much-anticipated sequel, set 20 years later in 1930s London. Emily Blunt was seemingly born to play the agelessly magical governess, and she's joined by Ben Whishaw and Emily Mortimer (playing the grown-up Michael and Jane Banks), with support from Julie Walters and Colin Firth. And look out for two sensational heritage cameos from Angela Lansbury and Dick Van Dyke.

Under the direction of Rob Marshall (*Chicago*), it weaves a merry, heel-clicking dance, scoring affectionate direct hits from the Disney comfort zone.

My highlight is the *Royal Doulton Music Hall* sequence, an animated tip of the hat – or chamber pot – to the original, with a carriage driven by a talking dog (voiced by Chris O'Dowd) and pulled by a talking horse (Mark Addy). **ANDREW COLLINS**

Ali is the greatest

Green Book ★★★
Amazon Prime



This odd-couple dramedy stars Viggo Mortensen as a racist-turned-rough diamond who's hired in 1962 to chauffeur Mahershala Ali's pianist on a tour of the Deep South in the run-up to Christmas. The discreet way in which Ali conveys his character's heartache helped him win an Oscar and Bafta. **EMMA SIMMONDS**

A dance delight

Top Hat ★★★★★ *BBC iPlayer* FREE TO VIEW



If the mulled wine isn't warming the cockles, then try this sumptuous romantic musical with a sublime Irving Berlin score. Fred Astaire just oozes class, as does his perfect partner, Ginger Rogers, who – as cartoonist Bob Thaves noted – did everything Fred did, only backwards and in heels. **TONY PETERS**

FREEVIEW

Film4 14

F'view 14 **F'sat** 300 **Sky** 313 **Virgin** 428 **HD Virgin** 429

11.00am 4: Rise of the Silver Surfer ★★★ Colourful action adventure. Ioan Gruffudd, Jessica Alba, Chris Evans, Michael Chiklis (2007, PG) (S) (AD)
12.45pm Dr Seuss' Horton Hears a Who! ★★★★ Terrific animated adventure. Jim Carrey, Steve Carell, Carol Burnett (2008, U) (S)
2.25 Turner & Hooch ★★★ Enjoyable comedy. Tom Hanks, Mare Winningham (1989, PG) (S) (AD)
4.25pm Ice Age: Collision Course ★★ Diverting animated comedy. Ray Romano, John Leguizamo, Denis Leary, Queen Latifah (2016, U)
6.15 Independence Day ★★★★ Gigantic alien spacecraft hover above major cities and set about destroying everything in this spectacular sci-fi epic. Will Smith, Bill Pullman, Jeff Goldblum (1996, 12) (S) (AD)
9.00 Deadpool ★★★ Sweary, violent and riotously self-aware fantasy adventure. Ryan Reynolds (2016, 15) (S) (AD)
11.10 Midnight Run ★★★★ Fast-moving, often hilarious road-movie thriller. Robert De Niro, Charles Grodin, Yaphet Kotto, Denis Farina (1988, 18) (S)
1.45–3.55am Candyman ★★★★ Electrifying shocker. Tony Todd (1992, 18) (S)
Film4 +1 **F'view** 45 **F'sat** 301 **Sky** 314 **Virgin** 430

Sony Movies 32

Freeview 32 **Freesat** 302 **Sky** 321 **Virgin** 425

9.00am Fly Away Home ★★★★ Biopic. Jeff Daniels (1996, U) **11.10 Tootsie** ★★★★ Comedy. Dustin Hoffman (1982, 15) **1.30pm A League of Their Own** ★★★ Period sports comedy drama. Tom Hanks (1992, PG) **4.05 Arachnophobia** ★★★★ Comedy horror. Jeff Daniels (1990, PG)
6.15pm The Rainmaker ★★★★ Riveting, well-cast courtroom drama. Matt Damon, Claire Danes, Mickey Rourke, Danny DeVito (1997, 15)
9.00 Air Force One ★★★★ Stunt-filled thriller. Harrison Ford, Gary Oldman, Glenn Close (1997, 15)
11.25 In the Line of Fire ★★★★ Slick thriller. **Review, p81.** Clint Eastwood, Rene Russo (1993, 15)
2.05am Halo 4: Forward unto Dawn
3.35–6.00am Multiplicity ★★★ Fantasy comedy. Michael Keaton, Andie MacDowell (1996, 12)
Sony Movies +1 **F'view** 60 (*limited* 10pm-5am) **Sky** 322

Sony Action 40

F'view 40 *(limited)* **F'sat** 305 **Sky** 323 **Virgin** 426

6.00am What a Carve Up! ★★★ Comedy horror. (1961, U) **7.45 Tank Commandos** ★★ Drama. Robert Barron (1959) **9.25 The Commandos Strike at Dawn** ★★ Drama. (1942) **11.30 Counterfeit Commandos** ★★★ Action adventure. Bo Svenson (1978, 15) **1.15pm Christmas Truce** ★★ Wartime romance. Craig Anthony Olejnik (2015) **3.10 The Red Baron** ★★ Biopic. Matthias Schweighöfer (2008, 12) **5.20 On Wings of Eagles** ★★ Wartime drama. Joseph Fiennes (2016, 12)
7.10pm Saints and Soldiers: Battle of the Tanks ★★ Action drama. Danor Gerald (2014, 12)
9.00 Age of Heroes ★★★ Enjoyable Second World War adventure. Sean Bean (2011, 15)
10.55 Normandy: the Last Rescue ★★ Wartime drama. Brett Cullen, Cody Kasch (2015, 15)
1.00am Phantom ★★ Thriller. Ed Harris (2013, 15)
3.00–4.00am Submarine Warfare
Sony Action +1 **Sky** 324

Talking Pictures TV 81

Freeview 81 **Freesat** 306 **Sky** 328 **Virgin** 445

6.00am Emergency ★★ (1962, 12) (S) **7.15 The Miracle of the Bells** ★★★ (1948, U) **9.40 Witness in the Dark** ★★ Drama. (1959, PG) (S) **11.00** June Allyson **11.30 Androcles and the Lion** ★★★ Satirical comedy. Jean Simmons (1952, U) **1.25pm Flight of the Doves** ★★★ Adventure. Ron Moody (1971, U) (S) **3.30 Genevieve** ★★★★ Comedy. Kenneth More (1953, U) (S) **5.15 Scrooge** ★★★★★ Drama. Alastair Sim (1951, U)
7.00pm The Amazing Mr Blunden ★★★ Mystery. **Review, p81.** Laurence Naismith (1972, U) (S)
9.00 Public Eye TV drama.
10.05 Are You Being Served? ★ Spin-off from the 1970s sitcom. Mollie Sugden (1977, PG)
12.05am The Lost Continent ★★ Fantasy adventure. Eric Porter (1968, 12) **1.50 I'm All Right Jack** ★★★★★ Satirical comedy. Ian Carmichael (1959, U) (S) **3.55–5.50am I'll Turn to You** ★★ Musical drama. Terry Randall (1946, U) (S)

Premiere

Sky 301 **Virgin** 401 **BT** 501

6.00am The Ladybug ★★ Animated adventure. Lisa Schwartz, Jon Heder (2018, PG) **7.30 P Mary Poppins Returns** As 8pm **9.45** As 6pm **11.45** As 10.15pm **1.45pm P Mary Poppins Returns** As 8pm **4.00 Little** ★★ Fantasy comedy. Regina Hall, Issa Rae, Marsai Martin (2019, 12)

6.00pm The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part ★★★★ Inventive sequel. **Choice, p138.** Chris Pratt (2019, U)
8.00 P Mary Poppins Returns ★★★ Emily Blunt is pitch perfect as the magical nanny in this fun sequel. **Choice, left.** (2018, U)
10.15 Bumblebee ★★★ The lovable robot befriends a teenage girl in this 1980s-set spin-off from the *Transformers* franchise. Hailee Steinfeld (2018, PG)

12.15am Little As 4pm **2.10 Mary Queen of Scots** ★★★ Historical drama. **Choice, p118.** Saoirse Ronan, Margot Robbie (2018, 15) **4.20 Mary Poppins Returns** As 8pm
Premiere +1 **Sky** 312 **Virgin** 412

Hits

Sky 303 **Virgin** 403 **BT** 503

6.00am Prince of Persia: the Sands of Time ★★★ (2010, 12) **8.00 How to Train Your Dragon: the Hidden World** ★★★★ (2019, PG) **9.50** As 5.45pm **10.50 Smallfoot** ★★ (2018, U) **12.30pm** As 11pm **3.45 Ant-Man and the Wasp** ★★★★ (2018, 12) **5.45** Harry Potter List Show

6.45pm Mary Queen of Scots ★★★ A keen feminist slant livens up this historical drama. **Choice, p118.** Saoirse Ronan, Margot Robbie (2018, 15)
9.00 Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse ★★★★ Clever and funny animated outing for the web-slinging superhero. **Choice, p118.** Jake Johnson, Shameik Moore (2018, PG)
11.00 Titanic ★★★★ Multi-Oscar-winning tale of the "unsinkable" liner. Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet (1997, 12)

2.15am The Equalizer 2 ★★★ Action-packed thriller sequel with Denzel Washington as the righter of wrongs. (2018, 15) **4.20 A Wrinkle in Time** ★★ Fantasy adventure. Oprah Winfrey, Reese Witherspoon, Storm Reid (2018, PG)

Action

Sky 307 **Virgin** 407 **BT** 507

6.00am Bumblebee As 3.15pm **8.00 Avengers: Infinity War** As 5.20pm **10.35 Captain Marvel** As 8pm **12.45pm Transformers** ★★★★ Sci-fi action adventure. Shia LaBeouf, Megan Fox, Josh Duhamel (2007, 12) **3.15 Bumblebee** ★★★ Sci-fi action adventure. Hailee Steinfeld (2018, PG)

5.20pm Avengers: Infinity War ★★★★ Marvel's heroes join forces in this epic-scale action extravaganza. Robert Downey Jr (2018, 12)
8.00 Captain Marvel ★★★ Brie Larson plays a space warrior in this Marvel fantasy. (2019, 12)
10.15 The Matrix ★★★★★ Sci-fi action thriller about a computer hacker drawn into a nightmare of alternative worlds. Keanu Reeves, Carrie-Anne Moss, Laurence Fishburne (1999, 15)

12.45am The Matrix Reloaded ★★★ Sci-fi action thriller. Keanu Reeves, Carrie-Anne Moss (2002, 15) **3.15 The Matrix Revolutions** ★★★ The conclusion of the saga. Keanu Reeves, Carrie-Anne Moss (2003, 15) **5.30** Gemini Man Special

Star Wars

Sky 302 **Virgin** 402 **BT** 502

6.00am Episode I: the Phantom Menace ★★★ Sci-fi adventure. Liam Neeson (1999, U) **8.20 Episode II: Attack of the Clones** ★★★ Adventure. Ewan McGregor (2002, PG) **10.45 Episode III: Revenge of the Sith** ★★★ Sci-fi adventure. Ewan McGregor (2005, 12) **1.10pm** As 8pm **3.20** As 10.15pm

5.30pm Episode VI: Return of the Jedi ★★★★ Luke Skywalker finally faces up to his destiny. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher (1983, U)
8.00 Episode IV: a New Hope ★★★★★ Luke Skywalker joins Obi-Wan Kenobi in a mission to save the galaxy. Mark Hamill (1977, U)
10.15 Episode V: the Empire Strikes Back ★★★★★ Luke Skywalker trains to be a Jedi Knight. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford (1980, U)

12.30am Episode VI: Return of the Jedi As 5.30pm **2.50 Episode I: the Phantom Menace** As 6am **5.10 Episode II: Attack of the Clones** As 8.20am

Christmas

Sky 304 **Virgin** 410 **BT** 510

6.10am Elf: Buddy's Musical Christmas **7.30 The Star** ★★ (2017, U) **9.10 Jingle All the Way** ★★ (1996, PG) **10.55 The** As 6.20pm **12.35pm** As 8pm **2.30 Miracle on 34th Street** ★★★ Fantasy. (1994, U) **4.40 The Muppet Christmas Carol** ★★★★ Comedy fantasy. Michael Caine (1992, U)

6.20pm The Grinch ★★★ Benedict Cumberbatch voices the curmudgeon who steals Christmas in this animated fantasy. (2018, U)
8.00 Scrooged ★★★ Sour-faced TV executive Bill Murray sabotages the festive season. Karen Allen (1988, 12)
9.55 Die Hard ★★★★★ Action thriller in which a lone cop takes on a band of ruthless terrorists inside a newly constructed skyscraper. Bruce Willis, Alan Rickman (1988, 15)

12.20am This Christmas ★★★ Comedy drama. Delroy Lindo, Idris Elba, Loretta Devine (2007, 12) **2.30 Holly Star** ★★ Comedy. Katlyn Carlson (2018) **4.15 A Wedding for Christmas** ★★ Romance. Cristine Prosperi (2018)

Musicals

Sky 308 **Virgin** 404 **BT** 504

6.15am Mulan ★★★★ Animated adventure. Ming-Na (1998, U) **7.50 Singin' in the Rain** ★★★★★ Classic comedy. Gene Kelly (1952, U) **9.35** As 7pm **11.25** As 9pm **1.45pm** Cats Special **2.45** As 11.20pm **4.45 Mary Poppins Returns** ★★★ Fantasy. **Choice, left.** Emily Blunt (2018, U)

7.00pm The Greatest Showman ★★★★ The colourful life of circus inventor PT Barnum is a spectacular musical in the grand old Hollywood tradition. (2017, PG)
9.00 Bohemian Rhapsody ★★★ Rami Malek stars in this rocking biopic of the band Queen. **Choice, p186.** (2018, 12)
11.20 Grease ★★★★ John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John star as high-school lovers. (1978, PG)

1.20am Grease 2 ★★ Musical sequel starring a then little-known Michelle Pfeiffer. Maxwell Caulfield (1982, PG) **3.20 Singin' in the Rain** As 7.50am **5.15 Mulan** As 6.15am

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Disney

Sky 305 **Virgin** 405 **BT** 505

6.00am Monsters, Inc ★★★★★ (2001, U) **7.35** Frozen Fever **7.45** As 4.35pm **9.40 The Incredibles** ★★★★★ (2004, U) **11.35 Incredibles 2** ★★★★ (2018, PG) **1.35pm Aladdin** ★★★★★ (1992, U) **3.10 The Jungle Book** ★★★★★ (1967, U) **4.35 Ralph Breaks the Internet** ★★★★ (2018, PG)

6.30pm Dumbo ★★★★ Charming live-action remake of the flying elephant fantasy. Colin Farrell, Michael Keaton, Danny DeVito (2019, PG)

8.30 Coco ★★★★★ A young Mexican enters the land of the dead to find his true musical legacy. Anthony Gonzalez (2017, PG)

10.20 A Bug's Life ★★★★ Wonderful animated adventure in which a misfit troupe of bugs helps an ant colony. Dave Foley (1998, U)

12 midnight Honey, I Shrunk the Kids ★★★★ Comedy fantasy. (1989, U) **1.40am Robin Hood** ★★★★ (1973, U) **3.05 Lilo & Stitch** ★★★★ (2002, U) **4.35 The Aristocats** ★★★★ Animation. Phil Harris, Eva Gabor (1970, U)

Thriller

Sky 309 **Virgin** 409 **BT** 509

7.15am Bad Times at the El Royale ★★★★ (2018, 15) **9.40** As 9pm **12.10pm Mission: Impossible** ★★★★ Spy thriller. Tom Cruise (1996, PG) **2.10 Mission: Impossible 2** ★★★★ Action spy thriller. Tom Cruise (2000, 15) **4.20 Mission: Impossible III** ★★★ Action spy thriller. Tom Cruise (2006, 12)

6.30pm Mission: Impossible – Fallout ★★★★★ Tom Cruise races against time to avert a nuclear disaster. Rebecca Ferguson (2018, 12)

9.00 The Shawshank Redemption ★★★★★ A banker convicted of murder needs all his wits to survive his sentence in a tough prison. Tim Robbins (1994, 15)

11.35 Hotel Mumbai ★★★ Staff members risk their lives during a terrorist attack. Armie Hammer (2018, 15)

1.45am Bad Times at the El Royale As 7.15am **4.20 Angel Flight Down** ★★ Drama based on a true story. Patricia Kalember, David Charvet, Christopher Atkins (1996)

Sci-Fi/Horror

Sky 311 **Virgin** 411 **BT** 511

6.00am Labyrinth ★★★ Fantasy adventure. David Bowie (1986, U) **7.55** As 4.15pm **10.00 Tron** ★★★ Sci-fi adventure. Jeff Bridges, David Warner (1982, PG) **11.45** As 8pm **2.15pm** As 10.30pm **4.15 ET the Extra-Terrestrial** ★★★★★ Classic sci-fi adventure. Henry Thomas, Dee Wallace, Drew Barrymore (1982, U)

6.15pm Gravity ★★★★★ Sandra Bullock and George Clooney star in this nerve-shredding survival adventure in space. (2013, 12)

8.00 Aquaman ★★★ Jason Momoa stars as the rumbustious Atlantean prince in the most fun DC adventure yet. Nicole Kidman (2018, 12)

10.30 Edge of Tomorrow ★★★ Tom Cruise's soldier is forced to relive the same day in this clever sci-fi blockbuster. (2014, 12)

12.30am Aliens ★★★★★ Sci-fi action thriller. Sigourney Weaver (1992, 18) **3.15 Happy Death Day 2U** ★★ Horror. Jessica Rothe (2019, 15) **5.00 Labyrinth** As 6am

Harry Potter

Sky 306 **Virgin** 406 **BT** 506

7.25am The Goblet of Fire ★★★★ JK Rowling's fantasy. (2005, 12) **10.10 The Order of the Phoenix** ★★★★ The fifth instalment. (2007, 12) **12.30pm The Half-Blood Prince** ★★★★ The sixth episode. (2009, 12) **3.10 The Deathly Hallows: Part 1** ★★★ The build-up to the finale. (2010, 12)

5.45pm The Deathly Hallows: Part 2 ★★★★★ Harry and Voldemort clash for the final time and the boy wizard's destiny is revealed. Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson (2011, 12)

8.00 Fantastic Beasts: the Crimes of Grindelwald ★★★★ Jude Law's Albus Dumbeldore sends Newt Scamander (Eddie Redmayne) to Paris on a mission. Katherine Waterston, Johnny Depp (2018, 12)

10.25 Harry Potter List Show

11.25pm Fantastic Beasts: the Crimes of Grindelwald As 8pm **1.50am** Harry Potter List Show **2.50 The Philosopher's Stone** ★★★★ The first entry in the series. (2001, PG) **5.35** Harry Potter List Show

Comedy

Sky 310 **Virgin** 408 **BT** 508

6.00am The First Wives Club ★★★★ (1996, PG) **8.00 Jumanji** ★★★★ (1995, PG) **10.00 About a Boy** ★★★★ (2002, 12) **12 noon The Holiday** ★★ (2006, 12) **2.30pm The Lego Movie** ★★★★ (2014, U) **4.15 The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part** ★★★★ Animation. **Choice, p138.** (2019, U)

6.15pm Bridget Jones's Diary ★★★★ Bridget is busy lamenting her lack of a good man when two come along at once. (2001, 15)

8.00 Bridget Jones: the Edge of Reason ★★★ Bridget is still beset by man trouble. Renée Zellweger, Hugh Grant, Colin Firth, Jim Broadbent (2004, 15)

10.00 Bad Santa ★★★ Billy Bob Thornton stars as an alcoholic safe-cracker who poses as a shopping-mall Santa. (2003, 15)

11.50pm Trading Places ★★★★ Comedy. Eddie Murphy (1983, 15) **2.00am Airheads** ★★★ Comedy. Brendan Fraser (1994, 15) **3.45** As 8am **5.45 Ferdinand** ★★★★ Animated comedy adventure. John Cena (2017, U)

TCM Movies

Sky 315 **Virgin** 415 **BT** 512 HD **Virgin** 416

6.00am Hollywood's Best Film Directors **7.00 The Producers** ★★★★★ Comedy. (1968, PG) **8.55 The Pink Panther Strikes Again** ★★★ Comedy. (1976, PG) **11.10 To Kill a Mockingbird** ★★★★ Drama. **Choice, p176.** (1962, PG) **1.50pm Rio Lobo** ★★★ Western. John Wayne (1970, PG)

4.10pm The Searchers ★★★★★ Western about an embittered loner's relentless five-year quest to rescue his niece. John Wayne (1956, U)

6.45 Gremlins ★★★★ Wonderfully anarchic black comedy horror. Zach Galligan (1984, 12)

9.00 Training Day ★★★★ Powerful thriller in which a rookie cop is teamed with a streetwise detective who believes himself to be above the law. Denzel Washington (2001, 18)

11.25pm The Fugitive ★★★★ Thriller. Harrison Ford (1993, 15) **2.05am The Train Robbers** ★★★ Western. John Wayne, Ann-Margret (1973, U) **4.00** Hollywood's Best Film Directors

TCM Movies +1 **Sky** 316 **Virgin** 417

SPORT



NBA *10.00pm* ***Sky Action/ Main Event*** James Harden is hoping to sleigh the Warriors

Sky Main Event

Sky 401 **Virgin** 511 **BT** 402 HD **Virgin** 501 **BT** 437

6.00am Sky Sports News **9.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **11.00** The Greatest Solheim Cup **1.00pm** Ben Stokes Special **2.00** F1 2019 Season Review **3.00** Fights of 2019: a look back at some of the year's blockbuster bouts **5.00 LIVE NBA** Toronto Raptors v Boston Celtics (tip-off **5.00**), the Eastern Conference clash from Scotiabank Arena; **7.30** Philadelphia 76ers v Milwaukee Bucks (tip-off **7.30**), from Wells Fargo Centre; **10.00** Golden State Warriors v Houston Rockets (tip-off **10.00**), the Western Conference clash from Oracle Arena in Oakland. **12.30am** NBA Heatcheck **1.00–6.00am LIVE NBA** LA Lakers v LA Clippers (tip-off **1.00**), from Staples Centre; **3.30** Denver Nuggets v New Orleans Pelicans (tip-off **3.30**), from Pepsi Centre.

Sky Football

Sky 403 **Virgin** 513 HD **Virgin** 503

6.00am Championship Highlights **7.00** Scottish Premiership Football **7.30** Championship Highlights **9.30** League One and Two Goals **10.00** Euro 2020 Qualifiers **11.00** Championship Goals Bonanza **1.30pm** Championship Highlights **2.00** Championship Goals Bonanza **2.30** Championship Highlights **2.45** Championship Goals Bonanza **3.45** Championship Highlights **4.30** Championship Goals Bonanza **4.45** Championship Highlights **5.00** Championship Goals Bonanza **6.15** Championship Highlights **6.45** Championship Goals Bonanza **10.30** Championship Highlights **11.30** Scottish Premiership Football **12 midnight** Championship Highlights **2.00am** SPFL Greatest Games **2.30** One2Eleven: Tony Cascarino (AD) **2.45** One2Eleven: Ian Harte (AD) **3.00** Classic Play-Offs **4.00** Greatest Games **4.30** Football Countdowns (AD) **5.00** Football's Greatest Players (AD) **5.30–6.00am** Football Years (AD)

Sky Golf

Sky 405 **Virgin** 515 HD **Virgin** 505

6.00am Golf: action from the second and third days of the Solheim Cup in Scotland, featuring the singles matches in the women's tournament between Europe and the United States **3.15pm** The Greatest Solheim Cup **5.15** Golf: highlights from the final day of the Solheim Cup at Gleneagles **7.30** The Greatest Solheim Cup **9.30–6.00am** Golf: action from the third and final day of the Solheim Cup, featuring the singles matches in the biennial women's tournament between Europe and the United States

Sky Premier League

Sky 402 **Virgin** 512 HD **Virgin** 502

6.00am Premier League Years (AD) **8.00** Best of 18/19 **8.30** Christmas Crackers **10.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox (AD) **11.00** Best Goals **12 noon** Premier League Years (AD) **2.00pm** Christmas Crackers **2.30** Best of 18/19 **6.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox (AD) **6.30** Premier League Legends (AD) **7.00** Premier League World **7.30** Premier League Hat-Tricks: Alan Shearer **7.45** Premier League Hat-Tricks: Sergio Aguero **8.00** Best of 18/19 **8.30** Christmas Crackers **9.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **10.00** Class of 92: Full Time **2.00am** Premier League World **2.30** Premier League Hat-Tricks **3.00** Greatest Games (AD) **4.00** Premier League Best Goals **5.30–6.00am** 100 Club (AD)

Sky Cricket

Sky 404 **Virgin** 514 HD **Virgin** 504

6.00am Rainbow Nation: the History of South African Cricket (AD) **8.00** Cricket World Cup Final: a full replay of the showpiece between England and New Zealand at Lord's **8.00pm** Cricket World Cup 2019: the Diaries **9.30** Cricket World Cup **10.00** The Story of a Genius **10.30** Cricket World Cup 2019: the Film **12 midnight** On Top of the World: Eoin Morgan **12.45am** Cricket World Cup 2019: the Diaries **2.15** On Top of the World: Eoin Morgan **3.00** Cricket World Cup **4.00–6.00am** Rainbow Nation: the History of South African Cricket (AD)

Sky Action

Sky 407 **Virgin** 517 HD **Virgin** 507

6.00am WNBA Play-Offs **7.30** NBA Champions 2009 LA Lakers (AD) **8.45** NBA Champions 2011 Dallas Mavericks (AD) **10.15** NBA Champions 2013 Miami Heat (AD) **11.30** NBA Champions 2014 San Antonio Spurs **12.30pm** 2016 NBA Champions Cavaliers Documentary **1.45** NBA Champions: 2018 Warriors **3.00** NBA Champions: 2019 Raptors **4.30** NBA GameTime **5.00 LIVE NBA** Toronto Raptors v Boston Celtics (tip-off **5.00**), an Eastern Conference showdown; **7.30** Philadelphia 76ers v Milwaukee Bucks (tip-off **7.30**), an Eastern Conference clash from Wells Fargo Centre; **10.00** Golden State Warriors v Houston Rockets (tip-off **10.00**), from Oracle Arena in Oakland. **12.30am** NBA Heatcheck **1.00–6.00am LIVE NBA** Los Angeles Lakers v Los Angeles Clippers (tip-off **1.00**); **3.30** Denver Nuggets v New Orleans Pelicans (tip-off **3.30**).

Sky Darts

Sky 408 **Virgin** 518 HD **Virgin** 508

6.00am Darts Top Five Moments **7.00** World Darts: the best action from day four **11.00** Darts Top Five Moments **12 noon** World Darts: day five **4.00pm** Darts Gold **5.00** World Darts: day six **9.00** Darts Gold **10.00** World Darts: a review of the action from day seven **2.00am** Darts Gold **3.00** Top Five Moments **4.00–6.00am** Darts Gold (AD)

Eurosport 1

Sky 410 **Virgin** 521 **BT** 412 HD **BT** 435

7.00am Watts **7.15** Triathlon **7.45** Mountain Bikes **9.45** Tennis: French Open **10.45** Alpine Skiing **11.45** Snowboarding **12.45pm** Climbing **2.00** Mountain Bikes **3.00** Cycling **4.00** Cycling **5.00** Tour de France **6.00** Athletics **7.00** Africa Cup of Nations **8.00** Snooker **10.00** Darts **11.00** Golf **12 midnight** Dakar Rally **12.40–7.00am** Watts

BT Sport 1

Sky 413 **Virgin** 527 **BT** 408 HD **BT** 430

6.00am Premier League Review: 2007/08 (AD) **7.00** Best Goals 2007/08 (AD) **8.00** Premier League Review: 2008/09 (AD) **9.00** Best Goals 2008/09 (AD) **10.00** Premier League Review: 2009/10 (AD) **11.00** Best Goals 2009/10 (AD) **12 noon** Premier League Review: 2010/11 (AD) **1.00pm** Best Goals 2010/11 (AD) **2.00** Premier League Review: 2011/12 (AD) **3.00** Best Goals 2011/12 (AD) **4.00** Premier League Review: 2012/13 (AD) **5.00** Best Goals 2012/13 (AD) **6.00** Premier League Review: 2013/14 (AD) **7.00** Best Goals 2013/14 (AD) **8.00** Premier League Review: 2014/15 (AD) **9.00** Best Goals 2014/15 (AD) **10.00** Premier League Review: 2015/16 (AD) **11.00** Best Goals 2015/16 (AD) **12 midnight** Classic Premier League (AD) **1.00am** Best Goals 2016/17 (AD) **2.00** Classic Premier League (AD) **3.00** Best Goals 2017/18 (AD) **4.00** Premier League Review: 2018/19 (AD) **5.00–6.00am** Goals of the Season 2018/19 (AD)

BT Sport 2

Sky 414 **Virgin** 528 **BT** 409 HD **BT** 431

6.00am Rugby Union **6.45** Premier League Reload **7.00** Fishing (AD) **8.00** Sailing to Tokyo (AD) **8.30** German Football **9.30** Scottish Premiership Football **9.45** BT Sport Big Bash Reload **10.00** Rugby Union **1.15pm** BT Sport Big Bash Reload **1.30** Premier League Reload **1.45** BT Sport Goals Reload **2.00** Scottish Premiership Football **3.00** BT Sport Score Best Bits **3.30** BT Sport Fight Night **5.30** BT Sport Reload **6.00** Early Kick-Off **6.30** BT Sport Score Best Bits **7.00** Non-League Football **7.30** BT Sport Mic'd Up: Nick Cushing **8.00** Rugby Union (AD) **8.30** Premier League Reload **8.45** BT Sport Reload **9.00** BT Sport Big Bash Reload **9.15** Test Cricket **11.15–7.15am LIVE Test Cricket** Australia v New Zealand, the first day of the second Test at the Melbourne Cricket Ground.

BT Sport 3

Sky 417 **Virgin** 529 **BT** 410 HD **BT** 432

6.00am Australian Football **1.30pm** Australian Women's Football **3.30** Rugby Union: Premiership **6.00** Fishing (AD) **7.00** Italian Football **8.30** Sailing to Tokyo (AD) **9.00** Yachting (AD) **9.30** The Price of Gold (AD) **11.00** Early Kick-Off **11.30** Scottish Premiership Football **11.45** Australian Football **12.45am** Rugby Tonight on Tour (AD) **1.15** Chasing Tyson (AD) **2.45** French Football **3.45** Scottish Premiership Football **4.00** Early Kick-Off **4.30** BT Sport Goals Reload **5.00** Rugby Tonight on Tour (AD) **5.30–6.00am** BT Sport Reload

BT Sport ESPN

Sky 423 **Virgin** 530 **BT** 411 HD **BT** 434

6.00am ESPN FC **6.30** American Football **11.30** ESPN FC **12 noon** American Football **6.00pm** ESPN FC **6.30 LIVE Basketball** The first game in a college double-header; **9.00** More live NCAA basketball. **11.00** BT Sport Reload **11.30 LIVE Basketball** **1.30am** American Football **2.00 LIVE Basketball** **4.00–6.00am** NCAA Championship

Eurosport 2

Sky 411 **Virgin** 522 **BT** 413 HD **BT** 436

6.00am Australian Superbikes **7.00** Formula E **8.00** Cliff Diving **10.00** Snooker **12 noon** Africa Cup of Nations **1.00pm** Darts **2.00** Snooker **4.00** Motorcycling **5.00** British Superbikes **7.00** Climbing **8.15** Mountain Bikes **10.15** Motorcycling **11.15** British Superbikes **1.15am** Dakar Rally **1.45** Watts **2.00** Alpine Skiing **3.00** Motocross **4.00–6.00am** Superbikes

Wednesday Television

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FIELD OF DREAMS
Worzel Gummidge (Mackenzie Crook) and his new chums, Susan (India Brown) and John (Thierry Wickens)

PICK OF THE DAY

Worzel Gummidge *6.20pm* ***BBC1***

DRAMA Nearly 40 years after Jon Pertwee's bum-swizzling children's adventures, Mackenzie Crook steps into Worzel's straw-strewn trousers with aplomb and buckets of likeability. It's much less silly than before, with more magic and mystery as our floppy-hatted hero is tasked with restoring out-of-kilter seasons to "Albion". Crook clearly relishes this kind of mythic storytelling, but it's properly modern, too. The children, John and Susan, are mixed-race foster-care siblings lodging at Scatterbrook Farm, and they first glimpse our hero when they film him on their iPhone. After a slow start, they prove a fantastically winning pair.

There's an element of didactic BBC finger-wagging about plastic bags and the environment, of course, and Worzel's new appearance (including spiny roots for fingers) may slightly alarm very young children. But Crook's script has some deft and witty touches, and its visual, bucolic beauty alone will leave you longing for warm summer days. **BEN DOWELL** *See feature: page 27*

Test Cricket

7.00am ***Sky Cricket/Main Event***

SPORT England begin the next leg of their winter travels with the first of a four-match Test series against South Africa in Centurion. For Joe Root and his team-mates, preparations likely consisted of a quiet Christmas Day in the hotel: no more the riotous fancy-dress bunfights of the 1980s (hello, David Gower in full Colditz rig-out).

England's last tour of South Africa four years ago ended in a 2–1 victory, although the series is best remembered for the drawn second Test and Ben Stokes's epic 258, as both sides made over 600 in their first innings. Following some erratic performances in New Zealand, it's an opportunity for England to recover form against a side that lost 3–0 to India in October. **CHRIS HUGHES**

Premier League Football

from 11.30am ***Amazon Prime***

SPORT Football fans could be forgiven for thinking all their Christmasses really have come at once. For the first time, every match on one of the biggest days in the Premier League calendar is being screened live, courtesy of Amazon Prime. It all kicks off at lunchtime with Tottenham v Brighton and the final whistle blows almost ten hours later as Liverpool visit Leicester in the late game (with Wolves v Manchester City to come tomorrow). In between, there are six simultaneous live matches at 3pm.

Amazon has assembled an all-star team of presenters and pundits, including Gabby Logan, Thierry Henry, Alan Shearer and, for that old-school feel, Jim Rosenthal. **CH**

Royal Institution Christmas Lectures

8.00pm ***BBC4***

LECTURE Who better to be the first female mathematician to present a Christmas Lecture than Hannah Fry? She's ostensibly the face of maths on the BBC, her talk on the numbers of dating went viral and she's written a book on the maths of Christmas. She knows how to sell complex ideas in easily unwrapped packages. And, boy, is there complexity behind her lectures on the unseen layers of mathematics governing every aspect of the world. Yet when she's explaining it, by trying to find the luckiest member of her audience, it seems so simple. **DAVID CRAWFORD**

Paddington: the Man behind the Bear

9.00pm ***BBC2***

DOCUMENTARY The headstone of Paddington creator Michael Bond, who died in 2017, reads: "Please look after this bear." I was glad to learn this at the end of a charming profile hosted by Mr Brown himself, Hugh Bonneville, as otherwise I wouldn't have been able to see my screen for a curtain of tears. Bond's imagination was fired by his childhood when his family housed displaced Jewish children, who'd cry nightly for their absent parents. Celebrity fans, including Stephen Fry, share their feelings about the bear. **ALISON GRAHAM** *See feature: page 17*

Children's Choices

Mimi and the Mountain Dragon

3.20pm ***BBC1***

An animated version of Michael Morpurgo's book, based on Emily Gravett's illustrations. A girl called **Mimi** finds a baby dragon asleep in her family woodshed and embarks on a quest to return it to its fearsome dragon mother.

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P The Boss Baby

1.50pm ***BBC1***

Mums and dads will recognise the voice of Alec Baldwin playing the pint-sized, apparently one-day-old corporate suit who just sort of arrives in this appealingly surreal animation. Younger viewers will enjoy the comic relationship between this miniature, tickle-immune CEO and his jealous seven-year-old brother. You simply have to run with it and enjoy the nappy gags. Silly, but it has things to say.

Big Fat Quiz of the Year

9.00pm ***C4***

QUIZ This annual look back at the year just gone has become a brilliantly funny comedy institution since it began in 2004, and this edition looks to be another corker.

Richard Ayoade, Noel Fielding, Roisin Conaty, Maya Jama and Dara O'Briain join host Jimmy Carr and a group of celebrity question-setters (including regulars like Jon Snow and Charles Dance) to crack a smile at 2019 and all the weird and wonderful things that happened in it. Case in point – just what did Donald Trump serve a football team in the White House? And how *did* Jennifer Aniston "break the internet" in one fell swoop?

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Britannia

9.00pm ***Sky Atlantic***

DRAMA There's a funny and slyly knowing "previously" montage at the start of the episode that plays with *Britannia's* impenetrability. It leads us into another dense and bloody chapter of darkness, fear and madness. Poor Cait (excellent Eleanor Worthington Cox), the young chosen one, is subjected to yet another ghastly trial by barmy Divis – you'll remember he hurled her from a cliff into a fast-flowing river – but it seems she at last has a saviour, someone to share the burden of pain.

Meanwhile, in the land of the Cantii, Amena's charming aunty is still itching to have her put to death, while Queen Andra learns the true horror of her origins.

There will be blood... **AG**

Would I Lie to You?

9.30pm ***BBC1***

COMEDY The guest panelists for a mildly festive edition include Stephen Merchant and Sharon Osbourne. If you've never found it easy to warm to Osbourne, you may feel the story she tells about heartlessly firing one of her husband Ozzy's personal assistants rings true. But would she really have sent an assistant back into a burning building to rescue artworks (and dogs), then sacked him for not finding the whole thing funny?

That's one of the fact/fib quandaries in an edition that includes David Mitchell claiming to have once comforted a drunk sheep in a pub car park, and Merchant describing an accident he once had while trying to *fake* an accident to get on *You've Been Framed!* **DAVID BUTCHER**



SPECTRAL TREAT
Adam (Douglas Henshall) has a chilly encounter

Susan Hill's Ghost Story: The Small Hand

9.00pm ***Channel 5***

DRAMA Antiquarian book dealer Adam Snow becomes lost driving to visit a client, and ends up outside the warped gates of a huge, derelict house surrounded by overgrown gardens. Suddenly the tiny hand of a child slips into Adam's own and pulls him forward... but there is no child... Adam is alone. Oooh creepy!

Barbara (*Waking the Dead*) Machin has done a good job adapting Susan Hill's thrilling ghostly tale, though there are considerable divergences from the original and it goes on too long. But Douglas Henshall is excellent as Adam, a man troubled by ghosts from a past he can't recall.

The atmosphere prickles with menace as Adam becomes increasingly obsessed by the house and is prey to terrifying nightmares. His brother Hugo (Cal MacAninch) is similarly uneasy and both men must unearth long buried horrors. **AG**

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Utopia: In Search of the Dream

iPlayer (ep1 expires today)

Art historian Prof Richard Clay presents a thoughtful three-part doc, examining why dreams of better worlds – or representations of much worse ones, such as *The Hunger Games* or *The Handmaid's Tale* – loom so large in literature, film and TV. Nichelle Nichols, aka Lieutenant Uhura in *Star Trek*, is among the interviewees.

Revolution and Romance

iPlayer
(eps 1 & 2 expire today)

Suzy Klein enthuses about the 19th century's wealth of music geniuses: Beethoven, Schubert, Verdi, Chopin, Liszt, Berlioz and Wagner. **JACK SEALE**

BEST LIVE SPORT



■ **Racing from Kempton Park**
12.50pm ***ITV*** Will it be a repeat victory for Clan Des Obeaux in the King George VI Chase?

■ **Test Cricket: South Africa v England, first Test, day one**
7am ***Sky Cricket/Main Event***
The start of a four-match series.

■ **Premier League Football**
from 11.30am ***Amazon Prime***
Nine live matches, including Liverpool v Leicester. *See p158*

FILMS OF THE DAY

Paddington 2/ Skyfall

7.20pm ***BBC1/****8.30pm* ***ITV***

Delightful sequel and the exciting Daniel Craig Bond movie. **See pages 83 and 85**

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Boxing Day

DAYTIME

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast With Naga Munchetty. (S) (HD)

9.00 The Good Dinosaur ★★★★ Pixar comedy adventure. A young apatosaurus called Arlo becomes lost in a dangerous world of predators. Director Peter Sohn (2015, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

10.25 Wreck-It Ralph ★★★ Animated adventure. The villain of an arcade game sets off on a quest to prove there's more to him than just being a bad guy. **Review p83.** Director Rich Moore (2012, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12 noon Spy in the Snow An intimate look at how living in the snow tests animals to their limit. (R) (S) (HD)

1.00pm BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

1.25 Room on the Broom Animated tale based on the children's picture book by Julia Donaldson. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

1.50 The Boss Baby ★★★ Animated comedy with the voice of Alec Baldwin. A seven-year-old boy joins forces with his suit-wearing baby brother to defeat an evil businessman. **Review p83; Children's Choice, p159.** Director Tom McGrath (2017, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

RED BUTTON 2.30–5.30 Final Score Will Perry presents the latest football scores

3.20–3.45 Mimi and the Mountain Dragon Animated tale based on the book by Michael Morpurgo in which a young girl's decision to return a baby dragon to its home brings peace to her village. **Children's Choice, p159.** (S) (HD) **See feature: p14**

BBC2

5.50–6.50am Sign Zone Inside the Christmas Factory A factory producing 200,000 canapés every day. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

6.50 This Farming Life A new family of dairy farmers, the McLeans, are introduced. (R) (S) (HD)

7.50 Race across the World Five teams race from London to Singapore without getting on a plane.

8.50 The travellers head for Baku. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

9.50 The Planets Professor Brian Cox reveals the solar system was once home to two blue planets. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

10.50 Oklahoma! ★★★★ Musical. When Curly fails to invite girlfriend Laurey to a dance, she agrees to accompany shady hired hand Jud Fry instead. But after the pair are reunited, Jud is consumed by jealousy. **Review p83.** Director Fred Zinnemann (1955, U) (S) (W) (HD)

1.05–3.30pm Guys and Dolls ★★★★ Musical comedy. Hustler Nathan Detroit searches for a new location for his dice game. But when he finds a suitable garage, he has to make a $1,000 bet with gambler Sky Masterson to raise the necessary finance. **Review p83.** Director Joseph L Mankiewicz (1955, U) (S) (AD) (W)

ITV

6.00am CITV See page 165

9.25 Midsomer Murders Strangler's Wood Barnaby and Troy re-examine three similar unsolved murders in the same village. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

11.30 You've Been Framed! Harry Hill revisits some of the nation's favourite funniest videos. (R) (S) (HD)

12.30pm ITV News Weather (S) (HD)

12.50 LIVE Racing Ed Chamberlin introduces coverage of the **3.05** King George VI Chase from Kempton Park, which follows starts at **1.20**, **1.55** and **2.30**. Plus a race from Wetherby at **2.10**. (S) (HD)

3.30–4.00 Tipping Point: Best Ever Finals The show's most dramatic endgames. (R) (S) (HD)

Channel 4

6.05am Everybody Loves Raymond (R) (S) (AD)

7.25 Frasier Two episodes of the sitcom. (R) (S) (AD)

8.20 The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie ★★★★ Animated comedy. SpongeBob tries to reclaim a stolen crown. Director Stephen Hillenburg (2004, U) (S) (W) (HD)
The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge out of Water tomorrow 9am

10.05 The Boxtrolls ★★★ Animated adventure. An orphan raised by quirky creatures joins them in a fight against an evil exterminator.
Directors Graham Annable and Anthony Stacchi (2014, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

12 noon The Simpsons Double bill. (R) (S) (AD)

1.00pm The Tiger Who Came to Tea Hand-drawn animated version of Judith Kerr's tale. **See choice, page 130.** First shown Christmas Eve 7.30pm (S) (AD) (HD)

1.35–2.50 The Great Christmas Bake Off Noel and Sandi host the first of two festive specials. **See choice, page 141.** Shown yesterday 7.10pm (S) (AD) (HD)

BBC1



Paddington 2 *7.20pm* The bear ends up behind bars when he tries to find the perfect present

3.45pm The Jungle Book ★★★★
Adventure starring Neel Sethi and featuring the voices of Bill Murray and Idris Elba. Raised in the jungle by wolves, "man cub" Mowgli flees his home after the arrival of tiger Shere Khan. **Review p83.**
Director Jon Favreau (2016, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

5.25 Wallace & Gromit: A Matter of Loaf and Death
With a murderer on the loose targeting bakers, it falls to Gromit to discover the identity of the Cereal Killer.
Writers Nick Park and Bob Baker
Director Nick Park; Producer Steve Pegram (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

5.55 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

6.20 Worzel Gummidge
RT *1/2.* **The Scarecrow of Scatterbrook**
Mackenzie Crook updates the tale of the walking-talking scarecrow and takes the title role. After a poor harvest, Worzel Gummidge joins forces with farmhands Susan and John in an attempt to save the day. Continues tomorrow 7pm. **See p158.**

Worzel Gummidge	**Mackenzie Crook**	Root Bound	**Kiran Shah**
Mr Braithwaite	**Steve Pemberton**	Rustle Sprouter	**Charlie Mayhew**
Mrs Braithwaite	**Rosie Cavaliero**	The Green Man	**Michael Palin**
Susan	**India Brown**	Lady Bloomsbury Barton	**Zoë Wanamaker**
John	**Thierry Wickens**	Jackie Pudding	**Lucy Montgomery**
Aunt Sally	**Vicki Pepperdine**	Soggy Bogart	**Colin Michael Carmichael**
HMS Odney	**Tom Meeten**	Oswald Pollypop	**Gus Brown**
Earthy Mangold	**Francesca Mills**	Chopper	**Kiran Shah**
Clarty	**Tim Plester**	Trike	**Malik Ibheis**
Lofty Mawkin	**Phil Hulford**	Cab driver	**Ben Langley**
Flat Alastair	**Andrew James Spooner**	Museum receptionist	**Mariam Haque**
Rag Bag	**Christopher-Robert Barlow**		

Producer Georgie Fallon; Director Mackenzie Crook (S) (AD) (HD)
See feature: page 27

7.20 Paddington 2 ★★★★★
Family comedy. When a rare book is stolen before Paddington can buy it as a birthday present for his aunt Lucy, the little bear is arrested as the prime suspect in the theft. **Film of the Day: p83.**

Paddington	**Ben Whishaw** (voice only)	Mr Curry	**Peter Capaldi**
Henry Brown	**Hugh Bonneville**	Aunt Lucy	**Imelda Staunton** (voice only)
Mary Brown	**Sally Hawkins**	Uncle Pastuzo	**Michael Gambon** (voice only)
Phoenix Buchanan	**Hugh Grant**	Jonathan Brown	**Samuel Joslin**
"Knuckles" McGinty	**Brendan Gleeson**	Judy Brown	**Madeleine Harris**
Mrs Bird	**Julie Walters**	Phoenix's agent	**Joanna Lumley**
Mr Gruber	**Jim Broadbent**	Judge Gerald Biggleswade	**Tom Conti**

Director Paul King (2017, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
Also showing New Year's Eve 1.30pm
Paddington: the Man behind the Bear is at 9pm on BBC2

9.00 EastEnders
The events of Christmas Day weigh heavy in Walford.
Writer Daran Little Cast pages 170/240 (S) (AD) (HD)

9.30 Would I Lie to You at Christmas?
RT Festive poker facery as David Mitchell is joined by Liz Bonnin and Stephen Merchant, while Lee Mack has Sharon Osbourne and Dr Ranj Singh lying on his side. Rob Brydon hosts. **See page 159.**
Director Liz Clare; Producers Hannah Duncombe and Chloe Sibthorp
Repeated Sunday 11.35pm (S) (HD)

10.05 BBC News Weather (S) (HD)

10.20 Match of the Day
Today's Premier League fixtures, including Leicester City v Liverpool, Tottenham Hotspur v Brighton & Hove Albion and Chelsea v Southampton.
Repeated tomorrow 8.10am (S) (HD)

11.50 Michael McIntyre's Big Christmas Show
With guests Sharon Osbourne and Craig Revel Horwood.
Shown yesterday 6pm (S) (HD)

12.50am Take Off with Bradley and Holly *1/2.* Bradley Walsh and Holly Willoughby bring Christmas cheer in a new family entertainment show. Shown Christmas Eve 8pm (S) (HD)
1.50 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) (HD)
1.55–6.00am BBC News (S) (HD)

BBC1 Freeview 1 Freesat 101 Sky 101 Virgin 101
HD Freeview 101 Freesat 106 Sky 115 Virgin 108

BBC2



Paddington: the Man behind the Bear *9.00pm* How the character reflects Michael Bond's experiences

3.30pm The Marvellous World of Roald Dahl
A look at the remarkable adventures of the former fighter pilot, inventor and spy who became a writer.
Director Andrew Thompson; Exec producer Pauline Law (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

4.30 Final Score
Will Perry presents a round-up of football results. (S) (HD)

5.30 Porridge ★★★
Comedy based on the BBC TV series. Detained at Her Majesty's pleasure, cell-mates Fletcher and Godber become unwilling accomplices to an escape attempt during a football match.

Norman Fletcher	**Ronnie Barker**	"Grouty"	**Peter Vaughan**
Lennie Godber	**Richard Beckinsale**	Bainbridge	**Julian Holloway**
Mackay	**Fulton Mackay**	Governor	**Geoffrey Bayldon**
Barrowclough	**Brian Wilde**	Beale	**Christopher Godwin**

Director Dick Clement (1979, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

7.00 The Many Faces of Ronnie Barker
An affectionate tribute to the much-loved comedian.
Series producer Charlie Stuart; Exec producer Stephen Stewart (R) (S) (HD)

8.00 The Two Ronnies: the Studio Recordings
Memorable moments from the classic comedy show, featuring unedited takes of famous and more obscure sketches recorded for the series.
Producer Elaine Shepherd; Executive producer Caroline Wright (R) (S)

8.30 Christmas University Challenge
4/10 *Series 9.* A Liverpool team that includes actress Anna Maxwell Martin and broadcaster Roger Bolton competes against a side from Hull featuring comedian Lucy Beaumont and writer Tracy Borman. Jeremy Paxman is question master. (S) (HD)

9.00 Paddington: the Man behind the Bear
RT This look at how Michael Bond created the amiable bear reveals the role played by the decency and understanding he observed during his childhood. From encounters with refugees during the war, to witnessing the arrival of the Windrush generation, Bond was inspired to bring to life a character the whole world has come to love. Stephen Fry, Heston Blumenthal, Lauren Child, Bernard Cribbins, Valerie Singleton and Jeremy Clarkson are among the famous fans sharing their memories. Narrated by Hugh Bonneville. **See p158.**
Director Eric Haynes; Executive producer Richard Bright (S) (AD) (HD)
RT BOOKS To order *A Bear Called Paddington* for £6.99 plus p&p, call 03302 232639 or visit radiotimes.com/shop52
See feature: page 17

10.00 Hugh Grant: a Life on Screen
The actor discusses his career. **See choice, p120.**
Shown Monday 23 December 9pm (S) (HD)

11.00 Florence Foster Jenkins ★★★★★
Comedy drama based on a true story. New York heiress Florence Foster Jenkins dreams of one day becoming a great opera singer. Unfortunately, Florence cannot sing a note. **Review page 85.**

Florence Foster Jenkins	**Meryl Streep**	John Totten	**Allan Corduner**
St Clair Bayfield	**Hugh Grant**	Earl Wilson	**Christian McKay**
Cosme McMoon	**Simon Helberg**	Carlo Edwards	**David Haig**
Kathleen	**Rebecca Ferguson**	Dr Hermann	**John Sessions**
Agnes Stark	**Nina Arianda**	Arturo Toscanini	**John Kavanagh**

Director Stephen Frears (2016, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.45am The Entertainer ★★★ Drama starring Laurence Olivier. Married to an alcoholic and working in a cheap song-and-dance routine, vaudeville actor Archie Rice shows little interest in improving his life and he exploits his family to sustain his belief in his own success. **Review p85.**
Director Tony Richardson (1960, PG) (BW) (S)

2.25–4.25am Sign Zone 2.25 Heston's Marvellous Menu: back to the Noughties Heston Blumenthal re-creates a menu he served almost 20 years ago. Shown last Thu (S) (AD) (HD)
3.25 Rick Stein's Secret France *6/6.* The chef concludes his tour with trips to the Languedoc and Provence. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

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ITV



Paul O'Grady: for the Love of Dogs *6.00pm* Making friends with Patterdale terrier Pudding

4.00pm Tenable All Stars
Warwick Davis is joined by panto celebrities Paul Chuckle, Rustie Lee, Paul Zerdin, Debbie McGee and Louie Spence, as they take on the Tenable Tower and attempt to win £125,000 for their chosen charities.
Series director Ollie Bartlett; Series producer Mike Maclaine (S) (HD)

5.00 ITV News Weather (S) (HD)

5.15 In for a Christmas Penny
Stephen Mulhern spreads some cheer on the streets of Manchester in his roving game show. With a sackful of cash to be won, he challenges shoppers to tackle a host of seasonal games.
Shown Saturday 21 December 7.25pm (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00 Paul O'Grady: for the Love of Dogs
On a seasonal trip to Battersea, Mr O is enlisted to help some mutts with behavioural problems. Among the canines getting the benefit of Paul's attention are Misty, a reclusive mongrel who won't leave her kennel, and Teddy, a grumpy Yorkshire terrier who is now refusing to walk. He also encounters a stray with a very fitting name for Christmas – one-year-old Sprout is so excitable, he can't stop having accidents.
Series director Melissa McCall; Series producer Katie Greaves
Repeated Sunday 29 December 2.25pm (S) (AD) (HD)

7.00 Emmerdale
Graham pleads his case to Rhona, while David is determined to keep things quiet.
Writer Lesley Clare O'Neill This week's episodes produced by Kate Brooks and Laura Shaw, directed by Tracey Rooney and Neil Johnston Cast pp231/241
Repeated tomorrow 7.10am and 12.20pm ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Coronation Street
Following one of the most dramatic Christmas Days in Weatherfield history, the long-suffering residents try to get their lives back in order.
Writer Alasdair Morrison Cast pp123/201
Repeated tomorrow 8am ITV2 and 1.25pm ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.30 Skyfall ★★★★★
James Bond adventure starring Daniel Craig as agent 007. When an operation to retrieve a computer hard drive containing the names of agents goes wrong, the authority of MI6 boss M comes under scrutiny. Her only ally seems to be Bond, who is assigned to track down the mastermind behind the theft. It's a mission that will reveal long-hidden secrets from M's and Bond's pasts. **Film of the Day: page 85.**

James Bond	**Daniel Craig**	Q	**Ben Whishaw**
M	**Judi Dench**	Kincade	**Albert Finney**
Silva	**Javier Bardem**	Bill Tanner	**Rory Kinnear**
Gareth Mallory	**Ralph Fiennes**	Patrice	**Ola Rapace**
Eve	**Naomie Harris**	Clair Dowar	**Helen McCrory**
Severine	**Bérénice Lim Marlohe**		

Director Sam Mendes (2012, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
Spectre is on New Year's Eve at 8pm

11.10 ITV News Weather (S) (HD)

11.30 The Jonathan Ross Show
Jonathan chats to actors David Tennant and David Oyelowo, pop star Rita Ora, TV presenter Rylan Clark-Neal, jazz musician Jamie Cullum, emerging comedy star Bec Hill and former *X Factor* judge Sharon Osbourne.
Shown Christmas Eve 9pm (S) (HD)

12.30am Home Shopping
3.00 Who's Doing the Dishes? With TV presenter Charlotte Hawkins. (R) (S) (SL) (HD)
3.45 Nightscreen Text information. (HD)
5.05–6.00am Ainsley's Caribbean Kitchen Ainsley Harriott continues his tour of Jamaica. (R) (S) (SL) (HD)

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Channel 4



Big Fat Quiz of the Year *9.00pm* Jimmy Carr finds out how much his famous guests can remember

2.50pm Guy Martin's Great Escape
The petrolhead attempts to re-create the motorcycle stunt in the film *The Great Escape*, in which Steve McQueen's character, Captain Hilts, steals a motorbike and tries to jump two border fences into Switzerland, but crashes and is recaptured. Now Guy wants to do what Hilts couldn't – by clearing both obstacles.
Director Ewan Keil; Producers Tom Norton and Graham Smiles
Repeated New Year's Day 9pm More4 (R) (S) (HD)

4.50 Channel 4 News; Sport; Weather (S) (HD)

5.00 Ratatouille ★★★★
Animated comedy from Pixar. A young country rat comes to Paris, against all family advice, to seek his destiny as the best chef in all of France, but as a rodent is *de trop* in a restaurant, he has to let a hopeless cook take the credit for his culinary brilliance.
Featuring the voices of:

Remy	**Patton Oswalt**	Mustafa	**John Ratzenberger**
Linguini	**Lou Romano**	Auguste Gusteau	**Brad Garrett**
Anton Ego	**Peter O'Toole**	Colette	**Janeane Garofalo**
Skinner	**Ian Holm**	Horst	**Will Arnett**
Django	**Brian Dennehy**	LaRousse	**James Remar**

Directors Brad Bird and Jan Pinkava (2007, U) (S) (W) (HD)

7.10 Men in Black 3 ★★★★
Science-fiction comedy starring Will Smith. The fight against aliens is taken to a new dimension when Agent J is forced to travel back to 1969 in an effort to prevent his partner's murder by ruthless fugitive Boris the Animal.

Agent J	**Will Smith**	Boris	**Jemaine Clement**
Agent K	**Tommy Lee Jones**	Andy Warhol	**Bill Hader**
Young Agent K	**Josh Brolin**	Lilly	**Nicole Scherzinger**
O	**Emma Thompson**	Griffin	**Michael Stuhlbarg**
Young Agent O	**Alice Eve**	Agent X	**David Rasche**

Director Barry Sonnenfeld (2012, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

9.00 Big Fat Quiz of the Year
RT Question master Jimmy Carr finds out whether Richard Ayoade, Noel Fielding, Roisin Conaty, Maya Jama or Dara O'Briain knows the most about the major events of the last 12 months. Helping to set the questions are Jon Snow, Mitchell Brook Primary School and numerous celebrities. *Big Fat Quiz of the Decade* is on Thursday 2 January 9pm. **See page 159.**
Director Mick Thomas; Series producer Juliet Redden Repeated tomorrow 10pm 4seven and New Year's Eve 11.05pm C4 (S) (HD)

11.05 The Wolf of Wall Street ★★★★★
Blackly comic drama based on a true story, starring Leonardo DiCaprio. With his dreams of wealth and a gift with words, Jordon Belfort rises through the ranks of Wall Street traders during the 1980s. But his success brings notoriety, and his increasingly shady activities attract the attention of the FBI. **Review page 85.**

Jordan Belfort	**Leonardo DiCaprio**	Manny Riskin	**Jon Favreau**
Donnie Azoff	**Jonah Hill**	Aunt Emma	**Joanna Lumley**
Naomi Lapaglia	**Margot Robbie**	Nicky "Rugrat" Koskoff	**PJ Byrne**
Patrick Denham	**Kyle Chandler**	Dwayne	**Spike Jonze**
Max Belfort	**Rob Reiner**	Toby Welch	**Ethan Suplee**
Mark Hanna	**Matthew McConaughey**	Captain Ted Beecham	**Shea Whigham**
Brad	**Jon Bernthal**	Leah Belfort	**Christine Ebersole**
Jean-Jacques Saurel	**Jean Dujardin**	Chester Ming	**Kenneth Choi**

Director Martin Scorsese (2013, 18) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

2.15am The Best Man Holiday ★★★ Comedy drama starring Terrence Howard, Taye Diggs and Morris Chestnut. College friends get together for a reunion after 15 years, but old rivalries and romances soon rear their ugly heads. **Review page 85.**
Director Malcolm D Lee (2013, 15) (S) (SL) (W) (HD)
4.20 A Very British Country House *2/4.* Numerous high society guests arrive. (R) (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)
5.15–5.35am Kirstie's Vintage Gems Kirstie Allsopp creates a 1950s-inspired family playroom. (R) (S) (HD)

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BBC4



Royal Institution Christmas Lectures *8.00pm* Dr Hannah Fry analyses luck

7.00pm The Sound of Movie Musicals with Neil Brand
1/3. Musician and broadcaster Neil Brand chronicles the colourful history of the film musical. The story begins in 1929 with the trailblazing *Broadway Melody*, which won one of the first Academy Awards. From there, Neil traces the genre through the golden age of celluloid musicals in the 1930s, as the partnership of Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers brought dance to the big screen, before *Snow White* and *The Wizard of Oz* propelled mass entertainment to new heights. Continues tomorrow 7pm. (R) (S) (HD)

8.00 Royal Institution Christmas Lectures: Secrets and Lies – the Hidden Power of Maths
RT ***1/3. How to Get Lucky.*** Dr Hannah Fry investigates whether we can control our destinies by making our own luck, as she uses experiments to assess the possibilities of prediction – as well as revealing the way to ensure the perfect pulling of a Christmas cracker. She also meets the maths guru behind Liverpool FC's winning streak and finds out the way top athletes learn how to acquire "lucky" mindsets. But as mathematician and comedian Matt Parker helps her to whittle the audience down to one, is it all really down to luck? Another lecture tomorrow 8pm. **See page 158.**
Signed repeat 2.40am (S) (HD)

9.00 One Foot in the Algarve
Victor and Margaret encounter more than just sea and sand on holiday in Portugal in this special from 1993.

Victor Meldrew	**Richard Wilson**
Margaret Meldrew	**Annette Crosbie**
Mrs Warboys	**Doreen Mantle**
Martin Trout	**Peter Cook**
Afonso	**Edward de Souza**

Writer David Renwick (R) (S)

10.35 Comedy Connections
One Foot in the Grave. David Renwick's sitcom spawned television's most miserable man in cantankerous Victor Meldrew. Richard Wilson, Annette Crosbie and Angus Deayton recall a series that effortlessly mixed comedy with farce and tragedy. (R) (S)
RT DVDs To order *One Foot in the Grave Complete Collection*, price £26.99 incl p&p (RRP £59.99), call 0844 848 7300 or visit radiotimes.com/dvds52, quoting ref RT1791

11.15 British Sitcom: 60 Years of Laughing at Ourselves
Exploring how British comedy has reflected changing attitudes in society. Narrated by Rebecca Front.
Director/Producer Breid McLoone (R) (S) (AD)

12.15am Christmas TOTP2 Special Featuring Blur, Slade, Wizzard, Pretenders, Wham!, East 17, the Pogues and Kate Bush.
First shown on BBC2 (S) (HD)
1.45 ...Sings Disney Songs Interpretations of music from the studio's films. (R) (S)
2.40–3.40am Royal Institution Christmas Lectures Shown 8pm (S) (SL)

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Regional variations

BBC1 SCOTLAND
3.45pm Screen Grab: helping an Ayrshire family confront their obsession with screens
4.30–5.25 Sportscene Results: with David Currie

BBC SCOTLAND
As BBC2 until:
7.00pm The Seven
7.15 Rewind 1990s: the highs and lows of 1992
7.30 The Edit: Amy Irons and David Farrell spend Christmas night with the stars
8.00 FILM: Tommy's Honour: drama starring Peter Mullan
9.45 The Nine Sport Review of the Year
10.45 Two Doors Down: festive edition
11.15 Breaking the News: Des Clarke hosts a Christmas special
11.45–12 midnight Rewind 1990s

STV
12.30am Who's Doing the Dishes?: chef Aldo Zilli throws a dinner party for four strangers
1.20–5.05 Nightscreen

BBC2 NORTHERN IRELAND
4.30–5.30pm Final Score: including at 5.00 Final Score from Northern Ireland
10.00–10.30 Roy Walker: beyond a Joke: the comedian reflects on the highs and lows of his life

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Boxing Day

Channel 5 5



Susan Hill's Ghost Story – The Small Hand *9.00pm* Adam is haunted

Freeview 5 **Freesat** 105 **Sky** 105 **Virgin** 105
HD **Freeview** 105 **Freesat** 105 **Virgin** 150

6.00am Milkshake! See page 165
9.30 Access (S) (HD)
9.35 Beethoven ★★★★ Comedy starring Charles Grodin. The Newton family adopt a St Bernard puppy.
Director Brian Levant (1992, U) (S) (W) (HD)
11.25 Friends Gavin surprises Rachel. (S) (HD)
11.55 Ross tries to make Rachel jealous. (S) (HD)
12.25pm *New.* Neighbours
Repeated 4.40pm (S) (AD) (HD)
12.55 Wyatt Earp ★★★★ Epic western drama starring Kevin Costner as one of the Wild West's toughest lawmen.
Director Lawrence Kasdan (1994, 12) (S) (W)
4.40 Neighbours Harlow runs a big risk.
Shown 12.25pm (S) (AD) (HD)
5.15pm Cool Runnings ★★★★
Sports comedy based on a true story. A Jamaican sprinter forms his country's first ever Olympic bobsleigh team. **Review page 83.**

Derice Bannock	**Leon**
Irving Blitzer	**John Candy**
Sanka Coffie	**Doug E Doug**
Junior Bevil	**Rawle D Lewis**
Yul Brenner	**Malik Yoba**

Director Jon Turteltaub (1993, PG) (S) (W) (HD)
Also showing New Year's Day 1.40pm
7.00 Secrets of the Christmas Factory
A look at how staples of the festive season are actually manufactured.
First shown last Friday (S) (HD)
Followed by **5 News Update** (S) (HD)
8.00 *New.* World's Strongest Man
Action from the Giants Live World Tour Finals at the MEN Arena in Manchester.
Director/Producer Colin Bryce (S) (HD)
Followed by **5 News Update** (S) (HD)
9.00 *New.* Susan Hill's Ghost Story – The Small Hand
RT Douglas Henshall stars as Adam Snow, an antique book dealer who finds himself haunted by the ghost of a boy – and the sinister visits ultimately reveal a childhood secret. **See page 159.**

Adam Snow	**Douglas Henshall**
Denisa Parsons	**Neve McIntosh**
Alice Merriman	**Louise Lombard**
Edward Merriman	**Adrian Rawlins**
Leo	**Casper Knopf**

Dramatised by Barbara Machin; Executive producers Jeff Norton, Alan Clements, Susan Hill and Mark Thomas; Director Justin Molotnikov (S) (HD)
RT BOOKS To order *The Benefit of Hindsight* for £18 incl p&p, call 03302 232 639 or visit radiotimes.com/shop52
See feature: page 38
10.55 The Woman in Black ★★★
Horror thriller with Daniel Radcliffe. A solicitor witnesses ghostly sights when sent to examine documents left by a recently deceased woman. **Review p85.**
Director James Watkins (2011, 12) (S) (W) (HD)
1.00am *New.* Casino (S) (HD) **3.00 FILM** Twins ★★★★ Buddy comedy (S) (W) (HD) **4.45** Now That's Funny! (S) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** House Doctor (S) (SL)

+1 **Freeview** 44 **Freesat** 128 **Sky** 205 **Virgin** 155
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ITV2 6



Jurassic Park *6.25pm* John has an extra surprise for Ellie and Alan

F'view 6 **F'sat** 113 **Sky** 118 **Virgin** 115 **HD** **Virgin** 176

6.00am The Planet's Funniest Animals (S) **6.20** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **7.15** Emmerdale (S) (AD) (HD) **8.05** Coronation Street (S) (AD) (HD) **9.05** You've Been Framed! Gold: Family Special (S) **10.05 FILM** Nanny McPhee & the Big Bang ★★★★ **See Children's choice, p189** (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
12.15pm Emmerdale **See choice, p140** Shown yesterday 7pm ITV (S) (AD) (HD) **1.20** Coronation Street **See choice, p140** Shown yesterday 8pm ITV (S) (AD) (HD) **2.25** Minion Madness (S) (HD) **2.45 FILM** Minions ★★★ Animated comedy. **Review p92** (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **4.40 FILM** The Secret Life of Pets ★★★ (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
6.25pm Jurassic Park ★★★★★
Blockbuster adventure. Billionaire tycoon John Hammond has built a theme park populated by genetically engineered dinosaurs. A group of guests are invited to preview the attraction, but when they become stranded, mayhem is about to break loose. **Review page 83.**

Dr Alan Grant	**Sam Neill**
Dr Ellie Sattler	**Laura Dern**
Ian Malcolm	**Jeff Goldblum**
John Hammond	**Richard Attenborough**
Robert Muldoon	**Bob Peck**

Director Steven Spielberg (1993, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
9.00 Bridesmaids ★★★★★
Comedy starring Kristen Wiig and Rose Byrne. When Lillian announces her engagement, she can't wait to share the happiest day of her life with her girlfriends. But plans for the bachelorette party descend into chaos. **Review p90.**
Director Paul Feig (2011, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
11.35 Family Guy
Series 15. Peter is locked in a library. (S) (AD) (HD)
12 midnight *Series 7.* The Griffins get a new dog, prompting Brian to leave. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.30am American Dad! (S) (AD) (HD) **1.25** Plebs (S) (AD) (HD) **1.55 FILM** Love Actually ★★★ Romantic comedy (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **4.30** Educating Joey Essex: the American Reem (S) (HD) **5.20** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **5.45–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITV2+1 **Freeview** 27 **Freesat** 114 **Sky** 218 **Virgin** 116

ITV4 24

F'view 24 **F'sat** 117 **Sky** 120 **Virgin** 118 **HD** **Virgin** 178

6.00am Football's Greatest: Eusebio (S) (HD) **6.05** The Car Chasers (S) (SL) (HD) **6.30** DirtQuake (S) (HD) **7.20** Isle of Man TT (S) (HD) **9.10** Goodwood Revival Highlights (S) (HD) **10.10** Football's Foreign Legion (S) (AD) (HD) **11.10** Banks of England (S) (AD) (HD) **11.40** Columbo and the Murder of a Rock Star (S) (AD) (HD)
1.45pm FILM Battle of the Bulge ★★★★ Second World War action drama. (S) (W) (HD)
4.55 FILM The Green Berets ★★ Vietnam War drama starring John Wayne, David Janssen and Jim Hutton. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
8.00 FILM Rocky III ★★ Boxing drama starring Sylvester Stallone, Carl Weathers, Mr T and Talia Shire. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
10.05 FILM Rambo: First Blood, Part II ★★★ Action drama starring Sylvester Stallone as ex-Green Beret John Rambo. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
11.55 FILM Rush Hour ★★★★ Martial arts action comedy starring Jackie Chan, Chris Tucker and Tom Wilkinson. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
2.00am Speed Freaks (S) (HD) **3.00** The Americans (S) (AD) (HD) **3.50** Nightscreen (HD) **4.20** Minder (S) (SL) (AD) **5.10–6.00am** The Sweeney (S) (SL)

ITV4 +1 **Freesat** 154 **Sky** 220 **Virgin** 175

ITV3 10



Vera *8.00pm* DS Healy and DCI Stanhope both detect foul play

F'view 10 **F'sat** 115 **Sky** 119 **Virgin** 117 **HD** **Virgin** 177

6.00am The Royal (S) (AD) (HD) **7.05** Agatha Christie's Marple (S) (AD) (HD) **9.15 FILM** Carry On Henry ★★★ Comedy (S) (AD) (W) **11.00 FILM** Carry On Loving ★★ Comedy starring Sidney James (S) (AD) (W)
12.50pm FILM Carry On Behind ★★ Comedy (S) (W) **2.35 FILM** Carry On Up the Jungle ★★★ Comedy starring Frankie Howerd (S) (AD) **4.20 FILM** Carry On Dick ★★★ Comedy starring Sidney James (S) (W)
6.10pm Carry On Follow That Camel
★★ Comedy starring Phil Silvers and Jim Dale. Unjustly accused of being a cheat, Bertram Oliphant West joins the French Foreign Legion, where he falls foul of obnoxious Sergeant Nocker and unfriendly Sheik Abdul Abulbul.
Director Gerald Thomas (1967, PG) (S) (AD)
8.00 Vera
4/4 *Series 5.* **Shadows in the Sky.** After Owen Thorne plunges from the roof of a multi-storey car park while picking up his daughter from her school prom, DCI Vera Stanhope investigates. The team soon discovers a work dispute over the death of a young man – with everyone believing Owen was to blame – and the victim's father admits he wanted revenge. (S) (AD) (HD)
10.00 ***1/4*** *Series 7.* **Natural Selection** Vera is called in following the death of a wildlife ranger, whose body has been discovered on the shore of a remote island. At first it looks like a tragic accident, but then marks are found on the body that suggest otherwise. (S) (AD) (HD)

DCI Vera Stanhope	**Brenda Blethyn**
DS Aiden Healy	**Kenny Doughty**
DC Kenny Lockhart	**Jon Morrison**
Dr Anthony Carmichael	**Christopher Colquhoun**
DC Hicham Cherradi	**Noof McEwan**
DC Mark Edwards	**Riley Jones**
Helen Milton	**Lisa Hammond**
Michael Hogarth	**Ewan Stewart**

12 midnight A Touch of Frost (S) (SL)
2.10am Inspector Morse (S) (AD) (HD)
5.50–6.00am Nightscreen

+1 **F'view** 34 *(9pm–midnight)* **F'sat** 116 **Sky** 219 **Virgin** 174

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F'view 26 **F'sat** 118 **Sky** 131 **Virgin** 119 **HD** **Virgin** 179

6.00am Bring It! (HD) **7.35** The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills (S) (HD) **8.30** Income Property (S) (HD) **9.00** LittleBe (HD)
12 noon Cake Wars (S) (HD) **12.55pm** Celebrity Dinner Date (S) (AD) (HD)
6.00pm Celebrity Dinner Date Three singletons wine and dine David Potts.
7.00 Jess Wright chooses three men to date.
8.00 Diags picks three dates based on menus created by five potential partners. (S) (AD) (HD)
9.00 Totally Unbelievable A selection of bust-ups between celebrities. (S) (HD)
10.00 Botched: Most Outrageous Celebrity Patients The top ten most memorable encounters with famous people. (S) (AD) (HD)
10.30 Botched: Most Outrageous Before and After Beverly Hills plastic surgeons Terry Dubrow and Paul Nassif recall some of their unforgettable cases. (S) (AD) (HD)
11.00 *New.* Vanderpump Rules Lisa has to decide Jax's future at SUR. (S) (HD)
11.55 Mob Wives: the Last Stand (S) (HD)
1.40am Vanderpump Rules (S) (HD) **3.15** Bachelor in Paradise (HD) **5.30–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITVBe +1 **Freesat** 119 **Sky** 231 **Virgin** 120

Drama 20



As Time Goes By *7.20pm* Lionel and Jean have their peace interrupted

Freeview 20 **Freesat** 158 **Sky** 143 **Virgin** 130

7.10am Birds of a Feather **7.45** Soldier Soldier: double bill (S) **9.40** Classic Holby City **10.40** The Bill: double bill (S)
12.40pm Classic EastEnders: double bill
2.00 Call the Midwife (S) (AD) (HD)
6.00pm Call the Midwife
4/8 *Series 5.* Sister Julienne has an eye-opening experience. (S) (AD) (HD)
7.20 As Time Goes By
Patrick searches for his father, Jean decides she wants grandchildren and Stephen aspires to becoming a celebrity.
8.00 Father Brown
6/15 *Series 3.* **The Upcott Fraternity**
The apparent suicide of a troubled student leads Father Brown to believe a murderer is at work, and he tries to persuade Sid to go under cover in an attempt to flush out the killer. (S) (AD) (HD)
9.00 Death in Paradise
6/8 *Series 5.* **Dishing Up Murder.** The team get a taste of the high-pressure world of fine dining when a renowned chef comes to a sticky end in his own restaurant. Florence has a final lesson in love for DI Goodman, while Dwayne gets a chance to settle an old debt. (S) (AD) (HD)

DI Humphrey Goodman	**Kris Marshall**
Officer Dwayne Myers	**Danny John-Jules**
DS Florence Cassell	**Joséphine Jobert**
Officer JP Hooper	**Tobi Bakare**
Matt Holt	**Alexander Arnold**

10.20 Silent Witness
1/5 *Series 20.* **Identity.** A severed finger is brought to the Lyell Centre by DCI Rory Goodchild and immigration officer Pia Butler, who ask Nikki and Thomas to test for a DNA match with a young Syrian illegal immigrant who had been sent the digit by a people-smuggler claiming to have her mother and demanding money for her safe return. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.55am The White Princess (S) (AD) (HD)
2.15–4.00am The Heart Guy (HD)

Drama +1 **Sky** 243 **Virgin** 226

Dave 19

F'view 19 **F'sat** 157 **Sky** 111 **Virgin** 127 **HD** **Virgin** 227 **BT** 387

7.10am Modern Wheels or Classic Steals (S) (HD) **7.35** Soapbox Race (HD) **8.25** Expedition with Steve Backshall (S) (AD) (HD) **9.25** Top Gear: Top Fails (AD) **10.25** Top Gear India Special (S) (AD) (HD)
12.20pm Top Gear: Winter Blunderland (AD) (HD) **3.20** Top Gear (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00** Top Gear USA Special: the team travels to America (S) (AD)
6.00pm Soapbox Race Highlights from Eduardo VII Park in Lisbon. (HD)
7.00 World's Most Dangerous Roads Hugh Bonneville and Jessica Hynes drive through the former Soviet republic of Georgia. (S) (HD)
8.00 QI Guests include Josh Widdicombe. (HD)
9.00 Room 101 Guests include Kelly Holmes and Alexander Armstrong. (S) (HD)
9.40 Featuring Des O'Connor, Adrian Chiles and Jameela Jamil. (S) (HD)
10.20 Mock the Week With Angela Barnes, Ed Byrne, Milton Jones and Nish Kumar. (S) (HD)
11.00 Taskmaster ***2/5*** *Series 3.* A challenge involving a cement-filled shoebox. (S) (HD)
12 midnight Have I Got a Bit More News for You (S) (HD) **1.00am** QI (HD) **2.15** Would I Lie to You? (S) (HD) **3.20–4.00am** Mock the Week (S) (HD)

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The Dam Busters *6.35pm* Ready to raid: Wing Commander Guy Gibson

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8.55am Kirstie's Handmade Christmas (S) (HD) **9.15** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun (S) (HD) **10.10 FILM** Carry On Cleo ★★★★ Comedy starring Sidney James (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
12 noon The 100 Greatest Musicals (S) (HD) **2.45pm** Come Dine with Me Christmas (S) (HD) **5.30** The Supervet (S) (AD) (HD)

6.35pm The Dam Busters ★★★★★
Wartime drama, starring Richard Todd and Michael Redgrave, about the RAF mission to destroy the Ruhr dams with "bouncing" bombs designed by engineer Barnes Wallis. **Review page 92.**
Director Michael Anderson (1954, U) (BW) (S) (W)
Also showing New Year's Day 5.25pm

9.00 The Dambusters' Great Escape: Secret History
The RAF's defeat of the German battleship *Tirpitz* in November 1944. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 Father Ted
In a Christmas special, Dougal and Ted get lost in a lingerie department. (S) (AD)

11.15 It Was Alright in the 1970s
A look back at the decade's TV shows, with themes of pleasure and leisure. (S) (HD)
12.20am 24 Hours in A&E (S) (AD) (HD)
2.30–3.45am Father Ted (S) (AD)

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6.00am Olive, the Other Reindeer **6.55** The Snowman (AD) **7.30** The Snowman and the Snowdog (AD) **8.00** How I Met Your Mother (AD) **9.00** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **10.00 FILM** Diary of a Wimpy Kid 3: Dog Days ★★ (W)
12 noon The Big Bang Theory (AD) **1.00pm** The Goldbergs (AD) **2.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine (AD) **3.00** The Big Bang Theory (AD)
6.00pm The Art of The Snowman and the Snowdog The making of the animated film.
6.10 Gogglesprogs at Christmas The young critics give their opinions of the year's TV highlights. Shown Monday 8pm C4 (AD)
7.15 FILM The Simpsons Movie ★★★★ Feature-length outing for America's most dysfunctional family, with the voices of Dan Castellaneta and Julie Kavner. (AD) (W)
9.00 FILM Paddington ★★★★ Comedy starring Hugh Bonneville, Sally Hawkins and Nicole Kidman, and featuring the voice of Ben Whishaw. **Review page 72.** (AD) (W)
10.55 The Inbetweeners *1–4/6 Series 2.* (AD)
1.05am The Big Bang Theory (AD) **2.00** Gogglebox (SL) (AD) **3.00** Naked Attraction (AD) **3.55** The Goldbergs (AD) **4.20** Brooklyn Nine-Nine (AD) **4.45–6.00am** ***New.*** School of Rock: double bill First shown on Nickelodeon

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F'view 47 F'sat 127 Sky 137 Virgin 143 HD F'view 110

9.00am Come Dine with Me **10.00** Celebrity Come Dine with Me **11.00** Come Dine with Me **12 noon** Come Dine with Me Christmas **2.30pm** A Place in the Sun: Home or Away **3.30** A Place in the Sun: Summer Sun **4.30 FILM** Ice Age ★★★ **Review p80** **6.00** The Snowman and the Snowdog (AD) **6.25** The Tiger Who Came to Tea **See choice, p130** (AD) **7.00** Jamie and Jimmy's Festive Feast (AD) **8.00** Gogglesprogs at Christmas (AD) **9.00** Gogglebox 2019 (AD) **11.05** Eight out of Ten Cats Does Countdown **12.10am** The Secret World of Toys (AD) **1.10** First Dates at Christmas (AD) **2.15** Child Genius vs Celebrities (AD) **3.20** Escape to the Château at Christmas (AD) **4.20–4.50am** Frasier (AD)

Paramount Network 54



On Golden Pond *11.10pm* Norman and Ethel have a summer to remember

F'view 54 F'sat 132 Sky 153 Virgin 188 HD Virgin 187

9.00am Access (S) (HD) **9.10** The Office US (HD) **9.40** Now That's Funny! (S) (HD) **11.50 FILM** Wedding Wonderland ★★ Romance (HD)
1.40pm FILM Christmas around the Corner ★★ Drama (HD) **3.30 FILM** Road to Christmas ★★ Drama (HD) **5.15 FILM** Christmas Harmony ★★ Musical comedy (HD)

7.10pm A Star-Crossed Christmas ★★
Romantic drama starring Nick Ballard and Jonna Walsh. A chance meeting brings Julie and Rick together, but their families have been feuding for years...
Director John Stimpson (2017) (HD)

9.00 Field of Dreams ★★★★
Fantasy drama with Kevin Costner. A farmer hears a mysterious voice that inspires him to build a baseball field.
Director Phil Alden Robinson (1989, PG) (HD)

11.10 On Golden Pond ★★★★
Drama starring Katharine Hepburn and Henry Fonda. Ethel and Norman are spending the summer at their New England cottage, but conflict arises when their daughter (Jane Fonda) arrives with her new lover and his son. **Review p85.**
Director Mark Rydell (1981, PG) (HD)

1.30am Sleepy Hollow (HD) **3.25** Arrow (HD) **5.00** Neighbours (S) (AD) (HD) **5.30** Access (S) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** The Office US (HD)

Pick 11

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7.00am Caught Red Handed **9.00** Customs UK **1.00pm** Stop, Search, Seize (AD) **7.00** The Chase Celebrity Special: double bill. With Antony Cotton, Alex Jones, Gyles Brandreth and Paul Martin, then Shane Lynch, Colin Jackson, Fiona Wade and Stephen K Amos taking on the Chaser **9.00** Queen: Live at Wembley: a 1986 concert featuring the band's renditions of classic hits, including *Bohemian Rhapsody* and *Radio Ga Ga* **10.15** Freddie Mercury: the Tribute Concert: the 1992 show, featuring performances by David Bowie, Elton John, Annie Lennox and George Michael
12 midnight How I Caught the Killer **4.00am** Road Wars (AD) **5.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol

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Sony Channel 48

Freeview 48 *(limited)* Freesat 142 Sky 157 Virgin 189

6.00am The Waltons **7.00** Hart to Hart **11.00** Murder, She Wrote **3.00pm FILM** Agatha Christie's A Caribbean Mystery ★★ **5.00** Agatha Christie's Sparkling Cyanide: murder mystery starring Pauline Collins **7.00** M*A*S*H **9.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?
12 midnight M*A*S*H **2.00am** Hart to Hart **3.00** M*A*S*H **3.30** The Waltons **4.20** Touched by an Angel **5.10–6.00am** Highway to Heaven

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Horror Channel 70

Freeview 70 Freesat 138 Sky 317 Virgin 149

8.00am seaQuest DSV **9.00** Star Trek: Voyager **10.00** Star Trek **11.00** The Beast **2.35pm** Tales from the Darkside **3.00** Sliders **4.00 FILM** Terrordactyl ★★ Sci-fi action comedy
6.00pm Star Trek **7.00** Star Trek: Voyager **8.00** Mutant X **9.00 FILM** The 6th Day ★★★★ Sci-fi action thriller starring Arnold Schwarzenegger **11.20 FILM** Texas Chainsaw Massacre: the Next Generation ★★★ Horror sequel starring Renee Zellweger and Matthew McConaughey
1.05am FILM Summer Camp ★★ Horror English, Spanish +subtitles. **2.45–4.30am FILM** Thirst ★★ Sci-fi horror starring John Redlinger

5 USA 21

Freeview 21 Freesat 129 Sky 141 Virgin 153

9.00am Access **9.10** Criminals: Caught on Camera **9.35** CSI: NY (S) **11.15** Murder, She Wrote (S) **1.20pm** Columbo: a Deadly State of Mind (S) **3.00** Columbo: the Conspirators (S) **5.05** Columbo: Dagger of the Mind (S) **7.05pm** NCIS (S) (AD) **9.00** ***New.*** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit: four episodes. *Series 18* The CEO of a record label is questioned over an assault First shown on Universal TV **10.00** *Series 16.* A Chicago crime resembles an old New York City case **10.55** The daughter of a convicted rapist tries to have him released **11.55** A young boy is kidnapped (S) (AD) **12.55am** CSI: Miami (S) (AD) **3.50–4.00am** Access

5 USA +1 F'view 57 (not 2-4am) F'sat 130 Sky 241 Virgin 185

5 Star 30

Freeview 30 Freesat 131 Sky 128 Virgin 151

8.00am 3rd Rock from the Sun (S) (HD) **8.45** Will & Grace (HD) **10.40** World's Strongest Man **1.35pm FILM** Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked ★★ Part-animated comedy adventure (S) **3.15 FILM** Jumper ★★★ Sci-fi action thriller (S) **5.05 FILM** Ace Ventura: Pet Detective ★★★★ Comedy starring Jim Carrey and Courteney Cox (S) **6.55pm FILM** The Mask ★★★★★ Fantasy comedy starring Jim Carrey and Cameron Diaz (S) **9.00 FILM** The Wedding Singer ★★★★ Romantic comedy starring Adam Sandler, Drew Barrymore and Christine Taylor (S) **11.00 FILM** Hall Pass ★★ Comedy starring Owen Wilson and Jason Sudeikis (S) **1.05am** Greatest Ever Movie Blunders: Elis James points out mistakes in films **2.05** Wentworth Prison **3.05–4.00am** Rich Kids, Skint Holiday

5 Star +1 Freeview 56 Sky 228 Virgin 186

5 Spike 31

Freeview 31 Freesat 141 Sky 150 Virgin 154

9.00am The A-Team (AD) (HD) **10.00** Police Interceptors (HD) **11.00 FILM** Behold a Pale Horse ★★★ Drama with Gregory Peck (BW) (HD) **1.35pm** Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away (HD) **6.20pm FILM** McLintock! ★★★ Comedy western starring John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara (HD) **9.00 FILM** Two Mules for Sister Sara ★★★★ Western starring Clint Eastwood, Shirley MacLaine and Manolo Fabregas (HD) **11.20** Fights, Camera, Action! (HD) **12.20am** Airwolf (HD) **1.20** Street Hawk (HD) **2.25** Criminals: Caught on Camera (HD) **2.50–3.00am** Access: showbiz gossip (HD)

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9.00am Access **9.10** Criminals: Caught on Camera **9.35** On Benefits: Living Hand to Mouth **10.30** The Yorkshire Vet **1.30pm** The Yorkshire Vet 12 Days of Christmas for Help the Animals **2.30** The Yorkshire Vet **3.30** The Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies **4.35 FILM** The Texican ★★ Western with Audie Murphy **6.20 FILM** The African Queen ★★★★★ Classic First World War romantic adventure starring Humphrey Bogart. **Review page 71** **8.35** Elvis: Rise of the King **11.45** When Christmas Goes Horribly Wrong **2.40am** CSI: Miami **3.30–4.00am** Criminals: Caught on Camera: a gang goes on the rampage

CBS Justice 39

Freeview 39 Freesat 137 Sky 148 Virgin 192

9.00am Diagnosis Murder **11.00** Matlock **12 noon** Perry Mason **1.05pm** Walker, Texas Ranger **2.05** CSI: Miami **3.00** NCIS **5.00** Matlock **6.00pm** Perry Mason **7.05** NCIS **8.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **9.00** CSI: NY **10.00** NCIS **12 midnight** CSI: Miami **1.00am** CSI: NY **2.00** Gunsmoke **3.05** Bonanza: double bill **4.50–6.00am** Mission: Impossible

CBS Drama 71

Freeview 71 Freesat 134 Sky 147 Virgin 197

9.00am Medium **10.00** ER **11.00** The Love Boat **12 noon** Judge Judy **1.00pm** Bonanza **3.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **4.00** Unsolved Mysteries **6.00** The Love Boat **7.00** JAG **8.00** Judge Judy **9.00** Medium: Allison receives a message from a murdered woman **10.00** CSI: Miami **11.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **12 midnight** Judge Judy **1.00am** ER **2.00** Medium **3.00** CSI: Miami **4.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **5.00–6.00am** Unsolved Mysteries

Listings for **PBS America**, **Smithsonian** see over. **Film4** and other **Freeview movie** channels: **p166**

Yesterday 25

Freeview 25 Freesat 159 Sky 155 Virgin 129

6.00am WW2 Price of Empire (S) (HD) **8.00** The World at War (S) (HD) **11.00** Fleetwood Mac: Don't Stop (S) **12 noon** Meat Loaf: in and Out of Hell (S) (HD) **1.00pm** The Rolling Stones at the BBC (S) **2.00** Tom Jones at the BBC **3.00** Fleetwood Mac – Don't Stop (S) **4.00** Meat Loaf: in and Out of Hell (S) (HD) **5.00** The Rolling Stones at the BBC (S) **6.00** Tom Jones at the BBC **7.00** Underground Worlds (S) (HD) **8.00** Abandoned Engineering (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Bangers and Cash (S) (HD) **10.00** Train Truckers (S) (HD) **11.00** Steam Train Britain (S) (AD) (HD) **12 midnight** War Factories (S) (HD) **1.00–3.00am** World's Greatest Palaces: double bill (S) (AD) (HD)

Yesterday +1 Sky 255 Virgin 200

Really 17

Freeview 17 Freesat 160 Sky 142 Virgin 128

6.00am Homes under the Hammer (HD) **7.00** Home Shopping **8.00** Escape to the Country (HD) **6.00pm** Escape to the Country: in Shropshire (HD) **7.00** Antiques Road Trip: double bill. James Lewis and Anita Manning begin their trip in Wimbledon, and sell at auction in Cirencester, Gloucestershire (HD) **9.00** Helicopter ER: the team fights to save the life of a badly injured biker (HD) **10.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad (HD) **11.00** Ghost Adventures: Hauntings of Vicksburg (HD) **12 midnight** Unexplained: Caught on Camera: an investigation at a theatre goes awry (HD) **1.00am** Help! My House Is Haunted (HD) **2.00** Home Shopping **4.00–6.00am** Antiques Road Trip (HD)

Home 42

Freeview 42 Freesat 166 Sky 158 Virgin 279

7.00am Homes under the Hammer **6.00pm** Homes under the Hammer: six editions. Developers Lucy Alexander and Martin Roberts explore properties in North Yorkshire, Leybourne, Kent, and Cornwall **7.00** Properties in Kent, Cumbria and Wiltshire **8.00** Revisiting properties in Bristol, Burnley and Rhondda Cynon Taf **9.00** Developers Lucy Alexander and Martin Roberts investigate a property in Roborough, a gatehouse in Dover and a house in Telford **10.00** Properties in Kent, Fife and London **11.00** Properties in Cornwall, Kent and Northumberland **12 midnight–4.00am** Homes under the Hammer

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Quest 12

F'view 12 F'sat 172 Sky 144 Virgin 169 HD F'view 114 F'sat 167

6.00am Chasing Classic Cars: four back-to-back editions (HD) **8.00** Wheeler Dealers (HD) **6.00pm** Wheeler Dealers: double bill. Mike heads to Italy to grab a genuine junior supercar, then Mike Brewer and Edd China work on an Aston Martin DB7 (HD) **8.00** Salvage Hunters: Drew Pritchard finds a huge horse's head with a dealer specialising in sculptures (HD) **9.00** ***New.*** EFL: a round-up of goals and highlights from the English Football League (HD) **11.00** Texas Metal: a client from Houston wants his old '66 C-10 fused with the best of a '60s Impala. This ground-up build has a hand-built chassis, 6.2L engine, and a hydraulic bed (HD) **12 midnight** Wheeler Dealers (AD) (HD) **1.00am** Chasing Classic Cars (HD) **2.00** Wheels That Fail (HD) **3.00** Destroyed in Seconds **4.00** Swamp Loggers (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Overhaulin'

Quest +1 F'view 76 (7pm-4am) F'sat 168 Sky 244 Virgin 213

Challenge 46

Freeview 46 Freesat 146 Sky 151 Virgin 164

7.00am Wheel of Fortune **12 noon** The Chase **4.00pm** The Chase Celebrity Special: double bill. With Edwina Currie, Rachel Riley, Keith Duffy and Mark Charnock, then Jimmy Carr, Jack P Shepherd, Matt Dawson and Sally Bercow competing (AD) **6.00pm** Bullseye **9.00** The Chase **10.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? (AD) **12 midnight** Bullseye **4.30–6.00am** Winter Wipeout

Challenge +1 Freesat 147 Sky 251 Virgin 230

BBC Parliament 232

Freeview 232 Freesat 201 Sky 504 Virgin 605

6.00am Welsh FMQs **6.30** BOOKtalk **6.45** Reflections **7.15** Highlights **8.15** BOOKtalk **8.30** Reith Lectures **9.00** Highlights **10.00** BOOKtalk **10.15** Reflections **10.45** Highlights **11.15** Mayor's Questions **12.15pm** BOOKtalk **12.30** Properties **12.40** Reith Lectures **1.10** Highlights **2.10** BOOKtalk **2.25** Reflections **2.55** Highlights **3.55** BOOKtalk **4.10** Reith Lectures **4.40** European Parliament **5.40** Properties **5.50** Political Studies Awards **6.15** Reflections **6.45** BOOKtalk **7.00** Scottish FMQs **7.45** Bercow **8.15** Reith Lectures **8.45** Highlights **9.45** BOOKtalk **10.00** Properties **10.10** Reflections **10.40** Highlights **11.40** Booktalk **11.55** Reith Lectures **12.25–6.00am** Highlights

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Boxing Day



The Shawshank Redemption *9.00pm* Red meets Andy

Sky 1

Sky 106 **Virgin** 110 HD **Virgin** 109

6.00am Futurama (S) (AD) (HD) **6.30** Modern Family (S) (HD) **7.30** Moominvalley (HD) **8.00** Terry Pratchett's Hogfather (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** Football's Funniest Moments (S) (HD) **1.00pm** Celebrity Portrait Artist of the Year (S) (HD) **2.00** The Simpsons (S) (HD) **3.00** ***New.*** Soccer Special: news of today's games (HD) **5.00** The Simpsons (HD)

6.00pm The Simpsons Bart's antics get Principal Skinner fired. **6.30** Bart faces a dilemma. **7.00** Grandma Bouvier is swept off her feet by Grampa. **7.30** Homer teaches an adult education course. (HD)

8.00 Carpool Karaoke: Special With Celine Dion. (S) (HD)

9.00 The Shawshank Redemption ★★★★★ Drama with Tim Robbins and Morgan Freeman. **Review p85.** (W) (HD)

11.45 The Late Late Show with James Corden: Best of 2019 Highlights from the year. (HD)

12.45am A League of Their Own (S) (AD) (HD) **1.50** In the Long Run Christmas Special (HD) **2.20** The Reluctant Landlord (HD) **2.50** Cricket's Funniest Moments (S) (HD) **3.55** Harry Potter: a Who's Who of the Wizarding World (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Snake Boss (S) (HD)

Sky 1 +1 **Sky** 206



Britannia *9.00pm* Harka makes his point to Phelan

Sky Atlantic

Sky 108

6.00am Storm City (S) (AD) (HD) **6.55** The West Wing (S) (HD) **8.45 FILM** Jane Fonda in Five Acts ★★★★ Documentary (S) (W) (HD) **11.15** Harry Potter: a Who's Who of the Wizarding World (HD) **12.15pm** David Attenborough's Galapagos (S) (AD) (HD) **3.15** Making Attenborough's Galapagos (S) (HD) **4.15** What's My Name: Muhammad Ali: documentary chronicling the life of the boxer (S) (AD) (HD)

7.20pm Andre the Giant The life and career of the wrestler, from his upbringing in France to his WWF tenure and forays into the entertainment world. (S) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **Britannia** ***8/10*** RT *Series 2.* Aulus outrages Domitius when he makes a confession about whom he truly serves. Meanwhile, Andra discovers the truth abut her family's past. **See page 159.** (S) (HD)

10.00 Game of Thrones ***7/10*** *Series 6.* Jaime confronts a hero, and Olenna Tyrell plans to leave King's Landing. (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** ***8/10.*** Jaime weighs up his options. (S) (AD) (HD) **12.05am** The Sopranos (S) (HD) **2.25** Britannia (S) (HD) **3.25** Nurse Jackie (S) (HD) **4.00–6.00am** The West Wing: two episodes (S) (HD)

Sky Atlantic +1 **Sky** 208



Madam Secretary *10.00pm* Veterans call on Elizabeth

Sky Witness

Sky 107 **Virgin** 112 HD **Virgin** 111

6.00am Nothing to Declare (S) (AD) **8.00** Sun, Sea and A&E (S) (AD) **9.00** Nothing to Declare UK (S) (HD) **12 noon** Nothing to Declare (S) **2.00pm** UK Border Force (S) (HD)

6.00pm UK Border Force Officers carry out a mass deportation. (S) (HD)

7.00 Nothing to Declare Double bill following the work of customs officers in Australia. (S)

8.00 Criminal Minds ***7/22*** *Series 13.* A killer in Texas is targeting prominent members of the community. (S) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **FBI** ***22/22.*** A woman with information about Maggie's husband's death goes missing. (HD)

10.00 ***New.*** **Madam Secretary** ***4/10*** *Series 6.* Henry fights for a legislation to provide better mental-health care for veterans. (HD)

11.00 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit ***20/23*** *Series 13* Investigating a man preying on his biological daughters. (HD)

12 midnight CSI: Crime Scene Investigation: Grissom looks into a murder outside a casino (S) (HD) **1.00am** The Truth about the Harry Quebert Affair (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00** Sun, Sea and A&E (S) **3.00–6.00am** Nothing to Declare (S) (AD)

Sky Witness +1 **Sky** 207 **Virgin** 180



Kill Bill Vol 1 *10.00pm* Black Mamba swings into action

W

Sky 109 **Virgin** 125 **BT** 311 HD **Virgin** 211 **BT** 383

6.10am Flip or Flop (HD) **6.35** Doctor Who (S) (AD) (HD) **11.35** Dynamo: Magician Impossible (S) (AD) (HD) **12.35pm** Outnumbered (S) (AD) **1.30** Gangsta Granny (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00 FILM** Ella Enchanted ★★★ Comedy fantasy adventure (S) (W) (HD) **4.55** Tipping Point: Lucky Stars (HD) **5.55** Billionaire Boy (S) (HD)

7.15pm Outnumbered The family's Christmas is marred by burglars – and a missing hamster. (S) (AD) **8.05** Jane and her ex-convict boyfriend take up residence in the family's home. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Inside the Ambulance at Christmas Lee and Nicole help a baby who has suffered a seizure, while Ash and Toni treat a young man with breathing difficulties and an aversion to hospital. (S) (AD)

10.00 Kill Bill Vol 1 ★★★★ Martial arts drama starring Uma Thurman and directed by Quentin Tarantino. A deadly assassin known as "Black Mamba" swears revenge on the traitorous fellow killers who left her for dead on her wedding day. English, Japanese +subtitles. (S) (W) (HD)

12.20am Gavin & Stacey: double bill (S) (AD) (HD) **1.30–3.00am** Women on the Verge (S) (AD) (HD)

W +1 **Sky** 209 **Virgin** 190



The Cockfields *9.00pm* Simon and Donna take shelter

Gold

Sky 110 **Virgin** 124 **BT** 310

7.20am The Two Ronnies (S) **8.00** The Story of Only Fools and Horses (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Only Fools and Horses: 11 episodes (S) (AD)

6.20pm Only Fools and Horses Del enters the car trade. **7.00** Del gets his hands on a statue of a Hindu god – which plunges him into the middle of an age-old feud between rival families. **7.40** One of Del's old flames turns up out of the blue. **8.20** Del decides to enter the highly profitable tourist trade. (S) (AD)

9.00 The Cockfields Sitcom about an unconventional family on the Isle of Wight. **9.40** The family visits Aunty Rose in her nursing home. **10.20** Sunday finds preparations for Simon's 40th birthday in full swing. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.00 Murder on the Blackpool Express Feature-length comedy starring Griff Rhys Jones as a crime writer who takes fans on a coach tour of his books' locations – only to leave a string of bodies in their wake. (S) (AD) (HD)

1.00am David Jason: Planes, Trains and Automobiles (S) (AD) (HD) **2.50** Morgana Robinson's The Agency (S) (AD) (HD) **3.20–4.00am** House of Fools (S) (AD) (HD)

Gold +1 **Sky** 210 **Virgin** 194

Sky Arts

Sky 122 **Virgin** 123 HD **Virgin** 156

6.00am Royal Ballet: The Nutcracker (HD) **7.55** Rise of the Superheroes (S) (HD) **10.05** André Rieu: Christmas in London 2016 (S) (HD) **11.00** Discovering: Abba (S) (AD) **12 noon** Bee Gees: in Our Own Time (S) **1.20pm** Bee Gees: One Night Only (S) **3.30** Discovering: Roy Orbison (S) **4.00** Roy Orbison: Austin City Limits (HD)

5.10pm I Am Johnny Cash Insight from loved ones and classic concert footage come together to paint a picture of the larger-than-life country singer. (S) (HD)

7.00 I Am Steve McQueen The life and career of the American actor, with contributions by members of his family, ex-wives Neile Adams McQueen and Ali MacGraw and widow Barbara Minty McQueen. (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **I Am Patrick Swayze** A tribute to the American actor, known for his roles in hits like *Dirty Dancing* and *Ghost*. With contributions by Demi Moore and Rob Lowe among others. (HD)

11.00 I Am Bruce Lee The life and career of the actor and martial artist widely known for his work in *Enter the Dragon* and *Fist of Fury*, offering a perspective on his rise to fame. (HD)

1.00am Elvis '56 Special (S) (AD) **2.15** Queen – Live at Wembley (S) **3.30** Pink Floyd: the Story of Wish You Were Here (S) (HD) **4.45–6.00am FILM** Imagine ★★★★ Music documentary (S) (W) (HD)

Sky Crime

Sky 121 **Virgin** 136 HD **Virgin** 135

6.00am Motorway Patrol (S) (AD) **7.00** Customs UK (AD) **8.00** Motorbike Cops **9.00** Stop, Search, Seize (S) (AD) **12 noon** Killer Colleagues **3.00pm** Snapped (S)

6.00pm Snapped An argument between a couple ends in murder, but police are unsure if it was an act of self-defence or something more sinister. (S)

7.00 Banged Up Abroad The story of Australian Stephen Sutton, who believed a $15,000 deal to smuggle cocaine out of Argentina would pay off. (S)

8.00 Murders That Shocked the Nation The crimes of murderer Donald Neilson. (S) (AD)

9.00 ***New.*** **In Ice Cold Blood** When an officer goes missing, investigators soon discover that jealous fury has a big part to play in why.

10.00 Britain's Most Evil Killers The story of Mick Philpott, who murdered six children when he set his own home on fire. (S) **11.00** A chilling investigation of Vincent Tabak, the man responsible for the cold-blooded murder of Joanna Yeates in Bristol in December 2010. (S)

12 midnight Britain's Most Evil Killers (S) **1.00am** Capturing the Friedmans (S) **3.00** Murders That Shocked the Nation (S) (AD) **4.00** Street Crime **4.30** Police Ten 7 (S) **5.00–6.00am** Snapped (S)

Sky Crime +1 **Sky** 221 **Virgin** 207

Sky 2

Sky 168 **Virgin** 160

7.00am The Dog Whisperer **10.00** My Kitchen Rules: Australia (S) **12.30pm** Monkey Life (S) (AD) **1.00** Supergirl (S) **5.00** Ratburger (S) (AD) **6.30pm** The Queen and I (S) (AD) **8.00** Cinderella: After Ever After **9.00** A League of Their Own's Christmas Holiday: Jamie, Andrew and Romesh face a series of Austrian challenges **10.00** A League of Their Own Christmas Party: the regulars team up with a host of stars for a charity cricket match, with AP McCoy, Jimmy Anderson, Steve Harmison and David Seaman **11.00** A League of Their Own **1.00am** The Russell Howard Christmas Hour **2.00** Madam Secretary **3.00** A League of Their Own (S) (AD) **4.00–6.00am** Monkey Life (S) (AD)

Universal TV

Sky 113 **Virgin** 122 **BT** 320 HD **Virgin** 121 **BT** 385

8.00am NCIS (S) (HD) **6.00pm** NCIS: triple bill. A supposedly dead marine comes back to life on the autopsy table **7.00** McGee is shocked to discover that a double murder appears to have been inspired by his latest novel **8.00** Jenny Shepard investigates when an informant is murdered (S) (HD) **9.00 FILM** Little Man ★ Comedy starring Marlon and Shawn Wayans (W) (HD) **11.10** CSI: Miami: an 18-year-old is killed at a nightclub (S) (HD) **12.05am** CSI: Miami (S) (HD) **2.00** Rescue: Code One: double bill (S) (HD) **3.00** Sea Patrol (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00–5.00** Numb3rs (S) (AD) (HD)

Universal TV +1 **Sky** 213 **Virgin** 206

Syfy

Sky 114 **Virgin** 138 **BT** 319 HD **Virgin** 137 **BT** 375

6.00am Marvel's Runaways **8.00** Home Shopping **11.00 FILM** Highlander III: the Sorcerer ★ **1.00pm FILM** Kull the Conqueror ★★ Fantasy **2.50 FILM** Flash Gordon ★★★ Sci-fi **5.00 FILM** Land of the Lost ★★ Sci-fi comedy adventure starring Will Ferrell **7.00 FILM** Ghost Town ★★ Supernatural romantic comedy starring Ricky Gervais **9.00** Blood and Treasure **10.00 FILM** The Running Man ★★★ Sci-fi action thriller with Arnold Schwarzenegger **12.10am** Blood and Treasure **1.00 FILM** Final Recall ★★ Sci-fi horror **3.30** Fact or Faked **4.10–6.00am FILM** Global Meltdown ★★ Sci-fi thriller

Syfy +1 **Sky** 214 **Virgin** 229

TLC

Sky 133 **Virgin** 167 **BT** 323 HD **BT** 377

6.00am Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **8.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress: Randy Knows Best (HD) **11.00** Say Yes to the Dress: the Big Day (HD) **12 noon** Say Yes to the Dress: Lancashire (HD) **8.00pm** The 12 Pops of Christmas (HD) **9.25** Dr Pimple Popper: Will is worried his shoulder lump will be ripped open at work (HD) **10.00** Untold Stories of the ER (HD) **11.00** Dr Pimple Popper (HD) **12 midnight** The 12 Pops of Christmas (HD) **1.25am** Dr Pimple Popper (HD) **2.00** Untold Stories of the ER (HD) **3.00** Dr Pimple Popper (HD) **4.00–6.00am** Say Yes to the Dress: Lancashire (HD)

TLC +1 **Sky** 233 **Virgin** 172

Comedy Central

Sky 112 **Virgin** 132 **BT** 307 HD **Virgin** 181 **BT** 370

8.00am Most Ridiculous: Kids (S) (HD) **8.35** Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **10.30 FILM** Beethoven ★★★★ **12.30pm** Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00 FILM** The Addams Family ★★★★ Comedy horror based on the classic TV series, starring Anjelica Huston and Raul Julia (S) (HD) **5.00** Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Lee Evans: Roadrunner: a performance from the energetic comedian's 2011 tour (S) (HD) **10.00 FILM** Wayne's World ★★★★ Comedy starring Mike Myers and Dana Carvey (S) (HD) **12 midnight** South Park (S) **4.15am** Most Ridiculous: Jobs (S) (HD) **4.35–5.00am** Most Ridiculous: Bad Asses: clips featuring criminals (S) (HD)

Comedy Central +1 **Sky** 212 **Virgin** 133

Lifetime

Sky 187 **Virgin** 208 **BT** 329 HD **BT** 384

7.00am Judge Judy (HD) **12 noon** Little Women: Atlanta (HD) **4.00pm** Dance Moms: double bill (HD) **6.00pm** Dance Moms: Hannah feels the pressure when Abby gives her the lead in the group dance (HD) **7.00** Judge Judy (HD) **9.00 FILM** The Simone Biles Story: Courage to Soar ★★★ Biopic starring Jeanté Godlock (W) (HD) **10.45** The Joy of Sex Toys: double bill. Lovehoney bosses realise celebrity endorsements are the way to sell lingerie, then Heather and her team prepare to launch a new lingerie range (HD) **12.45am** Storage Wars (HD) **1.40** Hardcore Pawn (HD) **2.35** Judge Judy (HD) **3.00–4.00am** Kiss, Bang, Love (HD)





Inspector George Gently
8.40pm An informant is killed

Alibi

Sky 132 **Virgin** 126 **BT** 312 **HD** **Virgin** 212 **BT** 382

7.10am Murdoch Mysteries (S) (HD) **9.00** Miss Marple (S) (AD) **1.00pm** Father Brown (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Death in Paradise (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm Death in Paradise *4/8 Series 5.* Dwayne receives a text message from the grave after an old friend's funeral, and he and Humphrey soon find enough evidence to rule out his death from natural causes. (S) (AD) (HD) **7.20** *5/8.* Humphrey's Aunt Mary arrives for a visit, only to get caught up in an investigation after becoming the only witness to a hotel guest's death. (S) (AD) (HD)

8.40 Inspector George Gently *2/2 Series 4.* The detective looks into the suspicious death of an old friend. The investigation leads him to the local police station, where it becomes clear the officers are hiding something – and to complicate matters, the disappearance of a teenage boy is also linked to the case. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.40 Jonathan Creek The death of a retired illusionist has Maddy and Jonathan clutching at straws as they endeavour to find an explanation. (S) (AD)

12.40am Death in Paradise (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00–4.00am** New Tricks: two episodes (S) (AD) (HD)

Alibi +1 **Sky** 232 **Virgin** 191

Discovery History

Sky 171 **Virgin** 257

6.00am Hidden History of Rome **7.00** Lost Children of Roman Ashkelon **8.00** Blowing Up History (AD) **9.00** Rome: Power and Glory **3.00pm** Blowing Up History (AD) **4.00** Hidden History of Rome

5.00pm Rome: Power and Glory The origins of the Roman Empire. **6.00** The Roman Empire at its height, when its borders stretched from Scotland to the Sahara. **7.00** The history of Roman politics.

8.00 Unsolved History Investigating whether the Roman Colosseum was ever flooded.

9.00 Lost Children of Roman Ashkelon Exploring the possibility that child murder was common in the ancient world.

10.00 Hidden History of Rome Terry Jones unravels the mysteries of the Roman Empire, bringing the ancient world to life.

11.00 Rome: Power and Glory How the Romans controlled their vast empire through an alliance of slaves and peasants. **12 midnight** The different aspects of the ordered nature of Roman culture reflected in the empire. **1.00am** The decline of the Roman Empire, from the reign of Diocletian to the sacking of Rome. **2.00** Unsolved History **3.00** Lost Children of Roman Ashkelon **4.00** Hidden History of Rome **5.00–6.00am** Rome: Power and Glory

Discovery History +1 **Sky** 271 **Virgin** 261



American Dad! *10.00pm* Stan tries to revisit his childhood

Fox

Sky 124 **Virgin** 157 **HD** **Virgin** 199

8.00am Bull (HD) **9.00** Bones (HD) **10.00** Bull (HD) **11.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** Bones: double bill (HD) **2.00pm** The Mentalist (HD) **3.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Bull (HD) **5.00** Bones (HD)

6.00pm The Mentalist *1/22 Series 5.* The members of the CBI team investigate the murder of a hotel employee. (HD)

7.00 NCIS *10/24 Series 13* The secretary of the US navy wants to help to save the life of a sailor with leukaemia. (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** *11/24.* Ducky is assaulted by a mysterious assailant who claims to have information about his long-dead half-brother. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Family Guy *Series 6* Double-length episode. Peter tells a story spoofing *Star Wars*.

10.00 American Dad! *Series 6* Stan's pranks land him in jail. **10.30** Hayley goes to a concert against Stan's orders. **11.00** *Series 14.* A serial killer crashes Francine's dinner party. **11.30** Stan tells the trainees at the academy his boring stories. (HD)

12 midnight Family Guy **1.00am** American Dad! (HD) **2.00** Family Guy **3.00** Science of Stupid (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Bull (HD)

Fox +1 **Sky** 224 **Virgin** 158

History

Sky 130 **Virgin** 270 **BT** 327 **HD** **BT** 379

6.00am Storage Wars (HD) **2.00pm** The Plot Against America: Enemy "sleepers" strategically placed throughout America (HD) **4.00** Forged in Fire (HD) **6.00pm** Forged in Fire: five back-to-back editions. Two contenders build a savage Barbarian sword **7.00** Bladesmiths recreate the exotic Javanese Kris **8.00** Bladesmiths battle it out to recreate the legendary Greek Kopis in the hopes of becoming the next Forged in Fire champion **9.00** Two smiths fashion dangerous medieval weapon, the Falchion **10.00** A task to re-create a Grim Reaper's scythe (HD) **11.00** The Strongest Man in History: the guys attempt the American Revolution's shows of strength **12 midnight** Columbus: the Lost Voyage (HD) **2.00–6.00am** Forged in Fire (HD)

History +1 **Sky** 230 **Virgin** 271

Animal Planet

Sky 162 **Virgin** 251 **BT** 325 **HD** **BT** 378

6.00am Homestead Rescue (HD) **5.00pm** The Zoo: San Diego (HD) **6.00** Bondi Vet: Dr Chris Brown attempts a complex surgery on a staffy (S) (HD) **7.00** Animal Cops Houston: Stephen Goldman discovers bulldogs living in poor conditions (S) (AD) **8.00** Nature's Strangest Mysteries: Solved (HD) **9.00** Homestead Rescue: the Raneys help homesteaders living at the bottom of a 100ft cliff (HD) **10.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (HD) **11.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (S) (HD) **1.00am** Animal Cops Houston (S) (HD) **2.00** Crikey! It's the Irwins (HD) **3.00** Homestead Rescue (HD) **3.50** Jeremy Wade's Dark Waters (S) (HD) **4.40** Meet the Sloths (S) (HD) **5.10–6.00am** The Zoo (S) (HD)

Animal Planet +1 **Sky** 262 **Virgin** 259



Unexplained and Unexplored
9.00pm A mystery for Justin

Discovery

Sky 125 **Virgin** 250 **BT** 322 **HD** **BT** 376

6.00am Gold Rush: White Water: 12 back-to-back editions (S) (HD)

6.00pm Fast 'n' Loud Engine and upholstery problems threaten to derail the red '67 Cadillac convertible project. (S) (HD)

7.00 Outback Truckers Sludge takes on strange loads and new roads in New Zealand. (S) (HD)

8.00 Combat Dealers Bruce blows up a van with Second World War rifle grenades. (S) (HD)

9.00 *New.* Unexplained and Unexplored Explorers Justin Fornal and Emiliano Ruprah try to unravel the mystery of the Mayan empire's fate. (HD)

10.00 Walking the Himalayas Levison Wood treks through 30 miles of jungle in east Nepal. (HD)

11.00 *New.* Andrew Mayne: Ghost Diver The illusionist and inventor attempts to create a shark suit to overcome a great white's senses and make him invisible to them. (HD)

12 midnight Unexplained and Unexplored (HD) **1.00am** Walking the Himalayas (HD) **2.00** Deadliest Catch (S) (HD) **3.00** Unexplained and Unexplored (HD) **3.50** Fast 'n' Loud (S) (HD) **5.30–6.00am** How It's Made: diving masks (S) (HD)

Discovery +1 **Sky** 225 **Virgin** 258

Nat Geographic

Sky 129 **Virgin** 266 **BT** 317 **HD** **Virgin** 268 **BT** 373

8.00am Nazi Megastructures (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** WWII's Greatest Raids (HD) **10.00** WW2: Hell under the Sea (HD) **11.00** War Heroes of the Skies (HD) **12 noon** Air Crash Investigation (HD) **2.00pm** Supercar Megabuild (HD) **3.00** Car SOS (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00** Lost Worlds of the Med: Draining the Ocean (HD) **6.00** Europe from Above (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Gordon Ramsay: Uncharted (AD) (HD) **8.00 *New.*** Buried Gold: Treasure Hoard (HD) **9.00 *New.*** Black Pharaohs: Sunken Treasures (HD) **10.00** Lost Cities with Albert Lin (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Witness to Disaster (HD) **12 midnight** Seconds from Disaster (HD) **1.00am** Banged Up Abroad (HD) **2.00** Air Crash Investigation (HD) **3.00** Lost Worlds of the Med: Draining the Ocean (HD) **4.00–5.00am** The World's Biggest Battleship: Draining the Ocean (HD)

Nat Geo +1 **Sky** 229 **Virgin** 267

Eden

Sky 166 **Virgin** 245 **BT** 315 **HD** **Virgin** 247 **BT** 389

9.00am Planet Earth II (AD) (HD) **6.00pm** Planet Earth II: six editions. Animals that live in deserts, including swarms of locusts, desert lions hunting giraffes, sand grouse flying to gather water **7.00** Wildlife that inhabit the world's grasslands **8.00** Footage of wild animals that live in cities, including leopards in Mumbai, macaques in Jaipur, peregrine falcons in New York and langurs in Jodhpur **9.00** The wildlife of remote islands **10.00** Animals that live in mountain ranges **11.00** Animals that live in jungles, including creatures that glow in the dark which have never been captured on film before (AD) (HD) **12 midnight** Planet Earth II (AD) (HD) **5.30–6.00am** Jungle Planet (HD)

Eden +1 **Sky** 266 **Virgin** 246



The Secrets of the Mary Rose
9.55pm The 16th-century ship

PBS America 91

F'view 91 (1-11pm only) **F'sat** 155 **Sky** 174 **Virgin** 273

8.00am The Aviators **8.35** The Lost Tribes of Humanity **9.40** The Lost Civilisation of Peru **10.50** The Search for Alfred the Great **11.55** The Mysteries of the Medieval Ship **1.00pm** Britain's Lost Colosseum **2.10** The Mystery of the Black Death **3.15** The Secrets of the Mary Rose **4.20** The Lost Tribes of Humanity **5.30** The Lost Civilisation of Peru

6.35pm The Search for Alfred the Great Neil Oliver follows the work of a team of historians and scientists trying to discover the final resting place of the remains of 9th-century English king Alfred the Great.

7.45 The Mysteries of the Medieval Ship The discovery of a medieval merchant ship in Newport.

8.55 The Mystery of the Black Death Investigation into the causes of the lethal disease.

9.55 The Secrets of the Mary Rose The story of Henry VIII's favourite warship.

11.00 Britain's Lost Colosseum The history of Chester's Roman amphitheatre, which some experts have claimed was the largest in Britain.

12.15am Colosseum: Rome's Arena of Death **1.25–2.00am** The Aviators

PBS +1 **Freeview** 93 (HD only)

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F'view (HD only) 99 **F'sat** 175 **Sky** 195 **Virgin** 276

6.00am Air Warriors (HD) **6.00pm** Air Warriors (HD) **7.00** Inside the Christmas Factory: Christmas Cakes: the history behind the nation's favourite festive treats **8.00** Inside the Factory: Gregg Wallace and the team investigates pasta **9.00** Air Warriors: the Battle of Britain fighter that will forever be remembered by a grateful nation. The Spitfire is still regarded as one of the best planes ever built (HD) **10.00** Memphis Belle in Colour: the story of one of the most famous aircraft in history (HD) **11.00** Battle of Midway: the True Story: how the battle made victory in the Pacific possible (HD) **12 midnight** Air Warriors (HD) **1.00am** Memphis Belle in Colour (HD) **2.00** Battle of Midway: the True Story (HD) **3.00** Air Warriors (HD) **4.00** Memphis Belle in Colour (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Air Warriors (HD)

Sony Crime

Freesat 143 **Sky** 179 **Virgin** 193

6.00am Speeders: double bill **7.00** Bait Car: LA **8.30** Bait Car: Atlanta **9.00** Speeders **11.00** Bait Car: LA **12.30pm** Bait Car: Atlanta **1.00** Speeders **6.00pm** Speeders: six editions. A debt collector is caught speeding in a car he just repossessed **6.30** A driver with impressive air guitar skills **7.00** A biker tries to outrun police officers, and a driver is caught making an illegal turn **7.30** The officers come across a student with dubious maths skills, and an Altadena driver is caught speeding to a casino **8.00** as 6pm **8.30** as 6.30pm **9.00** Bait Car: LA **10.30** Bait Car: Atlanta **11.00** Speeders: double bill **12 midnight** Bait Car: New Orleans **1.00am** Speeders **3.00** Bait Car: Atlanta **4.00** Speeders **5.00–6.00am** Bait Car: New Orleans: double bill

CHILDREN'S

Milkshake! on C5

Full listings for Channel 5 are on p162

6.00am Mofy **6.05** Peppa Pig Christmas Special **6.15** Peppa Pig **6.20** Wissper **6.35** Ben and Holly: Holly watches the elves make toys for Christmas **6.45** Fireman Sam: double bill **7.05** Thomas & Friends: double bill **7.35** Shane the Chef: Munchington lies under a blanket of snow **7.45** Peppa Pig **8.10** Paw Patrol: double bill **8.40** Floogals: the hoomans rub a strange cream into their skin **9.00** Shimmer and Shine **9.05–9.30am** Peppa Pig

CBeebies 202

Freeview 202 **Freesat** 608 **Sky** 614 **Virgin** 702

6.00am Something Special: We're All Friends **6.20** Baby Jake **6.35** Twirlywoos **6.45** Raa Raa the Noisy Lion **6.55** Numberblocks **7.05** Bing: double bill **7.20** Hey Duggee: double bill **7.35** Bitz & Bob **7.45** Peter Rabbit **8.00** Go Jetters **8.10** Octonauts **8.20** Biggleton **8.35** Justin's House **9.00** CBeebies The Snow Queen **9.45** Something Special: We're All Friends **10.05** Teletubbies **10.20** The Baby Club **10.35** Hey Duggee **10.45** Mister Maker's Arty Party **11.00** Pablo **11.15** My Pet and Me: Winter Special **11.30** School of Roars **11.35** My First **11.50** Tinga Tinga Tales **12 noon** My World Kitchen **12.15pm** Old Jack's Boat: Rockpool Tales **12.25** Olobob Top **12.30** Katie Morag **12.45** Melody **1.00** Biggleton **1.10** Timmy Time **1.15** Yakka Dee! **1.20** Numberblocks **1.25** Bing **1.35** Twirlywoos **1.45** Something Special: We're All Friends **2.10** Teletubbies **2.20** The Baby Club **2.35** Pablo **2.50** Our Family **3.00** Andy's Prehistoric Adventures **3.15** Swashbuckle **3.40** Hey Duggee **3.45** Tinpo **3.55** Messy Goes to OKIDO; My Petsaurus **4.10** My First **4.25** Woolly & Tig: The Play **4.35** Peter Rabbit **4.50** Go Jetters **5.00** Octonauts: Great Arctic Adventure **5.25** My First Festival: Hanukkah **5.40** Bing: a three-year-old bunny engages with the world around him **5.45** Moon and Me **6.10** Clangers **6.20** In the Night Garden… **6.50–7.00pm** CBeebies Bedtime Stories: a tale is read for younger viewers before they go to bed

CBBC 201

Freeview 201 **Freesat** 607 **Sky** 613 **Virgin** 701

7.00am Arthur **7.15** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **7.25** Danger Mouse **7.35** Shaun the Sheep **7.45** Odd Squad **8.00** Diddy TV **8.15 FILM** The Madagascar Penguins in a Christmas Caper **8.30 FILM** Kung Fu Panda 3 ★★★ **9.50** 4 o'Clock Club **10.25** Our School **11.05** All at Sea **11.35** Millie Inbetween: Christmas Special **12.05pm** Class Dismissed: Christmas Special **12.25** 4 o'Clock Club **12.55** My Life: the Penguin Post Office **1.25** The Next Step **2.15** Odd Squad **2.40** Danger Mouse **3.00** Dragons: Gift of the Night Fury **3.20** Scream Street **3.45** FOMO Festive Replay **4.00** Show Me What You're Made Of: UK **4.30** So Awkward **5.00** Top Class **5.30 *New.*** Blue Peter: All About the Orange Badge **6.05 FILM** Kung Fu Panda 3 ★★★ **7.25** Secret Life of Boys: Farther Christmas **8.20** Horrible Histories: Horrible Christmas **8.50–9.00pm** Donkey's Caroling Christmas-tacular

CITV 203

Freeview 203 **Freesat** 602 **Sky** 621 **Virgin** 734

6.00am Dino Dana **6.25** Super 4 **6.55** Dare Master **7.00** The Powerpuff Girls **7.20** Teen Titans Go! **7.50** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **8.50** Mr Magoo **9.10** Mr Magoo **9.55** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **10.55** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **11.50** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **12.30pm** Dare Master **12.35** Mr Magoo **1.35** Hotel Transylvania **2.30** Kung Fu Panda: the Paws of Destiny: Jindiao comes to the village and challenges the students to a duel **3.00** Mr Magoo **4.00** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **5.00** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **5.25** Be Cool, Scooby-Doo! **6.15pm** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **6.35** Mr Magoo **7.35** Hotel Transylvania **8.05** Spy School **8.55–9.00pm** Dare Master

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P Avengers: Endgame ★★★★
10.45am/8.00pm ***Sky Premiere***

After a truly crushing defeat in 2018's *Infinity War*, Marvel's cast of superheroes comes together again with a new plan to resurrect their friends and defeat Thanos (Josh Brolin). Chris Evans's Cap and Robert Downey Jr's Tony Stark particularly shine in the twisting, complex story, which finds moments of real pathos among the huge battle scenes and quips. It may be a little long, but it's hard to begrudge the Marvel Cinematic Universe getting a little self-indulgent in what largely amounts to a three-hour victory lap. **HUW FULLERTON**



Arty yet accessible

Roma ★★★★ ***Netflix***

Director Alfonso Cuarón (*Gravity*) triumphed at this year's Bafta's with this semi-autobiographical tale, which won four awards including best film and best director. Set in the comfortable upper-middle class Mexico City neighbourhood of Roma during the 1970s, the film centres on a marriage slowly splintering apart and the live-in maid (played by non-professional actor Yalitza Aparicio) who stands at the swirling heart of the family. Shot in arty black-and-white, this is Cuarón's love story to his youth. **KAREN KRIZANOVICH**

Suspense on Sky



If you ask any Hitchcock fan which are their favourite films from the Master of Suspense, surely the four showing on Sky Thriller today (*Marnie*, *The Birds*, *Vertigo*, *Rear Window*) would be in the list. Add to that three of the best from David Fincher (*Panic Room*, *Se7en* and *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo*), and those nightmare queues and burnt turkey will be safely forgotten. **SUE ROBINSON**

FREEVIEW

Film4 14

F'view 14 **F'sat** 300 **Sky** 313 **Virgin** 428 **HD** **Virgin** 429

11.00am Stuart Little 2 ★★★ Amusing adventure. Geena Davis, Hugh Laurie (2002, U) (S) (AD)
12.35pm Puss in Boots ★★★★ Colourful and inventive animated comedy adventure. Antonio Banderas, Salma Hayek, Zach Galifianakis (2011, U) (S)
2.20 A Dog's Purpose ★★ Family adventure. Britt Robertson, Dennis Quaid, Josh Gad (2017, PG) (S)
4.20pm Night at the Museum ★★★ Entertaining comedy. Ben Stiller (2006, PG) (AD)
6.35 Cowboys & Aliens ★★★★ Exuberant sci-fi western adventure. Daniel Craig, Harrison Ford, Olivia Wilde (2011, 12) (S) (AD)
9.00 Valerian and the City of a Thousand Planets ★★★★ Director Luc Besson's space oddity is an engagingly daffy, visually astonishing, epic spectacle. Dane DeHaan, Cara Delevingne (2017, 12) (S)
11.40pm Lucy ★★★ Exciting action movie in which Scarlett Johansson undergoes an evolutionary leap after ingesting experimental drugs. **Review, p85.** Morgan Freeman (2014, 15) (S) (AD)
1.25–3.25am The Fly ★★★★ Stylish and grisly remake of the 1958 cult horror. Jeff Goldblum, Geena Davis, John Getz, Joy Boushel (1986, 18) (S)

Film4 +1 **F'view** 45 **F'sat** 301 **Sky** 314 **Virgin** 430

Sony Movies 32

Freeview 32 **Freesat** 302 **Sky** 321 **Virgin** 425

9.00am A Monster Christmas **10.00 Vice Versa** ★★★ Comedy. Judge Reinhold (1988, PG)
12.05pm *batteries not included ★★★ Sci-fi fantasy. Hume Cronyn, Jessica Tandy (1987, PG)
2.15 Groundhog Day ★★★★★ Romantic comedy fantasy. Bill Murray (1993, PG) **4.20 Matilda** ★★★★ Comedy fantasy. Mara Wilson (1996, PG)
6.25pm Stepmom ★★★★ Touching tale of life after divorce, with strong performances from Julia Roberts and Susan Sarandon. (1998, 12)
9.00 Pretty Woman ★★★★ A businessman falls for a call girl in this winning romantic comedy. Richard Gere, Julia Roberts (1990, 15)
11.25 Get Shorty ★★★★ Crime comedy. John Travolta, Gene Hackman, Rene Russo, Danny DeVito (1995, 15)
1.35am Drive ★★★★ Crime thriller. Ryan Gosling (2011, 18) **3.40–6.00am A Miracle on Christmas Lake** ★★ Fantasy. Kristian Jackson (2016)

Sony Movies +1 **F'view** 60 (*limited* 10pm-5am) **Sky** 322

Sony Action 40

F'view 40 *(limited)* **F'sat** 305 **Sky** 323 **Virgin** 426

6.00am Long John Silver ★★ Adventure. Robert Newton (1954, U) **7.50 Strongroom** ★ Crime drama. Derren Nesbitt (1961, PG) **9.30 Bomb at 10:10** ★★ Adventure. George Montgomery (1967) **11.15 Desert Legion** ★★ Adventure. Alan Ladd (1953, U)
1.00pm Storm over the Nile ★★ Adventure. Laurence Harvey (1955, U) **3.15** El Dorado: mini-series
7.15pm The Philadelphia Experiment ★★ Sci-fi action. Nicholas Lea, Malcolm McDowell (2012, 12)
9.00 P The Marine 6: Close Quarters ★★ Violent drama. Mike "The Miz" Mizanin (2018, 15)
10.50 Mercenary ★★ Serviceable action thriller. Olivier Gruner, John Ritter (1997, 18)
12.55am The Shooter ★★ Thriller. Dolph Lundgren (1994, 18) **3.00–4.00am** Allied Armour

Sony Action +1 **Sky** 324

Talking Pictures TV 81

Freeview 81 **Freesat** 306 **Sky** 328 **Virgin** 445

6.00am Once a Sinner ★★ Drama. (1950, PG) (S)
7.35 The Story of Shirley Yorke ★★★ Crime drama. (1948, PG) (S) **9.25 Unearthly Stranger** ★★★ Thriller. John Neville (1963, PG) (S)
11.00 June Allyson **11.30 The Flying Deuces** ★★ Comedy. (1939, U) (S) **12.50pm A Little of What You Fancy** ★★★ Documentary. Barry Cryer (1968, U) (S) **2.00** Rooms **2.30 Hobson's Choice** ★★★★ Comedy. Charles Laughton, John Mills (1953, U) (S) **4.40 I'm All Right Jack** ★★★★★ Satirical comedy. Ian Carmichael, Peter Sellers (1959, U)
6.50pm The Magic Box ★★★★ Charming period biopic. **Review, p83.** Robert Donat (1951, U) (S)
9.00 The Human Jungle British TV drama.
10.00 Jack the Ripper Victorian thriller.
12 midnight The Big Job ★★★ Comedy. Sidney James (1965, U) **1.45am Age of Consent** ★★★ Romantic drama. James Mason, Helen Mirren (1969, 12) **4.00–5.45am Your Money or Your Wife** ★ Comedy. Donald Sinden (1960, PG) (S)

Premiere

Sky 301 **Virgin** 401 **BT** 501

6.35am As 3.45pm **8.30** As 5.45pm **10.45 P Avengers: Endgame** As 8pm **1.45pm Little** ★★ Fantasy comedy. Regina Hall, Issa Rae (2019, 12) **3.45 The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part** ★★★★ Animated action adventure. **Choice, p138.** Chris Pratt, Elizabeth Banks (2019, U)

5.45pm Mary Poppins Returns ★★★ Emily Blunt is pitch perfect as the magical nanny in this fun sequel. **Choice, p156.** Emily Blunt, Lin-Manuel Miranda, Ben Whishaw (2018, U)
8.00 P Avengers: Endgame ★★★★ End-of-an-era action epic. **Choice, left.** Robert Downey Jr, Chris Hemsworth, Mark Ruffalo, Chris Evans (2019, 12)
11.00 Bumblebee ★★★ Fun-filled *Transformers* spin-off. Hailee Steinfeld, John Cena, Dylan O'Brien (2018, PG)

1.00am Mary Queen of Scots ★★★ Historical drama. **Choice, p118.** Saoirse Ronan, Margot Robbie, Jack Lowden (2018, 15) **3.20 Little** As 1.45pm **5.30** Hotel Mumbai Special

Premiere +1 **Sky** 312 **Virgin** 412

Hits

Sky 303 **Virgin** 403 **BT** 503

6.10am Black Panther ★★★★ (2018, 12) **8.25** Harry Potter List Show **9.25 The Lego Movie** ★★★★ (2014, U) **11.10 The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part** ★★★★ Adventure. **Choice, p138.** (2019, U) **1.00pm Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse** ★★★★ Adventure. **Choice, p118.** (2018, PG)

3.00pm Avengers: Age of Ultron ★★★★ Explosive action adventure. Robert Downey Jr (2015, 12)
5.30 Avengers: Infinity War ★★★★ Epic-scale action extravaganza. Robert Downey Jr (2018, 12)
8.00 Extremely Wicked, Shockingly Evil and Vile ★★ Crime drama. Zac Efron, Lily Collins (2019, 15)
10.00 Deadpool 2 ★★★★ Satisfying fantasy sequel. Ryan Reynolds, Josh Brolin, Morena Baccarin (2018, 15)

12 midnight Thor ★★★ Fantasy adventure. Chris Hemsworth, Natalie Portman, Anthony Hopkins (2011, 12) **2.00am Thor: the Dark World** ★★★★ Action adventure. Chris Hemsworth, Natalie Portman, Tom Hiddleston (2013, 12) **4.00** As 11.10am

Action

Sky 307 **Virgin** 407 **BT** 507

6.00am The Mask of Zorro ★★★★ Adventure. Antonio Banderas (1998, PG) **8.20 Transformers** ★★★★ Sci-fi adventure. Shia LaBeouf (2007, 12) **10.45 Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom** As 8pm **12.55pm** As 10.15pm **1.10 The Meg** As 10.30pm **3.10 Saving Private Ryan** As 12.30am

6.00pm Top Gun ★★★ Tom Cruise feels the need for speed in this entertaining action drama. Kelly McGillis, Val Kilmer (1986, 15)
8.00 Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom ★★★ Well-made dino-adventure. Chris Pratt (2018, 12)
10.15 Jurassic World: Battle at Big Rock Spin-off short film.
10.30 The Meg ★★★ Jason Statham takes on a giant prehistoric shark. Li Bingbing (2018, 12)

12.30am Saving Private Ryan Oscar-winning Second World War drama from Steven Spielberg. Tom Hanks, Tom Sizemore, Matt Damon (1998, 15) **3.30 The Mask of Zorro** As 6am

Star Wars

Sky 302 **Virgin** 402 **BT** 502

7.35am The Clone Wars ★★ Animated sci-fi adventure. Matt Lanter (2008, PG) **9.20 Episode III: Revenge of the Sith** ★★★ Sci-fi adventure. Ewan McGregor (2005, 12) **11.45** As 9pm
2.05pm Episode IV: a New Hope ★★★★★ Classic sci-fi adventure. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher (1977, U)

4.15pm Episode V: the Empire Strikes Back ★★★★★ Superb space adventure sequel. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher (1980, U)
6.30 Episode VI: Return of the Jedi ★★★★ Luke Skywalker finally faces up to his destiny. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher (1983, U)
9.00 Solo ★★★★ Fun and exciting origins adventure for the space buccaneer. Alden Ehrenreich, Donald Glover, Emilia Clarke (2018, 12)

11.30pm Episode I: the Phantom Menace ★★★ The Skywalker legend is born. Liam Neeson (1999, U)
1.50am Episode II: Attack of the Clones ★★★ Sci-fi adventure. Ewan McGregor (2002, PG) **4.15** As 7.35am

Christmas

Sky 304 **Virgin** 410 **BT** 510

6.00am As 11.50pm **7.40** As 4.15pm **9.35** As 6pm **11.15** Elf: Buddy's Musical Christmas **12.30pm** As 8pm **2.30 The Nutcracker and the Four Realms** As 10pm **4.15 The Family Stone** ★★★ Romantic comedy drama. Sarah Jessica Parker, Diane Keaton, Dermot Mulroney (2005, PG)

6.00pm The Star ★★ Cute animated comedy spin on the Nativity story. Steven Yeun (2017, U)
8.00 Sleepless in Seattle ★★★★ Heart-warming romantic comedy. Tom Hanks, Meg Ryan (1993, PG)
10.00 The Nutcracker and the Four Realms ★★★ Genteel fantasy. Mackenzie Foy, Keira Knightley (2018, PG)
11.50 The Swan Princess Christmas ★★ Family fantasy. Elle Deets, Yuri Lowenthal, Jennifer Miller (2012, PG)

1.30am The Star As 6pm **3.10** Elf: Buddy's Musical Christmas: animated comedy **4.25 Her Magical Christmas** ★★ Romance. Jessica Lowndes, Brendan Penny (2017)

Musicals

Sky 308 **Virgin** 404 **BT** 504

7.00am The Greatest Showman As 5pm **8.50** Frozen Fever **9.05 A Star Is Born** As 9pm **11.25** Cats Special **12.25pm Mary Poppins** ★★★★★ Musical. Julie Andrews (1964, U) **2.45 Mary Poppins Returns** ★★★ Musical fantasy. **Choice, p156.** Emily Blunt, Lin-Manuel Miranda, Ben Whishaw (2018, U)

5.00pm The Greatest Showman ★★★★ Sing-along musical. Hugh Jackman, Zac Efron (2017, PG)
7.00 Grease 2 ★★ Musical sequel starring a then little-known Michelle Pfeiffer. Maxwell Caulfield (1982, PG)
9.00 A Star Is Born ★★★★ The tragic showbiz romance is updated in a captivating extravaganza of music, joy and heartbreak starring Bradley Cooper and Lady Gaga. (2018, 15)

11.20pm Cats Special **12.20am Anna and the Apocalypse** ★★★ Musical comedy horror. Ella Hunt (2017, 15) **2.10 Saturday Night Fever** ★★★★★ Dance drama. John Travolta (1977, 18) **4.20 Mary Poppins** As 12.25pm

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Judith Kerr's The Tiger Who Came to Tea Party Book See p58

Disney

Sky 305 **Virgin** 405 **BT** 505

6.00am A Bug's Life ★★★★ Adventure. (1998, U) **7.40 Aladdin** ★★★★★ Adventure. Scott Weinger (1992, U) **9.15 Up** As 4.35pm **10.55 Dumbo** ★★★★ Fantasy adventure. Colin Farrell (2019, PG) **12.55pm Cinderella** As 8pm **2.45 Coco** ★★★★★ Adventure. Anthony Gonzalez (2017, PG)

4.35pm Up ★★★★★ Masterly animated fantasy. Ed Asner, Christopher Plummer, Jordan Nagai, John Ratzenberger (2009, U)

6.15 Tangled ★★★★ Fun-packed animated version of *Rapunzel*. Mandy Moore, Zachary Levi (2010, PG)

8.00 Cinderella ★★★★ Live-action retelling of the fairy tale. Lily James, Cate Blanchett, Helena Bonham Carter (2015, U)

9.50 John Carter ★★★ Exciting action fantasy. Taylor Kitsch, Lynn Collins, Mark Strong, Samantha Morton (2012, 12)

12.05am Atlantis: the Lost Empire ★★★★ Fantasy. Michael J Fox (2001, U) **1.50 Hercules** ★★★ Musical. Tate Donovan (1997, U) **3.35 The Sword in the Stone** ★★★ Adventure. Rickie Sorensen (1963, U) **5.05 Tangled** As 6.15pm

Thriller

Sky 309 **Virgin** 409 **BT** 509

6.05am Vertigo As 2.45pm **8.25 Panic Room** As 7pm **10.25 Marnie** ★★★★ Drama. "Tippi" Hedren (1964, 15) **12.40pm The Birds** ★★★★★ Horror. Rod Taylor (1963, 15) **2.45 Vertigo** ★★★★★ A retired cop with a terror of heights is hired to follow a friend's suicidal wife. James Stewart (1958, PG)

5.00pm Rear Window ★★★★★ A housebound photojournalist observes a sinister event. **Choice, left.** James Stewart (1954, PG)

7.00 Panic Room ★★★ A mother and daughter are trapped in their home by a trio of determined thieves. Jodie Foster (2002, 15)

9.00 Se7en ★★★★★ Two cops investigate a series of killings that are connected by the seven deadly sins. Brad Pitt, Morgan Freeman (1995, 18)

11.10pm The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo ★★★★ Stylish and atmospheric adaptation of Stieg Larsson's novel. Daniel Craig, Rooney Mara (2011, 18) **1.50am Marnie** As 10.25am **4.10 Rear Window** As 5pm

Sci-Fi/Horror

Sky 311 **Virgin** 411 **BT** 511

6.50am Bumblebee As 7pm **9.00 Mortal Engines** As 9pm **11.10 Batman Begins** ★★★★ Action fantasy. Christian Bale (2005, 12) **1.40pm The Dark Knight** ★★★★★ Action fantasy. Christian Bale (2008, 12) **4.15 The Dark Knight Rises** ★★★★ Action fantasy. Christian Bale, Anne Hathaway (2012, 12)

7.00pm Bumblebee ★★★ The lovable robot befriends a teenage girl in this 1980s-set spin-off from the *Transformers* franchise. Hailee Steinfeld (2018, PG)

9.00 Mortal Engines ★★★ Vvisually stunning steampunk riff on *Star Wars*. Hugo Weaving, Hera Hilmar, Robert Sheehan (2018, 12)

11.15 Captain Marvel ★★★ Marvel's classy fantasy adventure. Brie Larson, Samuel L Jackson, Jude Law (2019, 12)

1.30am Overlord ★★★ Tense Second World War action horror. Jovan Adepo, Wyatt Russell, Pilou Asbaek (2018, 18) **3.30 Close Encounters of the Third Kind** ★★★★★ Sci-fi drama. Richard Dreyfuss, François Truffaut (1998, PG)

Harry Potter

Sky 306 **Virgin** 406 **BT** 506

6.35am The Chamber of Secrets ★★★★ Fantasy adventure. (2002, PG) **9.25 The Prisoner of Azkaban** ★★★★ Fantasy adventure. (2004, PG) **12 noon The Goblet of Fire** ★★★★ Fantasy adventure. (2005, 12) **2.50pm The Order of the Phoenix** ★★★★ Adventure. (2007, 12)

5.20pm The Half-Blood Prince ★★★★ Outstanding fantasy. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2009, 12)

8.00 The Deathly Hallows: Part 1 ★★★ Harry, Ron and Hermione go on the run. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2010, 12)

10.30 The Deathly Hallows: Part 2 ★★★★★ Harry and Voldemort clash for the final time. Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson, Rupert Grint, Ralph Fiennes, Helena Bonham Carter (2011, 12)

12.45am The Philosopher's Stone ★★★★ Faithful adaptation of JK Rowling's first novel. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint (2001, PG) **3.25 The Chamber of Secrets** As 6.35am

Comedy

Sky 310 **Virgin** 408 **BT** 508

7.45am Teen Titans Go! To the Movies ★★★ Adventure. (2018, PG) **9.25 Peter Rabbit** ★★★ Fantasy. (2017, PG) **11.10 Bean** ★★★★ (1997, PG) **12.55pm Mr Bean's Holiday** ★★★ (2007, PG) **2.30 Johnny English** ★★ Adventure. (2003, PG) **4.10 Johnny English Reborn** ★★★ (2011, PG)

6.00pm Johnny English Strikes Again ★★ The bumbling secret agent returns. Rowan Atkinson, Olga Kurylenko, Emma Thompson (2018, PG)

7.45 National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation ★★ Silly comedy. Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo (1989, PG)

9.30 Mean Girls ★★★ Lindsay Lohan struggles to navigate high school. Rachel McAdams, Tina Fey (2004, 12)

11.10 Mean Girls 2 ★★ Belated sequel. Meaghan Jette Martin (2010, 12)

12.50am Bean As 11.10am **2.25 Trapped in Paradise** ★★★ Comedy. Nicolas Cage, Dana Carvey (1994, PG) **4.20 Summer Rental** ★★ Comedy. John Candy, Richard Crenna (1985, PG) **5.50 Johnny English** As 2.30pm

TCM Movies

Sky 315 **Virgin** 415 **BT** 512 HD **Virgin** 416

6.00am Hollywood's Best Film Directors **7.00 The Big Sleep** ★★★★★ Drama. (1946, PG) **9.15 Black Horse Canyon** ★★ Western. (1954, U) **10.55 The Gambler Wore a Gun** ★★★ Western. (1961, U) **12.15pm The Bridge at Remagen** ★★★ Second World War drama. George Segal (1969, PG)

2.45pm The Day of the Jackal ★★★★★ Suspenseful thriller about a plot to assassinate General de Gaulle. Edward Fox, Michel Lonsdale (1973, 15)

5.45 Battle of the Bulge ★★★★ Spectacular Second World War epic. Henry Fonda, Robert Shaw (1965, PG)

9.00 War ★★ Martial arts action thriller. Jet Li, Jason Statham (2007, 18)

11.10 Absolute Power ★★★ Well-paced drama. Clint Eastwood, Gene Hackman, Ed Harris, Laura Linney (1996, 15)

1.40am The Pearl of Death ★★★ Decent Sherlock Holmes mystery. Basil Rathbone, Nigel Bruce (1944, PG) **3.30** Hollywood's Best Film Directors

TCM Movies +1 **Sky** 316 **Virgin** 417

SPORT



Premier League Football
7.30pm ***Amazon Prime***
Leicester hitman Jamie Vardy

Sky Main Event

Sky 401 **Virgin** 511 **BT** 402 HD **Virgin** 501 **BT** 437

6.00am Sky Sports News **7.00 LIVE Test Cricket** South RT Africa v England, day one of the first Test in a four-match series, taking place at Supersport Park, Centurion. **See page 158.** **3.00pm LIVE Championship Football** Brentford v Swansea City, from Griffin Park (kick-off **3.00**); **5.00** Leeds United v Preston North End, at Elland Road (kick-off **5.15**); **7.15** Reading v Queens Park Rangers (kick-off **7.30**). **10.00** The World Cup through Their Eyes **12 midnight** Formula One **1.00am LIVE NBA** Brooklyn Nets v New York Knicks (tip-off **1.00**). **3.30–6.00am** Sky Sports News

Sky Football

Sky 403 **Virgin** 513 HD **Virgin** 503

6.00am Championship Highlights **7.00** SPFL Highlights **7.30** Championship Highlights **9.30** League One and Two Goals **10.00** Euro 2020 Qualifiers **11.00** SPFL Greatest Games **12 noon LIVE Scottish Premiership Football** Hearts v Hibernian (kick-off **12.30pm**). **2.45pm LIVE Championship Football** Brentford v Swansea City, from Griffin Park (kick-off **3.00**); **5.00** Leeds United v Preston North End, at Elland Road (kick-off **5.15**); **7.15** Reading v Queens Park Rangers (kick-off **7.30**). **10.00** EFL Rivalries **11.30** SPFL Greatest Games **12 midnight** Championship Highlights **2.00am** SPFL Greatest Games **2.30** One2Eleven (AD) **3.00** Championship Season Review **4.00** EFL Greatest Games **4.30** Countdowns (AD) **5.00** Greatest Players (AD) **5.30–6.00am** Football Years (AD)

Sky Golf

Sky 405 **Virgin** 515 HD **Virgin** 505

6.00am The Masters Official Film: Woods 1997 **7.00** The Masters Official Film: Woods 2001 **8.00** The Masters Official Film: Woods 2002 **9.00** The Masters **4.10pm** PGA Tour Profiles **4.30** The Masters Official Film: Woods 2005 **5.30** How the 2019 Masters Was Won **7.30** The Masters Official Film: Woods 1997 **8.30** How the 2019 Masters Was Won **10.30** The Masters **5.40–6.00am** PGA Tour Profiles

Premier Sports 2

Sky 429 **Virgin** 552

2.30–7.30pm LIVE Rugby Union Cardiff Blues v Dragons, the Pro14 clash at Cardiff Arms Park (kick-off **3.00**); **5.00** Scarlets v Ospreys, the Pro14 encounter from Parc y Scarlets, Llanelli (kick-off **5.15**).

Sky Premier League

Sky 402 **Virgin** 512 HD **Virgin** 502

6.00am Years (AD) **8.00** Christmas Crackers **9.00** Best of 18/19 **10.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **11.00** The Centurions **12 noon** Living the Dream **1.00am** Soccer Special **6.00** Goals Express **7.00** Premier League World **7.30** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **8.00** Christmas Crackers **9.30** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **10.00** Class of 92: Full Time: behind the scenes at Salford City FC, as it's transformed into a full-time club **1.00am** Premier League Years (AD) **3.00** Greatest Games **4.00** Best Goals **5.30–6.00am** 100 Club (AD)

Sky Cricket

Sky 404 **Virgin** 514 HD **Virgin** 504

6.00am Cricket World Cup **7.00 LIVE Test Cricket** South RT Africa v England, day one of the first Test in a four-match series, taking place at Supersport Park, Centurion. **See page 158.** **4.00pm** Test Cricket **6.00** The World Cup through Their Eyes: a look back at England's victorious Cricket World Cup through the eyes of the players **8.00** Test Cricket **10.00** The World Cup through Their Eyes **12 midnight** Test Cricket **5.30–6.00am** Best of England v Pakistan (AD)

Sky Action

Sky 407 **Virgin** 517 HD **Virgin** 507

6.00am NBA Classic Games **7.00** Wrestling **8.00** NFL: America's Game (AD) **9.00** NBA Finals **10.00** NBA Classic Games **11.00** NFL **1.00pm** Inside the Huddle **2.00** Wrestling **4.00** NFL **6.00** Inside the Huddle **7.00** NBA **1.00am LIVE NBA** Brooklyn Nets v New York Knicks, coverage of the Eastern Conference game from Barclays Centre (tip-off **1.00**). **3.30** Great Sporting Moments (AD) **4.00–6.00am** NBA (AD)

Sky Darts

Sky 408 **Virgin** 518 HD **Virgin** 508

6.00am Top Five Moments **7.00** World Darts **11.00** Top Five Moments **12 noon** World Darts **4.00pm** Darts Gold **5.00** World Darts: action from the second session of day ten of the PDC World Darts Championship at Alexandra Palace in London **9.00** Darts Gold **10.00** World Darts **2.00am** Darts Gold (AD) **3.00** Top Five Moments **4.00–6.00am** Darts Gold

Eurosport 1

Sky 410 **Virgin** 521 **BT** 412 HD **BT** 435

7.00am Watts **7.15** Triathlon **7.45** Mountain Bikes **8.45** Cyclo-Cross **9.45** Tennis **10.45** Alpine Skiing: action from the World Cup meeting in Val Gardena, Italy, featuring the first run of the men's downhill **11.45** Ski Jumping: the Four Hills events **12.45pm** Climbing **3.00** Cycling **6.00** Cyclo-Cross **7.00** Ski Jumping **8.00** Snooker **10.00** Darts **12 midnight** Motor Racing **12.40–7.00am** Watts

Amazon Prime

11.30am LIVE Premier League Football Nine live games. RT **See page 158.** **12.30pm** Tottenham v Brighton **3.00** Aston Villa v Norwich City **3.00** Bournemouth v Arsenal **3.00** Chelsea v Southampton **3.00** Crystal Palace v West Ham **3.00** Everton v Burnley **3.00** Sheffield United v Watford **5.30** Manchester United v Newcastle United **8.00** Leicester City v Liverpool

BT Sport 1

Sky 413 **Virgin** 527 **BT** 408 HD **BT** 430

6.00am Premier League World **6.30** Premier League Reload: the weekend's best action **6.45** T20 Cricket **8.00 LIVE T20 Cricket** Perth Scorchers v Sydney Sixers, the Big Bash League match from Optus Stadium in Perth. **11.15** Test Cricket **12.15pm** T20 Cricket **12.30** Goals Reload **12.45** Yachting (AD) **1.15** Rugby Union on Tour (AD) **1.45** BT Sport Mic'd Up **2.15** Scottish Football **2.30 LIVE Scottish Premiership Football** St Mirren v Celtic, the top-flight clash from Simple Digital Arena (kick-off **3.00**). **5.15** MotoGP Films: Racing Together: documentary (AD) **7.30** MotoGP **9.00** UFC **1.00am** Scottish Football **2.30** BT Sport Reload **3.00** Poker **5.00** Rugby Union on Tour (AD) **5.30–6.00am** BT Sport Goals Reload

BT Sport 2

Sky 414 **Virgin** 528 **BT** 409 HD **BT** 431

7.15am Premier League Reload **7.30** Australian Football **8.30 LIVE Australian Women's Football** Canberra United v Western Sydney Wanderers at McKellar Park (kick-off **8.30**). **10.30** BT Sport Score Best Bits **11.00** Scottish Football **11.15** Rugby Union **2.30am** German Football **3.30** Test Cricket **4.30** T20 Cricket **5.45** Rugby Tonight on Tour (AD) **6.15** BT Sport Goals Reload **6.45** Test Cricket: Australia v New Zealand **7.45** Packer: the Man Who Changed Cricket (AD) **9.15** T20 Cricket **10.15** Test Cricket **11.15–7.15am LIVE Test Cricket** Australia v New Zealand, the second day of the second Test in the three-match series, from Melbourne Cricket Ground.

BT Sport 3

Sky 417 **Virgin** 529 **BT** 410 HD **BT** 432

6.00am–6.00pm Boxing: Anthony Yarde v Travis Reeves **8.00** Sam Bowen v Jordan McCorry **10.00** Terence Crawford v Amir Khan **11.00** Daniel Dubois v Richard Lartey **1.00pm** Billy Joe Saunders v Shefat Isufi **3.00** Josh Warrington v Kid Galahad **5.00** Tyson Fury v Tom Schwarz **6.00pm–6.00am** Boxing: Daniel Dubois v Nathan Gorman **8.00** Michael Conlan v Diego Alberto Ruiz **10.00** Sunny Edwards v Hugo Rosendo Guarneros **12 midnight** Sergey Kovalev v Anthony Yarde **1.00am** Tyson Fury v Otto Wallin **2.00** Daniel Dubois v Ebenezer Tetteh **4.00** Josh Warrington v Sofiane Takoucht

BT Sport ESPN

Sky 423 **Virgin** 530 **BT** 411 HD **BT** 434

6.00am ESPN FC **6.30** American Football **4.30pm** BT Sport Reload **4.45** Basketball **8.45** BT Sport Reload **9.00 LIVE American Football** The Independence Bowl. **12.30am** Triathlon **1.00 LIVE American Football** The Quick Lane Bowl from Detroit. **4.30–6.00am** American Football

Eurosport 2

Sky 411 **Virgin** 522 **BT** 413 HD **BT** 436

6.00am Australian Superbikes **7.00** British Superbikes **8.00** Cliff Diving **9.00** Freestyle Skiing **10.00** Snooker **12 noon** Darts **2.00pm** Snooker **4.00** Motor Racing **5.00** World Superbikes **7.00** Climbing **9.15** Cyclo-Cross **10.15** World Superbikes **12.15am** Motor Racing **1.45** Watts **2.00** Alpine Skiing **3.00** Motocross **4.00–5.00am** Superbikes

FRIDAY Choices

The pick of today's TV









SPORTING RIVALRY
Clockwise, from above: 1990s trio Ian Botham, David Coleman and Bill Beaumont; 1970s host David Vine; Emlyn Hughes and Princess Anne in 1987; current line-up Matt Dawson, Sue Barker and Phil Tufnell

PICK OF THE DAY A Question of Sport at 50

8.30pm ***BBC1*** *(Wales: 9pm; Scotland: 11pm)*

DOCUMENTARY The beauty of *A Question of Sport* – which celebrates its 50th anniversary on 5 January – is that the format has remained largely unchanged, resulting in a multigenerational appeal. With Sue Barker at the helm since 1997, the modern era of the sporting quiz show has seen a rotating cast of cheerfully competitive captains, currently Matt Dawson (since 2004) and Phil Tufnell (since 2008). It's easy watching, in the best way possible, like a sillier and arguably more democratic *University Challenge*.

Here, the great and the good of the sporting world pay tribute, including Princess Anne, who has been both a guest and a memorable answer: in 1987, during a picture round, Emlyn Hughes misidentified the royal as jockey John Reid. The festive feast of *QoS* includes the Christmas edition earlier this week (Monday 23 December, 7pm BBC1) and *A Question of Sport: 50 Not Out* (Friday 3 January, 7.30pm BBC1), a special episode combining the usual quizzing with memorable clips. **HANNAH SHADDOCK**

Goodbye, Mr Chips

9.35am ***ITV3***

DAYTIME CHOICE Martin Clunes does a good job as the much-loved teacher in this Christmas 2003 version of James Hilton's sentimental story. We follow Mr Chipping as he looks back on his life, from his disastrous first lesson as the new Latin master through to the First World War. Many of his pupils do not survive the conflict. It's a warm-hearted, episodic tale of a kindly man who loathes the petty tyrannies of the public-school system and who wins the respect and admiration of his pupils. **ALISON GRAHAM**

101 Events that Made the 20th Century

1.00pm ***5Select***

DOCUMENTARY ***New series*** This series charts the significant events of the previous century, which have shaped the world as it is now. It doesn't quite go on for 100 years but, at eight hours of TV, it *is* a marathon.

Over eight consecutive episodes, we're reminded of Martin Luther King's speech, man landing on the Moon, the Second World War, the sinking of the *Titanic*, the discovery of a polio vaccination, the first heart transplant and the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II.

If you can stay the course, the final episode (at 8pm) reveals the top ten events that have stayed in our minds as ones that really marked history. **JANE RACKHAM**

Worzel Gummidge

7.00pm ***BBC1***

DRAMA Worzel's relationship with John and Susan is threatened when Michael Palin's Green Man, who created our hero, visits to tell him that it's against the rules to talk to "chilluns".

Like Worzel himself, still looking a bit like Ron Moody's Fagin from the film *Oliver!*, the Green Man may be stern but at heart he's benignly in tune with the whole folkloric vibe of Mackenzie Crook's charming, tender and environmentally-conscious reboot. And there are still dollops of fun and silliness to be had around Ten Acre Field, particularly when the trio encounter Zoë Wanamaker's posh aristo and a gang of renegade biker scarecrows, led by marrow-headed Soggy Bogart. **BEN DOWELL**

Midsomer Murders

8.00pm ***ITV***

DRAMA Before DS Charlie Nelson (Gwilym Lee) has even introduced himself as Barnaby's (Neil Dudgeon) new sidekick, there's a murder in this festive episode from 2013. At a Fright Night in the pretty village of Morton Shallows (where you'll spot many familiar faces among the ghost hunters) someone is run through with an antique sword.

As Nelson and Barnaby investigate, they uncover the usual array of festering feuds, deceit, secret affairs and murderous intent that are the bedrock of all *Midsomer* stories. "ABC," Barnaby crisply reminds Nelson – "Assume nothing. Believe nothing. Check everything." He's clearly missing his old partner and you can understand why. **JR**

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Children's Choices

Grandpa's Great Escape *4.55pm* ***BBC1***
An hour-long dramatisation of the David Walliams book, first shown at Christmas 2017 and starring Walliams himself with Jennifer Saunders, Samantha Spiro and Tom Courtenay. When it becomes clear that Second World War hero Grandpa needs to break out of his nursing home, his grandson Jack (Kit Connor) helps out.

■ **Zootropolis** *3.15pm* ***BBC1***
A Disney computer animation that digs deeper, with an ambitiously interconnected alternative universe populated exclusively by animals, whose species dictate their line of work. Titled *Zootopia* in America, it presents a human-free ecosystem in which the police are recruited from buffalo (a challenge for would-be cop Judy, a rabbit), the mayor is a lion, weasels are crooks, elephants practise yoga, and sloths man the Zootopian drivers' licensing department.



Bonnie & Clyde
8.40pm ***PBS America***

DOCUMENTARY The two-year killing spree across the Midwest by outlaw lovers Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow gripped the American public's imagination during the Depression – and still endures today, thanks to the queasy mix of true romance and cold-blooded murderous intent. This in-depth recounting of their story goes behind the hype to look at Bonnie and Clyde's years growing up in poverty and their descent into a life of crime.

Mixing old newsreel footage, extracts from gangster movies, and interviews with two of Barrow and Parker's descendants, there's a wealth of extraordinary detail – at the scene of the outlaws' deaths, a souvenir hunter tried to cut off Clyde's trigger finger. **DAVID CRAWFORD**

Richard Osman's World Cup of the Decade
9.00pm ***C4***

QUIZ The *Pointless* co-host is one of those celebrities who's almost bigger on Twitter than in real life: Osman has 845,000 followers, a number boosted by his hobby of hosting mass votes, organised into a World Cup format, on pleasing fripperies such as the best crisp flavour. That craze has become this jovially inessential TV show.

Celebrity guests, led by Lorraine Kelly and Jon Richardson, chat about Twitter polls held to decide the top film, TV programme, song, celebrity and "new thing" of the 2010s. These were hard-fought contests: Michelle Obama, *Shape of You* by Ed Sheeran and Fortnite were all humiliated in the quarter-finals. So who/what won? **JACK SEALE**

The Decade the Music Died
9.00pm ***Sky Arts***

DOCUMENTARY There hasn't been much end-of-decade fanfare, as 2019 draws to a close. Probably because, without a catchy name to latch on to, the past ten years have had trouble asserting their collective identity.

One sad fact about the years in question is that we've lost a large number of pop stars. Amy Winehouse, George Michael, Whitney Houston, David Bowie, Aretha Franklin, Robin Gibb, Donna Summer and Prince are among those bound to feature in this tribute show. A mere 90 minutes is barely enough time, but let's hope the likes of Captain Beefheart, Pete Shelley and Mark E Smith get a look in, too. They will all, of course, live on through their music. **GARY ROSE**



BREAKING POINT
Michelle (Kym Marsh) reaches the end of her tether

Coronation Street
7.30pm ***ITV***

SOAP It's become one of *Corrie's* most bizarre traditions: every couple of years, a character is called upon to lay waste to the Bistro. If memory serves, Nick was the first to smash up the premises. Next, we had Leanne chucking bottles around. Now, Michelle (Kym Marsh) loses her temper big time after discovering Ray is the upmarket eatery's mystery buyer. Someone should edit a montage video, with "Trash the Bistro" being sung to the tune of *Rock the Casbah*.

The latest act of wanton destruction also serves as an exit for Michelle, who has vented spleen at everyone during her 13 years on the show. Having run out of feckless partners (Robert, Steve) and love rivals (Leanne) to punch, she's taken to raging at inanimate objects.

It's perhaps best that Michelle goes now before she starts clawing at the cobbles with those French-polished nails. **DAVID BROWN**

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The Man Who Saw Too Much
iPlayer (expires today)
This extraordinary film profiles 106-year-old Boris Pahor, the oldest known survivor of the Nazi concentration camps. He was imprisoned in Alsace: his recollections form a precious, detailed and, of course, deeply disturbing first-hand account of the terrors of the Holocaust.

Mortimer & Whitehouse: Gone Fishing
iPlayer (ep1 expires today)
Another chance to see this fantastic mates-on-a-trip show from the very beginning. **JS**

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The Grinch (2018)
Streaming 6 December *(Sky Cinema)*
The grouchy Grinch (Benedict Cumberbatch) hatches a plan to ruin Christmas for the whole of Whoville. Giving Dr Seuss's tale a shiny new reboot, this animated movie is a family-friendly treat.
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BEST LIVE SPORT



■ **Premier League Football: Wolves v Manchester City** *7pm (kick-off 7.45pm)* ***Amazon Prime*** Wolves marksman Raúl Jiménez.
■ **Test Cricket: South Africa v England, first Test, day two** *7.30am* ***Sky Cricket/Main Event***
■ **Racing** *12.45pm* ***ITV4*** Who'll win the Welsh Grand National?
■ **Darts: World Championship, day 12** *12.30pm* ***Sky Darts;*** *7pm* ***Sky Darts/Main Event/Sky 1***

P FILM OF THE DAY

The Limehouse Golem
9.30pm ***BBC2***
Period murder mystery starring Bill Nighy and Olivia Cooke.
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FRIDAY Main Channels

DAYTIME

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast Louise Minchin, Charlie Stayt. (S) (HD)

8.10 Match of the Day Shown yesterday 10.20pm (S) (HD)

9.40 How to Train Your Dragon 2 ★★★★ Animation with the voice of Jay Baruchel. After five years of the Vikings and dragons living together, Hiccup finds there's a threat to that peaceful status quo. **Children's choice, p169.** Director Dean DeBlois (2014, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.10 Book of Dragons Animated short based on the 2010 fantasy film *How to Train Your Dragon*. (S) (HD)

11.30 Planet Earth II: a World of Wonder Highlights from the series. The series is on iPlayer. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

1.00pm BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

1.25–3.15 Raiders of the Lost Ark ★★★★★ Action adventure starring Harrison Ford and Karen Allen. Indiana Jones's outrageous exploits take him around the world in search of the legendary Ark of the Covenant. **Review p86.** Director Steven Spielberg (1981, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

BBC2

6.20–7.20am Sign Zone Love in the Countryside *6/6* Sara finds out if any of the rural romantics believe they have found everlasting love in the countryside. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

7.20 This Farming Life Raymond is kept guessing by his surrogate sheep. (R) (S) (HD)

8.20 Race across the World Double bill. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

10.20 The Planets Professor Brian Cox looks at Jupiter, the oldest planet in the solar system. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

11.20 Evil under the Sun ★★★ Murder mystery based on the novel by Agatha Christie, starring Peter Ustinov and Maggie Smith. When an actress is murdered, Hercule Poirot steps in to investigate. Director Guy Hamilton (1982, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

1.15pm Animal Babies: First Year on Earth Cameras follow six baby animals as they face the challenges of surviving their first year of life. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

2.15–4.05 Becoming Jane ★★★ Biopic starring Anne Hathaway and James McAvoy. In 1795, fledgling writer Jane Austen becomes romantically involved with a penniless Irish lawyer and dreams of marrying for love. Director Julian Jarrold (2006, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

ITV

6.00am Good Morning Britain (S) (HD)

8.30 Lorraine Fashion and showbiz news. (S) (HD)

9.25 Midsomer Murders The House in the Woods Barnaby investigates a double murder. (R) (S) (AD)

11.25 The Mummy: Tomb of the Dragon Emperor ★★ Period horror adventure starring Brendan Fraser and Jet Li. Intrepid explorers Rick and Evelyn O'Connell come out of retirement in a bid to prevent the resurrected Dragon Emperor from taking over the world. Director Rob Cohen (2008, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.25pm ITV News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

1.40 Jack Frost ★★ Fantasy comedy drama starring Michael Keaton. When a neglectful father is killed, he has the chance to make amends with his son. Director Troy Miller (1998, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

3.35–4.35 Tenable A team of wheelchair basketball enthusiasts attempt to score a perfect ten. (R) (S) (HD)

Channel 4

5.35am FernGully: the Last Rainforest ★★ Animated musical fantasy in which a group of rainforest animals try to save their homes. Director Bill Kroyer (1992, U) (S) (W) (HD)

6.50 Everybody Loves Raymond Triple bill. (R) (S) (AD)

8.05 The King of Queens Double bill. (R) (S) (AD)

9.00 The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge out of Water ★★★★ Part-animated comedy adventure. The secret formula for the addictive Krabby Patty is stolen. Director Paul Tibbitt (2015, U) (S) (W) (HD)

10.50 Short Circuit ★★★ Fantasy comedy starring Ally Sheedy, Steve Guttenberg and Fisher Stevens. Director John Badham (1986, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

12.45pm The Simpsons Double bill. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

1.45 The Big Bang Theory *11/24* *Series 8* Amy hosts a Christmas Eve dinner. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

2.10 The Secret World of Toys at Christmas A look at toy-makers around the globe. Shown Mon 23 Dec 7pm (S) (AD) (HD)

3.10–4.10 A Place in the Sun Jonnie Irwin visits Languedoc to help a woman from Southport. (R) (S) (HD)

BBC1



Worzel Gummidge *7.00pm* The Green Man (Michael Palin, right) has stern words for Worzel about his friends

3.15pm Zootropolis ★★★★★

Animated comedy featuring the voices of Ginnifer Goodwin and Jason Bateman. A bunny cop and a con-artist fox team up. **Children's choice, p169.** Directors Byron Howard, Rich Moore and Jared Bush (2016, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

4.55 Grandpa's Great Escape

A former Second World War flying ace attempts to break out of an old people's home. **Children's choice, p169.**

Grandpa	**Tom Courtenay**	Patricia	**Samantha Spiro**
Barry	**David Walliams**	Miss Dandy	**Jennifer Saunders**
Jack	**Kit Connor**	Raj	**Harish Patel**

Writers Kevin Cecil and David Walliams; Producer Charlie Leech Director Elliot Hegarty (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

6.30 Celebrity Mastermind

Bronagh Waugh, Darren Harriott, Adam Pearson and Riyadh Khalaf compete. More tomorrow 5.30pm. Director Geraldine Dowd; Producers Kate Middleditch and Chris Jones NOTE: Episode may change depending on football coverage on Saturday 21 December (S) (HD)

7.00 Worzel Gummidge

RT *2/2.* **The Green Man.** Michael Palin stars as the Green Man, creator of all the scarecrows. And he's not happy to hear that Worzel has been making friends with human beings… **See p168.** Adapted by Mackenzie Crook For cast see page 160 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 EastEnders

Gray decides to set up a wedding ceremony at home.

Gray Atkins	**Toby-Alexander Smith**	Keegan Baker	**Zack Morris**
Phil Mitchell	**Steve McFadden**	Mo Harris	**Laila Morse**
Whitney Dean	**Shona McGarty**	Habiba Ahmed	**Rukku Nahar**
Jags Panesar	**Amar Adatia**	Kheerat Panesar	**Jaz Deol**
Bex Fowler	**Jasmine Armfield**	Mick Carter	**Danny Dyer**
Honey Mitchell	**Emma Barton**	Kim Fox	**Tameka Empson**
Jay Brown	**Jamie Borthwick**	Billy Mitchell	**Perry Fenwick**
Ben Mitchell	**Max Bowden**	Rainie Branning	**Tanya Franks**
Tina Carter	**Luisa Bradshaw-White**	Ash Kaur	**Gurlaine Kaur Garcha**
Linda Carter	**Kellie Bright**	Kush Kazemi	**Davood Ghadami**
Dot Branning	**June Brown**	Mitch Baker	**Roger Griffiths**
Martin Fowler	**James Bye**	Lola Pearce	**Danielle Harold**
Sonia Fowler	**Natalie Cassidy**	Lee Carter	**Danny-Boy Hatchard**
Stuart Highway	**Ricky Champ**	Shirley Carter	**Linda Henry**
Callum "Halfway" Highway	**Tony Clay**	Vinny Panesar	**Shiv Jalota**
Iqra Ahmed	**Priya Davdra**	Louise Mitchell	**Tilly Keeper**
Sharon Mitchell	**Letitia Dean**	Charlie "Tubbs" Savage	**Tayla Kovacevic-Ebong**
Bobby Beale	**Clay Milner Russell**		

Writer Daran Little This fortnight's episodes directed by Toby Frow, Thomas Hescott and Lance Kneeshaw More cast p240 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.30 A Question of Sport at 50

RT Celebrating the more than 1,200 episodes aired over the past five decades, including one with Princess Anne as a guest that was watched by 19 million people in 1987. **See page 168.** Producer Tom Burt; Executive producer Gareth JM Edwards (S) (HD) *A Question of Sport: 50 Not Out* is on Friday 3 January 7.30pm

9.30 Have I Got 2019 News for You

A look back at the big headlines of the year. Directors Martin Lord and Paul Wheeler; Producer Mike Rayment Extended repeat Sunday 12.05am (S) (HD)

10.00 Mrs Brown's Boys

A Wonderful Mammy. Agnes wonders what life would be like if she had never been born. **See choice, p140.** Shown Christmas Day 10.30pm For cast see page 220 (S) (HD)

10.30 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

Followed by **National Lottery Update** (S)

11.00 Ant-Man ★★★

Action adventure from Marvel Comics, starring Paul Rudd and Michael Douglas. **Review p86.** Director Peyton Reed (2015, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.50am Fleabag *5/6* *Series 2*. Claire's in crisis. The whole series is on iPlayer. Postponed from Fri 20 December (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
1.15 Weather (S) (HD) **1.20–6.00am BBC News** (S) (HD)

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HD Freeview 101 Freesat 106 Sky 115 Virgin 108

BBC2



The Limehouse Golem *9.30pm* On the trail of an East End murderer – Bill Nighy stars as Inspector Kildare

4.05pm Emma ★★★★

Period romantic drama based on the novel by Jane Austen, starring Gwyneth Paltrow. In a corner of early-19th-century England, young Emma Woodhouse spends so much time meddling in the affairs of others that she fails to recognise her own longings.

Emma	**Gwyneth Paltrow**	Miss Bates	**Sophie Thompson**
Harriet	**Toni Collette**	Mrs Bates	**Phyllida Law**
Mr Knightley	**Jeremy Northam**	Mr Weston	**James Cosmo**
Frank Churchill	**Ewan McGregor**	Mr Woodhouse	**Denys Hawthorne**
Mr Elton	**Alan Cumming**	Mrs Goddard	**Kathleen Byron**
Mrs Weston	**Greta Scacchi**	John Knightley	**Brian Capron**
Mrs Elton	**Juliet Stevenson**	Bates's maid	**Ruth Jones**
Jane Fairfax	**Polly Walker**		

Director Douglas McGrath (1996, U) (S) (W) (HD)

6.00 Mortimer and Whitehouse: Gone Fishing

1/6 *Series 2*. Experienced angler Paul Whitehouse and keen apprentice Bob Mortimer return to dissect life and death against the backdrop of some of the UK's most beautiful locations. They begin on the River Usk in Wales, where Paul's father first taught him to fish as a young child. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
6.30 *2/6*. Paul and Bob go in search of the mighty carp in Essex. Continues Sunday 29 December 7pm. Director Will Yapp; Series producer Stephanie Fyfe (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

7.00 Mountain Vets

6/6. Tests are carried out on a Yorkshire terrier that has stopped eating, while stable-hand Caroline prepares cow Daisy for her first competition at the Balmoral Show. Narrated by Kevin Murphy. Directors/Producers Gillian Callan, Dominic Coyle, Caroline Menzies and Gaetan Mourgue Signed rpt Monday 30 Dec at 6.05am (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Christmas University Challenge

5/10 *Series 9*. Former graduates of Royal Holloway, University of London and the University of Sussex, including ceramicist Emma Bridgewater, political correspondent Mark D'Arcy and sci-fi writer Kim Newman, battle for a place in the semi-finals. (S) (HD)

8.30 The Snow Wolf: a Winter's Tale

A pack of wolves led by an alpha female and her mate have raised their family to become formidable hunters. But a tragic event turns their lives upside down. Director Fred Fougea; Producer Barthelemy Fougea (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

9.30 The Limehouse Golem ★★★★

P Period murder mystery. Victorian London is gripped by a series of murders and Inspector Kildare is assigned to the case. **Film of the Day: p86.**

John Kildare	**Bill Nighy**	Mr Gerrard	**Adam Brown**
Lizzie Cree	**Olivia Cooke**	George Gissing	**Morgan Watkins**
Dan Leno	**Douglas Booth**	Uncle	**Eddie Marsan**
George Flood	**Daniel Mays**	Salomon Weil	**Damien Thomas**
John Cree	**Sam Reid**	Inspector Roberts	**Peter Sullivan**
Aveline	**María Valverde**	Toby Dosett	**Nicholas Woodeson**
Karl Marx	**Henry Goodman**	Augustus Rowley	**Paul Ritter**

Director Juan Carlos Medina Also showing with signing New Year's Day 2.15am (2016, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.15 QI XL: Quizmas

Sandi Toksvig hosts an extended version of Christmas Eve's seasonal edition, with panellists Alan Davies, Sara Pascoe, Josh Widdicombe and Johnny Vegas. (Revised rpt) (S) (HD)

12 midnight NFL This Week Action from the 16th round of fixtures, introduced by Mark Chapman. (S) (HD)
12.50–4.20am Sign Zone 12.50 Home Is Where the Art Is Creating a piece to celebrate a ruby anniversary. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
1.35 Reggie in China *3/3.* Reggie Yates visits Shanghai, China's largest city, and Chengdu, capital of Sichuan province, to explore the fault line between modern-day Chinese culture and strict censorship rules imposed by the government. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
2.35 Seven Worlds, One Planet *6/7.* On a continent of extreme seasonal change, some animals thrive. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
3.35 For Love or Money *5/5.* Investigating the technology used for elaborate online romance fraud. (R) (S) (HD)

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ITV



Midsomer Murders *8.00pm* Barnaby and Nelson are in the Christmas spirit – but not for long

4.35pm Tipping Point: Lucky Stars
Reality star Vicky Pattison, actor Christopher Biggins and *Birds of a Feather's* Lesley Joseph compete in the general knowledge quiz.
Director Rhys Padarn; Executive producers Sara Doyle, Peter Usher and Hugh Rycroft (R) (S) (HD)

5.35 The Chase Celebrity Special
Coronation Street stars Simon Gregson, Lucy Fallon, Victoria Ekanoye and Andrew Whyment take on one of the nation's finest quiz brains to raise money for charity. (R) (S) (HD)

6.30 ITV News Weather (S) (HD)

6.40 Regional News Weather (S) (HD)

7.00 Emmerdale
Kim tries to get Jamie on side.
Writer Andrew Kirk For cast see pages 231/241
Repeated next Monday ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

7.30 Coronation Street
RT Michelle heads to the bistro to hand over the keys to the new owner, but when the mystery buyer turns out to be Ray, she sets about smashing up the place. **See page 169.**
Writer Sam Holdsworth This week's producer Iain MacLeod, directors Judith Dine and Michael Lacey For cast see pages 123/201
Rptd Mon 30 December 8.30am and 12.30pm ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Midsomer Murders
RT **The Christmas Haunting.** It's supposed to be a time of great joy in the Midsomer villages – Christmas is coming and John Barnaby is soon to be a father – but the mood changes abruptly when a man is murdered during a ghost-hunting party. **See page 168.**

DCI John Barnaby	**Neil Dudgeon**	Ollie Tabori	**James Murray**
DS Charlie Nelson	**Gwilym Lee**	Brendan Pierce	**Les Dennis**
Sarah Barnaby	**Fiona Dolman**	Libs Pearce	**Elizabeth Berrington**
Kate Wilding	**Tamzin Malleson**	Mel Bridgeman	**Susie Trayling**
Simon Fergus-Johnson	**Mark Heap**	Conor Bridgeman	**Jonah Russell**
Tabby Fergus-Johnson	**Nadia Cameron-Blakey**	Felicity Hearn	**Perdita Avery**
		Dev Kardek	**Nikesh Patel**
Pippa Fergus-Johnson	**Hannah Tointon**	Ross Clymer	**Paul Blair**
Valerie Fergus-Johnson	**Emily Joyce**		

Writer Chris Murray; Producer Louise Sutton
Director Nick Laughland (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 ITV News
Weather; Regional Weather (S) (HD)

10.10 Love Actually ★★★
Richard Curtis, writer of *Four Weddings and a Funeral*, makes his directorial debut with this romantic comedy featuring Hugh Grant and Emma Thompson. In London, during the weeks leading up to Christmas, people from various walks of life suffer the emotional highs and lows of being in love. **Review page 86.**

Harry	**Alan Rickman**	John	**Martin Freeman**
Billy Mack	**Bill Nighy**	Sam	**Thomas Sangster**
David, the Prime Minister	**Hugh Grant**	Carol	**Claudia Schiffer**
Jamie	**Colin Firth**	Carla, the real friendly one	
Karen	**Emma Thompson**		**Denise Richards**
Sarah	**Laura Linney**	Harriet, the sexy one	
Daniel	**Liam Neeson**		**Shannon Elizabeth**
Natalie	**Martine McCutcheon**	Joe	**Gregor Fisher**
Juliet	**Keira Knightley**	Peter	**Chiwetel Ejiofor**
Rufus	**Rowan Atkinson**	Radio Watford DJ	**Brian Bovell**
Mark	**Andrew Lincoln**	Mikey	**Marcus Brigstocke**
The US President	**Billy Bob Thornton**	Ant	**Anthony McPartlin**
Just Judy	**Joanna Page**	Dec	**Declan Donnelly**
Colin Frissell	**Kris Marshall**	Parky	**Michael Parkinson**
Aurelia Barros	**Lucia Moniz**	Carol-Anne	**Elisha Cuthbert**

(2003, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.30am Home Shopping
3.00 Meet the Parents Manchester's Olivia Davidson-Slack and Will Oakley from Southampton take part in the dating show. (R) (S) (SL) (HD)
3.50–6.00am Nightscreen Text information. (HD)

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Channel 4



Richard Osman's World Cup of the Decade *9.00pm* Hunting down the best things from the last ten years

4.10pm Christmas at Chatsworth House
One-off documentary going behind the scenes of Chatsworth, as the Duke, Duchess and their 800 staff brace themselves for an influx of 200,000 visitors over the 2019 festive season.
Director/Producer Charlie Clay (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
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5.15 Channel 4 News Sport; Weather (S) (HD)

5.30 The Simpsons
Homer the Smithers. With Smithers on holiday, Homer becomes Mr Burns's PA. (R) (S) (AD)
6.00 The Day the Violence Died. A homeless man claims he created *Itchy and Scratchy*. (R) (S) (AD)

6.30 Hollyoaks
Nancy decides to throw a New Year's Eve party.

Nancy Osborne	**Jessica Fox**	Lisa Loveday	**Rachel Adedeji**
Brody Hudson	**Adam Woodward**	Luke Morgan	**Gary Lucy**
Brooke Hathaway	**Talia Vanessa Grant**	Mandy Morgan	**Sarah Jayne Dunn**
Celeste Faroe	**Andrea Ali**	Martine Deveraux	**Kelle Bryan**
Cindy Cunningham	**Stephanie Waring**	Maxine Kinsella	**Nikki Sanderson**
Damon Kinsella	**Jacob Roberts**	Minnie Minniver	**Eva Lorente**
Darren Osborne	**Ashley Taylor Dawson**	Misbah Maalik	**Harvey Virdi**
Goldie McQueen	**Chelsee Healey**	Mitchell Deveraux	**Imran Adams**
Hilton Cunningham	**Blake Wood**	Nana McQueen	**Diane Langton**
Imran Maalik	**Ijaz Rana**	Oliver Morgan	**Aedan Duckworth**
Juliet Quinn	**Niamh Blackshaw**	Peri Lomax	**Ruby O'Donnell**
Leela Lomax	**Kirsty-Leigh Porter**	Romeo Quinn	**Owen Warner**
Liberty Savage	**Jessamy Stoddart**	Sid Sumner	**Billy Price**

Writer Lyn Papadopoulos More cast page 241 Shown Monday 7pm E4 Rptd next Mon E4 Next episode follows on E4 (S) (AD) (HD)

7.00 Gogglesprogs at Christmas
The young TV critics are back, giving their opinions on the highlights of the year – from *Flirty Dancing* to coverage of the Extinction Rebellion protests, and the Christmas movie *Elf*.
Shown Monday 23 December 8pm (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Celebrity Crystal Maze
Catherine Tyldesley captains an all-star line-up featuring Shirley Ballas, Gareth Malone, Scarlett Moffatt and Nish Kumar as maze master Richard Ayoade refuses to enter into the festive spirit. Richard Wilson guests. **See choice, p121.**
Shown Monday 23 December 10pm (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Richard Osman's World Cup of the Decade
RT Richard and his guests, Jon Richardson, Lorraine Kelly, Alex Brooker and Rhianna Dhillon, celebrate the best films, TV shows, songs, celebrities and "new things" of the past decade. They discuss the contenders in the groups, before revealing the ultimate winners in each category. In the lead up to the show, viewers will also have a say, as Richard will be hosting a World Cup style tournament on Twitter, giving the public an opportunity to share their opinions. **See p169.**
Director Barbara Wiltshire; Producer Charles Hyland Repeated tomorrow 9.50pm 4seven and Fri 3 January 10.30pm C4 (S) (HD)
RT BOOKS To order *Richard Osman's House of Games* for £13.50 incl p&p, call 03302 232 639 or visit radiotimes.com/shop52

10.30 Gogglebox 2019
The recent series' best moments.
Shown Christmas Eve 9pm (S) (AD) (HD)

12.25am The Hunger Games: Mockingjay Part 2
★★★★ Finale to the action adventure series, with Jennifer Lawrence. Despite her importance as a figurehead to the rebel cause, Katniss puts her life on the line to join the front lines on an assault on the Capitol.
Director Francis Lawrence (2015, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
2.45 Come Dine with Me In Kent. (R) (S) (HD)
5.00 A Very British Country House *3/4.* A couple want a Jane Austen-themed wedding. (R) (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)
5.55–6.00am Kirstie's Fill Your House for Free A house furnished with upcycled furniture. (R) (S) (HD)

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BBC4



Fleetwood Mac's Songbird: Christine McVie *9.30pm* The life and times of the singer/songwriter

7.00pm The Sound of Movie Musicals with Neil Brand
2/3. Neil picks up the story of the celluloid musical in the 1940s. The footwork of Gene Kelly brought a new exuberance to the screen in *Singin' in the Rain*, and Neil meets his widow Patricia to learn how he did it. Then the musical began to go worldwide, as Indian and Chinese film-makers drew on the form. During the 1950s and 60s, the rise of rock 'n' roll fuelled hits like *Jailhouse Rock* – and not just in Hollywood, as the Brits got in on the act with *Summer Holiday*. Concludes tomorrow 7pm. (R) (S) (HD)

8.00 Royal Institution Christmas Lectures: Secrets and Lies – the Hidden Power of Maths
***2/3.* How to Bend the Rules** Mathematician Dr Hannah Fry reveals how data-gobbling algorithms have taken over people's lives and now control almost everything they do, without them even realising. She also comes face to face with four-legged guests to put animal image recognition machines to the test. Another lecture tomorrow 8pm.
Series producer Laura Voak; Executive producer David Dugan Signed repeat 2.30am (S) (HD)
RT BOOKS To order *Hello World: How to Be Human in the Age of the Machine* by Hannah Fry, price £8.99 plus p&p, call 03302 232 639 or visit radiotimes.com/shop52

9.00 TOTP2: 80s Special
A look back at some memorable *Top of the Pops* performances from the 1980s, featuring music by Adam Ant, Bucks Fizz, Yazz and Culture Club.
Producer Sally Wood First shown on BBC2 (S)

9.30 Fleetwood Mac's Songbird: Christine McVie
One of rock music's most successful female singer/songwriters, Christine McVie joined Fleetwood Mac almost 50 years ago, going on to write hits such as *Don't Stop* and *Little Lies*. After massive success, she quit the band and went into semi-retirement in Kent, only to rejoin the group in 2014. In this film she tells both her own story and the saga of Fleetwood Mac, with contributions from Stevie Nicks, Mick Fleetwood and her ex-husband John McVie.
Director/Producer Matt O'Casey (R) (S) (HD)

11.00 Fleetwood Mac: a Musical History
In this celebration of their music, Edith Bowman tells Fleetwood Mac's story, while KT Tunstall, Fran Healy, Toyah Willcox, Sian Pattenden and Emma Dabiri offer their own tributes.
Director/Series producer Siobhan Logue (R) (S) (HD)

12 midnight Fleetwood Mac: Don't Stop
Documentary looking back over the rock band's long career. (R) (S) (AD)
1.00am TOTP2 Christmas 2017
Compilation of festive hits. (R) (S) (HD)
2.30–3.30am Royal Institution Christmas Lectures Shown 8pm (S) (SL)

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Regional variations

BBC1 SCOTLAND
8.30–9.30pm River City: Kim is determined to give Isobel the perfect Christmas Day **11.00** A Question of Sport at 50 **12 midnight** Sportscene: action from the Boxing Day Premiership fixtures **1.00am** Fleabag: a familiar face makes a reappearance at the café **1.25** Weather for the Week Ahead **1.30–6.00** BBC News

BBC SCOTLAND
As BBC2 until:
7.00pm Sportscene **8.00** Paramedics on Scene **9.00** The Nine **10.00** The Best of Breaking the News **10.30** The State of It **11.00–12 midnight** Ed Byrne: Spoiler Alert

STV
12.30am Meet the Parents: Holly Willoughby hosts **3.00** Who's Doing the Dishes?: with Charlotte Hawkins **2.10–6.00** Nightscreen

BBC1 WALES
8.30pm Our Food, Our Family with Michela Chiappa: three generations of Welsh-Norwegians at the heart of their community in Gower **9.00** A Question of Sport at 50 **10.00–10.30** Welsh Sports Review of the Year: Nathan Blake presents a look back at a memorable year in Welsh sport **11.00** Elis James: Funny Nation: the history of Welsh comedy, radio, film and TV output **11.30** Have I Got 2019 News for You **12 midnight FILM:** Ant-Man **1.50–6.00** BBC News

BBC1 NORTHERN IRELAND
10.00–10.30pm Give My Head Peace: Uncle Andy invites a dying Catholic priest back to his house to spend his last Christmas. Has he finally changed his sectarian ways?

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FRIDAY Freeview

Television Friday

FIRST WEEK

Channel 5 5



The World's Most Expensive Cruise Ship *8.00pm* The *Seven Seas Explorer*

Freeview 5 **Freesat** 105 **Sky** 105 **Virgin** 105
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6.00am Milkshake! See page 175

9.00 Bean ★★★★ Comedy starring Rowan Atkinson. The governors of the National Gallery send Mr Bean to represent them at the unveiling of the Grierson Gallery's new purchase. Director Mel Smith (1997, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

10.35 Friends Joey plays Cupid. (S) (HD)

11.05 Joey has a draining audition. (S) (HD)

11.35 ***New.*** **Neighbours** Rptd 6.30pm (S) (AD) (HD)

12.05pm Father of the Bride Part 2 ★★ Comedy starring Steve Martin and Diane Keaton. George Banks is plunged into a midlife crisis by the news that he is soon to become a grandfather. Then his wife Nina announces that she, too, is pregnant. Director Charles Shyer (1995, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

2.20 Sister Act ★★★★ Comedy starring Whoopi Goldberg. After seeing her gangster boyfriend murder an informant, Deloris Van Cartier agrees to testify against him and is sent to hide in a convent where she has trouble adapting to the nuns' way of life. Director Emile Ardolino (1992, PG) (S) (W) (HD) Also showing Sunday 22 December 3pm

4.25pm Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit ★★★ Musical comedy. Las Vegas singer Deloris Van Cartier is persuaded once again to don the habit and help some of her nun friends save their run-down school from closure.

Deloris Van Cartier/Sister Mary Clarence	**Whoopi Goldberg**
Mother Superior	**Maggie Smith**
Sister Mary Patrick	**Kathy Najimy**
Father Maurice	**Barnard Hughes**
Sister Mary Lazarus	**Mary Wickes**

Director Bill Duke (1993, PG) (S) (W) (HD) Also showing New Year's Eve 12.40pm

6.30 Neighbours
Amy is forced to make a hard decision. Shown 11.35am (S) (AD) (HD)

7.00 ***New.*** **World's Strongest Man**
Action from heat one of the showpiece strongman event in Bradenton, Florida. Repeated New Year's Day 10.15am 5 Star (S) (HD)
Followed by **5 News Update** (S) (HD)

8.00 ***New.*** **The World's Most Expensive Cruise Ship**
Temperatures soar as floating six-star hotel the *Seven Seas Explorer* sails past Miami and Mexico, but cruise director John still has to don his Santa suit.
Exec producers Will Smith and George Waldrum; Series director Oliver Price Rptd Friday 12.15pm (S) (HD)
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9.30 ***New.*** **Most Shocking Celebrity Moments**
Candid camera shots and humorous outtakes, as celebrities get themselves into all kinds of surprising scrapes. Repeated New Year's Day 10.55pm (S) (HD)

12.25am Gemma Collins: in Therapy (S) (HD) **1.10** ***New.*** Casino (S) (HD) **3.10 FILM** Bulletproof Monk ★ Fantasy action adventure starring Chow Yun-Fat. English, Tibetan +subtitles. (2002, 12) (W) (HD) **4.50** Jane and Friends (S) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** House Doctor (S) (HD)

+1 **Freeview** 44 **Freesat** 128 **Sky** 205 **Virgin** 155

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ITV2 6



Rogue One *8.00pm* Jyn Erso (Felicity Jones) tries to thwart the Empire

F'view 6 **F'sat** 113 **Sky** 118 **Virgin** 115 **HD** **Virgin** 176

6.00am The Planet's Funniest Animals (S) **6.20** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **6.45** You've Been Framed! Gold (S) **7.10** Emmerdale (S) (HD) **8.00** Coronation Street (S) (AD) (HD) **8.25** I'm a Celebrity...Get Me Out of Here! Coming Out (HD) **9.25** Totally You've Been Framed! Gold (S) (HD) **10.30 FILM** SPYkids ★★★★ Fantasy action adventure (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.20pm Emmerdale Shown yesterday 7pm ITV (S) (HD) **1.25** Coronation Street Shown yesterday 8pm ITV (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00 FILM** Looney Tunes: Back in Action ★★ Part-animated fantasy adventure (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **3.45 FILM** Space Jam ★★★ Part-animated fantasy comedy (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **5.30 FILM** The Lost World: Jurassic Park ★★★ Sci-fi adventure (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

8.00pm Rogue One ★★★★
Sci-fi action adventure. Years after scientist Galen Erso was forced to design the Death Star, his daughter Jyn leads a band of rebels on a mission to steal the blueprints. **Review page 86.**

Jyn Erso	**Felicity Jones**
Captain Cassian Andor	**Diego Luna**
Director Orson Krennic	**Ben Mendelsohn**
Chirrut Imwe	**Donnie Yen**
Galen Erso	**Mads Mikkelsen**

Director Gareth Edwards (2016, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

10.40 Family Guy
Series 15. Brian enlists Stewie to help him get his driving licence back. (S) (AD) (HD)
11.10 *Series 7.* Brian opens a bar. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.40 American Dad!
Series 11. Stan makes a wish to become single – which comes true. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.10am *Series 12.* Roger embarks on a journey of self-discovery. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.35 The Cleveland Show (S) (AD) (HD) **1.05** Plebs (S) (AD) (HD) **2.05 FILM** Unfriended ★★★ Horror (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **3.40** Educating Joey Essex: the American Reem (S) (HD) **4.30** BGT: Top Ten Comedy Corkers (S) (HD) **5.20** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **5.45–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITV2+1 **Freeview** 27 **Freesat** 114 **Sky** 218 **Virgin** 116

ITV4 24

F'view 24 **F'sat** 117 **Sky** 120 **Virgin** 118 **HD** **Virgin** 178

6.00am Snooker v Darts (S) (HD) **6.05** The Protectors (S) (SL) **6.30** The Saint (S) **7.20** Kojak (S) (HD) **8.20** Quincy (S) (HD) **9.25** Minder (S) (AD) **10.30** The Sweeney (S) **11.35** The Professionals (S) (AD)

12.45pm LIVE Racing: action from Kempton Park and Chepstow (S) (HD) **3.30** Columbo: Strange Bedfellows (S) (AD) (HD) **5.30** The Professionals (S) (AD)

6.35pm Merry Christmas Mr Bean An unfortunate experience with dinner. (AD) (HD)

7.10 FILM Police Academy 3: Back in Training ★★ Comedy starring Steve Guttenberg. Two academies battle for survival. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

9.00 An Audience with Billy Connolly The comedian entertains a celebrity crowd. (S)

10.05 FILM The Blues Brothers ★★★★ Musical comedy starring John Belushi and Dan Aykroyd. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.50am Bad Move: Festive Cheer (S) (AD) (HD) **1.15** The Professionals (S) (SL) (AD) **2.20** Speed Freaks (S) (HD) **3.15** The Americans (S) (AD) (HD) **4.10** Nightscreen (HD) **4.20** Minder (S) (SL) (AD) **5.10–6.00am** The Sweeney (S) (SL)

ITV4 +1 **Freesat** 154 **Sky** 220 **Virgin** 175

ITV3 10



Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory *3.40pm* He has a golden ticket

F'view 10 **F'sat** 115 **Sky** 119 **Virgin** 117 **HD** **Virgin** 177

6.00am The Royal (S) (AD) (HD) **6.50** George & Mildred (S) **7.50 FILM** Carry On: Don't Lose Your Head ★★★★ Comedy (S) (AD) (W) **9.35 RT CHOICE** Goodbye Mr Chips: timeless drama starring Martin Clunes. **See page 168** (S) (AD) **11.40 FILM** The Wizard of Oz ★★★★★ Classic musical fantasy starring Judy Garland **Review p92** (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **1.40pm FILM** Rising Damp ★★ Comedy (W) **3.40 FILM** Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory ★★★★ Fantasy starring Gene Wilder. A boy wins the chance to visit a giant chocolate factory (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

5.45pm Agatha Christie's Poirot
One, Two, Buckle My Shoe. When the sleuth's dentist is found dead just minutes after he leaves his surgery, Chief Inspector Japp believes it to be suicide – but Poirot has reason to think otherwise and embarks on his own investigation. Christopher Eccleston guest-stars. (S) (HD)

8.00 Les Dawson Forever
1/2. Martin Clunes narrates this celebration of the Manchester-born comedy star, featuring contributions by his former comedy partner Roy Barraclough and friend Rick Wakeman.
9.00 *2/2.* Family and friends reminisce about the comedian, including Les's widow Tracy and dance troupe the Roly Polys, who recall working with him.

10.00 Vera
2/4 Series 7. **Dark Angel.** DCI Vera Stanhope must delve into Newcastle's drug underworld to discover the identity of a murder victim found in the river. The dead man had ties to some very dangerous people, and a witness's testimony links the case to a remote farm where a murder took place 13 years previously – a crime that DC Kenny Lockhart investigated. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.05am A Touch of Frost (S) (SL) **2.05** Inspector Morse: double bill (S) (HD) **5.50–6.00am** Nightscreen

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F'view 26 **F'sat** 118 **Sky** 131 **Virgin** 119 **HD** **Virgin** 179

6.00am Bring It!: double bill (HD) **7.35** The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills (S) (HD) **8.30** Income Property (S) (HD) **9.00** LittleBe (HD)

12 noon Cake Wars (S) (HD) **12.55pm** Dinner Date: Love at First Bite (S) (HD) **1.55** Celebrity Dinner Date: five editions (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm Celebrity Dinner Date *The Only Way Is Essex* star Chloe Meadows takes part in the matchmaking show in which contestants choose three blind dates based on menus.
7.00 Featuring So Solid Crew rapper and reality TV star Romeo Dunn.
8.00 Amber Davies chooses three men to date based on their menus. (S) (AD) (HD)
9.00 Botched Former model Dee Stein has her failing saline implants removed.
10.00 A cosplayer meets with surgeons, hoping to make her body more comical.
11.00 Surgeon Terry Dubrow helps a woman who has problems with her breasts. (S) (AD) (HD)
12 midnight Mob Wives: the Last Stand: double bill (S) (HD) **1.45am** Vanderpump Rules: double bill (S) (HD) **3.20** Bachelor in Paradise: triple bill (HD) **5.30–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITVBe +1 **Freesat** 119 **Sky** 231 **Virgin** 120

Drama 20



The White Princess *12.50am*
Lizzie faces an impossible choice

Freeview 20 **Freesat** 158 **Sky** 143 **Virgin** 130

7.10am Birds of a Feather **7.40** Soldier Soldier (S) **9.40** Classic Holby City **10.40** The Bill (S) **12.40pm** Classic EastEnders **2.00** Call the Midwife: four episodes (S) (AD) (HD)

7.20pm As Time Goes By
Lionel craves nothing more than some peace and quiet and a custard tart, so how exactly does he end up in hospital with Patrick, Jean and Stephen? (S)

8.00 Father Brown
7/15 *Series 3.* **The Kembleford Boggart**
When the father of a writer is found dead, tensions mount against the local travellers, and the priest races to find out who committed the murder before one of them is wrongly sent to the gallows. (S) (AD) (HD)

Aggie	**Polly Hemingway**
Father Brown	**Mark Williams**
Mrs McCarthy	**Sorcha Cusack**
Jeremiah Moxley	**Simon Williams**
Alfons	**Philip McGinley**

9.00 Death in Paradise
7/8 *Series 5.* **The Blood Red Sea**
A marine salvage team celebrates after finding a valuable hoard of historic silver, but the joy comes to an abrupt end when the team's captain is found stabbed to death on a beach. (S) (AD) (HD)

DI Humphrey Goodman	**Kris Marshall**
Officer Dwayne Myers	**Danny John-Jules**
DS Florence Cassell	**Joséphine Jobert**
Officer JP Hooper	**Tobi Bakare**
Tosh Walker	**Lorcan Cranitch**

10.20 Silent Witness
2/5 *Series 20.* **Discovery.** A schoolteacher disappears and investigating officer DCI Andy Steemson asks Nikki and Jack to examine evidence found at the house, including traces of blood, bike tracks and a charred cake in the oven. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.50am The White Princess: in the penultimate episode of the period drama, a new rift is created in Lizzie and King Henry's marriage. Jodie Comer stars (S) (AD) (HD) **2.15–4.00am** The Heart Guy (HD)

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F'view 19 **F'sat** 157 **Sky** 111 **Virgin** 127 **HD** **Virgin** 227 **BT** 387

7.10am Modern Wheels or Classic Steals (S) (HD) **7.35** Soapbox Race (HD) **8.30** Eddie Eats America (S) (HD) **9.25** Top Gear (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Top Gear USA Special (S) (AD)

12 noon Top Gear: double bill (S) (AD) (HD) **2.20pm** Top Gear: Top Fails: double bill (AD) **4.20** Top Gear Bolivia Special (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm Soapbox Race An extreme downhill battle in Cincinnati. (HD)

7.00 World's Most Dangerous Roads
A high-altitude road trip in Bolivia. (S) (HD)

8.00 QI Ed Byrne, Rhod Gilbert, Sindhu Vee and regular Alan Davies delve into pathology with host Sandi Toksvig. (HD)

9.00 FILM Stand by Me ★★★★★
Coming-of-age drama, based on a story by Stephen King, starring Wil Wheaton and River Phoenix. A writer looks back on his childhood in late-1950s Oregon. (W) (HD)

11.00 Taskmaster ***3/5*** *Series 3.* Greg Davies sets a challenge involving an egg cup. (S) (HD)

12 midnight Have I Got a Bit More Old News for You (S) (HD) **1.00am** QI (HD) **2.00** Would I Lie to You? (S) (HD) **3.20–4.00am** Mock the Week (S) (HD)

Dave Ja Vu **Freeview** 79 **Sky** 211 **Virgin** 131

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Sicario *9.00pm* Reggie and Kate go after a ruthless drugs gang in Mexico

F'view 18 F'sat 124 Sky 136 Virgin 147 HD Virgin 195

8.55am Food Unwrapped (S) (AD) (HD) **9.35** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun (S) (HD) **10.30 FILM** Cocoon ★★★★ Sci-fi fantasy (S) (HD) **12.45pm** Four in a Bed (S) (HD) **3.20** Come Dine with Me (S) (HD)

6.05pm The Supervet at Christmas Noel makes a surprise visit home. (S) (AD) (HD)

7.05 Sink the Bismarck! ★★★★ Second World War naval drama starring Kenneth More. The success of a mission to destroy a German battleship becomes imperative when the vessel moves into the north Atlantic war zone. Director Lewis Gilbert (1960, U) (BW) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

9.00 Sicario ★★★★★ Crime thriller starring Emily Blunt. With the war between Mexican drug cartels and the American authorities becoming increasingly vicious, FBI agent Kate Macer is sent to join an operation to bring down one of the more ruthless gangs. Director Denis Villeneuve (2015, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.20 24 Hours in A&E A man is run over by a digger. (S) (AD) (HD) **12.25am** A fall through a skylight. (S) (AD) (HD) **1.30** Eight out of Ten Cats Does Countdown (S) (HD) **2.30–3.40am *New.*** Animal Airport (S) (HD)

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F'view 13 F'sat 122 Sky 135 Virgin 106 HD Virgin 145

6.00am Hollyoaks Shown last Fri/Mon 23 Dec C4 (AD) **7.30** We're Going on a Bear Hunt (AD) **8.00** Rude(ish) Tube **8.15** How I Met Your Mother (AD) **9.10** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **10.10 FILM** The Book of Life ★★★★ **Review page 92** Also showing New Year's Day 12.40pm (W) **12 noon** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **1.00pm** The Goldbergs (AD) **2.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine (AD) **3.00** The Big Bang Theory (AD)

6.00pm *New.* The Big Bang's Biggest Bangs The show's funniest and nerdiest moments. (AD) **6.30 The Tiger Who Came to Tea** Animated version of Judith Kerr's tale. **See choice, p130.** Shown Christmas Eve 7.30pm C4 (AD) **7.00 *New.* Hollyoaks** The villagers celebrate New Year. Cast pp171/241 Rptd Mon 30 Dec C4 (AD) **8.00 FILM Bend It like Beckham ★★★** Comedy drama starring Parminder Nagra. **10.10 Naked Attraction** (AD) **11.15 Rick and Morty *3/11*** *Series 1.* (AD) **11.45 *New.* Momma Named Me Sheriff** (AD) **12.15am *New.*** Robot Chicken: Robot Chicken joins Santa (AD) **12.35** Robot Chicken Born Again Virgin (AD) **12.50 *New.*** Robot Chicken (AD) **1.05** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **2.30** The Inbetweeners (SL) (AD) **3.25** Gogglebox (SL) (AD) **4.20–6.00am *New.*** School of Rock First shown on Nickelodeon

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F'view 47 F'sat 127 Sky 137 Virgin 143 HD F'view 110

9.00am Come Dine with Me **2.30pm** The Snowman and the Snowdog (AD) **3.00 FAMILY CHOICE:** The Tiger Who Came to Tea (AD) **3.30 FILM** Paddington ★★★★ **Review p72 5.15 FILM** Madagascar ★★★ Animated comedy adventure **7.00pm** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **8.00** The Secret World of Toys at Christmas (AD) **9.00** Eight out of Ten Cats Does Countdown **10.00** Big Fat Quiz of the Year: with Richard Ayoade, Noel Fielding, Roisin Conaty, Maya Jama and Dara O Briain **See choice, p159** Shown yesterday 9pm C4 **12.05am** Guy Martin's Great Escape **2.10** George Clarke's Amazing Spaces (AD) **3.10** First Dates at Christmas (AD) **4.15–4.45am** Frasier (AD)

Paramount Network 54



Pride & Prejudice *9.00pm* Will Elizabeth find love with Mr Darcy?

F'view 54 F'sat 132 Sky 153 Virgin 188 HD Virgin 187

9.00am The Office US: double bill (HD) **9.55** Now That's Funny!: double bill (S) (HD) **12 noon FILM** Rocky Mountain Christmas ★★ Romance (HD) **1.50pm FILM** Christmas at Graceland ★★ Drama (HD) **3.35 FILM** A Christmas Village ★★ Comedy (HD) **5.20 FILM** Hometown Christmas ★★ Romance (HD)

7.10pm House *11/24* *Series 5.* The doctor treats a girl who collapsed at a Christmas pageant. (HD) **8.05** *12/24.* The team treats a man who suffers constant pain. (HD)

9.00 Pride & Prejudice ★★★★ Period romantic drama based on Jane Austen's novel, with Keira Knightley in her Oscar-nominated role as waspish heroine Elizabeth Bennet. Director Joe Wright (2005, U) (HD)

11.30 The Bridges of Madison County ★★★★ Romantic drama starring Clint Eastwood. A woman's children begin to understand her last request of having her ashes scattered from a bridge, when they read in her diary about a love affair. Director Clint Eastwood (1995, 12) (HD)

2.10am Suits (S) (HD) **4.35** The Office US (S) (HD) **5.00** Neighbours (S) (AD) (HD) **5.30** Access (S) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** The Office US (HD)

Pick 11

Freeview 11 Freesat 144 Sky 152 Virgin 165

7.00am Caught Red Handed: triple bill **9.00** Road Wars **1.00pm** Caught on Dashcam (AD) **7.00** The Chase Celebrity Special: with Andrea McLean, Robbie Savage, Jessica Taylor and Rory McGrath **8.00** The Chase Celebrity Special: with Vic Reeves, Jenni Falconer, Michael Buerk and Francine Lewis **9.00** Micky Flanagan: Back in the Game: the cockney comic's sell-out 2013 tour played to more than half a million people across the UK and Ireland. Here he performs to his home crowd at London's Hackney Empire, charming his audience with tales of middle age, marriage and a man's prerogative **11.00** The Force: North East **4.00am** Road Wars **5.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol

Pick +1 Freeview 92 Freesat 145 Sky 252

Sony Channel 48

Freeview 48 *(limited)* Freesat 142 Sky 157 Virgin 189

6.00am The Waltons **7.00** Murder, She Wrote **11.00** Hart to Hart **3.00pm** Starsky & Hutch: the duo pose as recreation officers aboard an ocean liner filled with crime bosses **4.00** TJ Hooker: armed robbers abandon a baby **5.00** M*A*S*H **9.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? **12 midnight** M*A*S*H **2.00am** Hart to Hart **3.00** M*A*S*H **3.30** The Waltons **4.20** Touched by an Angel **5.10–6.00am** Highway to Heaven

Sony Channel +1 Freesat 152 Sky 257

Horror Channel 70

Freeview 70 Freesat 138 Sky 317 Virgin 149

8.00am seaQuest DSV **9.00** Star Trek: Voyager **10.00** Star Trek **11.00** Journey to the Center of the Earth **2.50pm** Highlights **3.00** Sliders **4.00 FILM** Primal Force ★ Sci-fi horror **5.50** Highlights **6.00pm** Star Trek **7.00** Star Trek: Voyager **8.00** Mutant X **9.00 FILM** Psycho II ★★★ Horror thriller starring Anthony Perkins **11.10 FILM** Ultraviolet ★★ Sci-fi action thriller starring Milla Jovovich, Cameron Bright and Nick Chinlund. English, Vietnamese +subtitles. **12.55am FILM** The Disappearance of Alice Creed ★★★ Thriller **2.50–4.30am FILM** Demonic ★★★ Supernatural horror

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Freeview 21 Freesat 129 Sky 141 Virgin 153

9.00am Access **9.10** CSI: NY (S) **10.50** Murder, She Wrote (S) **12.55pm** Columbo: the Conspirators (S) **3.00** Columbo: Make Me a Perfect Murder (S) **5.05** Columbo: Murder, Smoke and Shadows (S) (AD) **7.05pm** NCIS *Series 14.* Double bill. Abby knits everyone "gifts", then Bishop and McGee hope to sublet Tony's apartment (S) **9.00 *New*** Private Eyes *Series 2.* Angie and Shade are hired to track down a soldier First shown on Universal TV (S) **10.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit: triple bill (S) **12.50am** CSI: Miami (S) (AD) **1.50** Longmire (S) **3.20** Criminals: Caught on Camera **3.50–4.00am** Access

5 USA +1 F'view 57 (not 2-4am) F'sat 130 Sky 241 Virgin 185

5 Star 30

Freeview 30 Freesat 131 Sky 128 Virgin 151

8.00am Access **8.10** 3rd Rock from the Sun **8.35** Neighbours **9.55** World's Strongest Man **12.50pm FILM** Alvin and the Chipmunks ★★ Part-animated comedy adventure (S) **2.45 FILM** The Spy Next Door ★★★ Action comedy starring Jackie Chan (S) **4.40 FILM** Wild Wild West ★★ Western adventure based on the 1960s TV series, starring Will Smith and Kevin Kline (S) **6.45pm FILM** Dumb and Dumber ★★★★ Comedy with Jim Carrey and Jeff Daniels playing two of the world's stupidest people, who set off on a chaotic road trip (S) **9.00 FILM** Bridget Jones's Baby ★★★★ Romantic comedy starring Renée Zellweger and Colin Firth (S) **11.30** Impact Wrestling **1.25am** Wentworth Prison: double bill **3.35–4.00am** Two and a Half Men

5 Star +1 Freeview 56 Sky 228 Virgin 186

5 Spike 31

Freeview 31 Freesat 141 Sky 150 Virgin 154

9.00am Criminals: Caught on Camera (HD) **9.25** The A-Team (AD) (HD) **10.25 FILM** The Battle of the V1 ★★ Second World War drama (BW) **12.40pm** The A-Team (AD) (HD) **5.45 FILM** The Bridge on the River Kwai ★★★★★ Classic Second World War epic, in which PoWs are forced by their Japanese captors to build a railway bridge. **Review p92** (HD) **9.00 FILM** Battle of Britain ★★★★ Second World War epic (HD) **11.40 FILM** Flags of Our Fathers ★★★ War drama (HD) **2.15am** Criminals: Caught on Camera (HD) **2.45–3.00am** Access (HD)

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9.00am Yum! Yum! Britain's Favourite Chocolate (S) **11.00** Chocolate Dreams: inside Hotel Chocolat (S) **1.00pm** RT **CHOICE *New series.*** 101 Events That Made the 20th Century: moments such as the death of Princess Diana, the *Titanic* disaster and Watergate. **See page 168** (S) **9.00** The Kennedy Killing: the CIA Conspiracy (S) **10.00** 9/11: a Twin Towers Conspiracy (S) **11.00** Our Royal Conspiracy: Nazi King (S) **12 midnight** Hitler's Death: a Secret Conspiracy (S) **1.00am** Conspiracy: Faking the Moon Landings (S) **2.00** Conspiracy: the Cold War Files (S) **3.00** CSI: Miami **3.45–4.00am** Access (S)

CBS Justice 39

Freeview 39 Freesat 137 Sky 148 Virgin 192

9.00am Diagnosis Murder **11.00** Matlock **12 noon** Perry Mason **1.05pm** Walker, Texas Ranger **2.05** CSI: Miami **3.00** NCIS **5.00** Matlock **6.00** Perry Mason **7.05** NCIS **8.00** Walker, Texas Ranger: the community is terrorised by white supremacists **9.00** CSI: NY **10.00** NCIS **12 midnight** CSI: Miami **1.00am** CSI: NY **2.00** Gunsmoke **3.05** Bonanza **4.50–6.00am** Mission: Impossible

CBS Drama 71

Freeview 71 Freesat 134 Sky 147 Virgin 197

9.00am Medium **10.00** ER **11.00** The Love Boat **12 noon** Judge Judy **1.00pm** Bonanza **3.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **4.00** Unsolved Mysteries **6.00pm** The Love Boat **7.00** JAG **8.00** Judge Judy **9.00** Medium: the hunt for the serial killer goes on **10.00** CSI: Miami **11.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **12 midnight** Judge Judy **1.00am** ER **2.00** Medium **3.00** CSI: Miami **4.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **5.00–6.00am** Unsolved Mysteries

Listings for **PBS America**, **Smithsonian** see over. **Film4** and other **Freeview movie** channels: **p176**

Yesterday 25

Freeview 25 Freesat 159 Sky 155 Virgin 129

6.00am WW2 Price of Empire (S) (HD) **8.00** The World at War (S) (HD) **11.00** Frozen Planet (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00pm** Underground Worlds: a labyrinth of tunnels underneath a tiny French village (S) (HD) **8.00** Abandoned Engineering: an elaborate underground complex in Italy that had been abandoned for nearly 2,000 years (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Bangers and Cash: Mathewsons agree to sell a threshing machine and large collection of tractors (S) (HD) **10.00** Train Truckers: Kevin Norris and Kieran Chisnall move three trains (S) (HD) **11.00** Steam Train Britain (S) (AD) (HD) **12 midnight** War Factories (S) (HD) **1.00–3.00am** World's Greatest Palaces (S) (AD) (HD)

Yesterday +1 Sky 255 Virgin 200

Really 17

Freeview 17 Freesat 160 Sky 142 Virgin 128

6.00am Homes under the Hammer (HD) **7.00** Home Shopping **8.00** Helicopter ER (HD) **7.00pm** Antiques Road Trip: double bill. Anita Manning and James Lewis travel through Devon, then the duo visit Dorchester (HD) **9.00** Helicopter ER: paramedics Daz and Pete help a biker who has come off his vehicle in the Dales (HD) **10.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad (HD) **11.00** Ghost Adventures: Hauntings of Vicksburg: dangerous paranormal activity at two abandoned locations in Vicksburg, Mississippi (HD) **12 midnight** Unexplained: Caught on Camera (HD) **1.00am** Help! My House Is Haunted (HD) **2.00** Home Shopping **4.00–6.00am** Antiques Road Trip (HD)

Home 42

Freeview 42 Freesat 166 Sky 158 Virgin 279

7.00am Bargain Hunt (HD) **6.00pm** Bargain Hunt: six editions. Two teams select antiques for auction in Newark, Nottinghamshire with Richard Madley and Catherine Southon **7.00** Charlie Ross and Charles Hanson lead two teams competing at an antiques fair in Ardingly **8.00** Two teams vie at the world famous Portobello Road market in London with Jonathan Pratt and Kate Bliss **9.00** From Kingston upon Thames, south-west London **10.00** Two teams select antiques for auction in Newark, Nottinghamshire **11.00** Two teams compete at Ardingly Antiques Fair in West Sussex (HD) **12 midnight–4.00am** Bargain Hunt (HD)

Home +1 Sky 258 Virgin 283

Quest 12

F'view 12 F'sat 172 Sky 144 Virgin 169 HD F'view 114 F'sat 167

6.00am Extreme Rides (HD) **7.00** EFL (HD) **9.00** Nasa's Unexplained Files (HD) **2.00pm** UFOs: the Lost Evidence (HD) **8.00** Are We Alone?: scientists compare the extreme environments of distant worlds with those found in remote areas of Earth, in the hope of gaining new insights in the search for extraterrestrial life **10.00** Alien Encounters: fearing the diminishment of its power, the US launches an attack on the quantum computer (AD) (HD) **11.00 *New.*** The Strangest UFO Stories of All Time: double bill. A look at whether the atomic bomb alerted extra-terrestrial governments to Earth, then something hungry for blood in the jungles of Latin America **1.00am** Chasing Classic Cars (HD) **2.00** Wheels That Fail (HD) **3.00** Destroyed in Seconds **4.00** Swamp Loggers (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Overhaulin'

Quest +1 F'view 76 (7pm-4am) F'sat 168 Sky 244 Virgin 213

Challenge 46

Freeview 46 Freesat 146 Sky 151 Virgin 164

7.00am Family Fortunes **12 noon** All Star Family Fortunes: hosted by Vernon Kay **6.00pm** TV's Greatest Gameshows: Roy Walker is joined by celebs and past competitors to explore what makes game shows great **8.00** You Can't Beat a Bit of Bully **9.00** The Chase **10.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? (AD) **12 midnight** Bullseye **4.30–6.00am** Winter Wipeout

Challenge +1 Freesat 147 Sky 251 Virgin 230

BBC Parliament 232

Freeview 232 Freesat 201 Sky 504 Virgin 605

6.00am Highlights **6.10** Mayor's Question Time **7.10** BOOKtalk **7.25** Prime Properties **7.35** Lectures **8.05** Highlights **9.05** BOOKtalk **9.20** Reflections **9.50** Highlights **10.50** BOOKtalk **11.05** Lectures **11.35** European Parliament **12.35pm** Properties **12.45** Political Studies Awards **1.10** Reflections **1.40** BOOKtalk **1.55** Scottish FMQs **2.40** Bercow Bows Out **3.10** Lectures **3.40** Highlights **4.40** BOOKtalk **4.55** Properties **5.05** Reflections **5.35** Highlights **6.35** Booktalk **6.50** Lectures **7.20** Welsh FMQs **8.20** BOOKtalk **8.35** Reflections **9.05** Highlights **10.05** BOOKtalk **10.20** Lectures **10.50** Highlights: **11.50** BOOKtalk **12.05–6.00am** Highlights



FRIDAY Satellite & cable



Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs *1.00pm* Food crisis

Sky 1

Sky 106 **Virgin** 110 **HD** **Virgin** 109

6.00am Futurama (S) (AD) (HD) **6.30** Modern Family (S) (HD) **8.00** Terry Pratchett's The Colour of Magic (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** Cricket's Funniest Moments (S) (HD) **1.00pm FILM** Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs ★★★★ Animated comedy featuring the voices of Bill Hader and Anna Faris (W) (HD) **3.00** The Simpsons: four back-to-back episodes (S) (HD)

5.00pm TV's Greatest Gameshows Roy Walker is joined by celebs and past competitors to explore what makes game shows great, including the biggest winners, unluckiest losers and most memorable tantrums. (HD)

7.00 LIVE World Darts Coverage of the second session of day 12 at Alexandra Palace in London, featuring one third-round match and two fourth-round matches. (HD)

11.00 Bee Gees: One Night Only Barry, Robin and Maurice Gibb perform some of their greatest hits, such as *Jive Talkin'*, *How Deep Is Your Love* and *Stayin' Alive*, in a concert at the MGM Grand, Las Vegas, in 1997. (S)

1.10am Take That: Odyssey – Greatest Hits Live (HD) **2.25** Road Wars: triple bill (S) (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Snake Boss (S) (HD)

Sky 1 +1 **Sky** 206

Sky Arts

Sky 122 **Virgin** 123 **HD** **Virgin** 156

6.00am The Drawings of Yves Saint Laurent (S) (HD) **6.55** Fabergé: a Life of Its Own (S) (HD) **8.20** Hamilton: One Shot to Broadway (HD) **9.45** The Phantom of the Opera at the Royal Albert Hall (HD) **12.30pm** Mystery of the Lost Paintings (S) (AD) (HD) **1.30** The Music of Buddy Holly and the Crickets (S) (AD) **3.30** Classic Albums (S) (HD)

6.00pm Classic Albums Elvis Presley's self-titled debut album. **7.00** Meat Loaf's *Bat Out of Hell*. **8.00** The conception of Queen's *A Night at the Opera*. (S)

9.00 *New.* The Decade the Music Died RT A celebration of music stars who died in the 2010s, including Aretha Franklin, Prince, Amy Winehouse, George Michael, David Bowie and Keith Flint. **See page 169.** (HD)

10.35 David Bowie: a Reality Tour The musician performs at Dublin's Point Theatre in 2003 as part of a worldwide tour in support of his *Reality* album. (S)

11.50 Oasis Live at Barrowlands A 2001 concert by the band in Glasgow, featuring performances of songs including *Go Let It Out*, *Supersonic*, *Live Forever*, *Roll with It* and *Cigarettes & Alcohol*. (S)

1.05am The Decade the Music Died (HD) **2.40** Video Killed the Radio Star (S) (HD) **3.10** Elvis: the Final Hours (S) (AD) (HD) **4.10** The Music Videos That Shaped the 80s (S) (HD) **5.10–6.00am** Discovering: David Bowie (S) (AD) (HD)



CSI: Crime Scene Investigation *7.00pm* Catherine is shocked

Sky Atlantic

Sky 108

6.00am Storm City (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** The Guest Wing (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** The West Wing (S) (HD) **12 noon** Without a Trace (S) (HD) **2.00pm** Blue Bloods (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** The West Wing (S) (HD)

5.00pm Without a Trace *20/24* *Series 4.* A helper at an inner-city shelter goes missing. (S) (HD) **6.00 *21/24.*** An ice dancer disappears soon after her brother dies in a car accident. (S) (HD)

7.00 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation *21/23* *Series 3* A horse trainer dies in mysterious circumstances. (S) (HD)

8.00 Blue Bloods *1/22* *Series 5* Danny and Baez come under attack as they escort confiscated drugs to be incinerated. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Game of Thrones *9/10* *Series 6.* As the Starks prepare to fight, Davos loses something dear. **10.10 *10/10.*** As Cersei awaits judgement, Walder Frey and Jaime celebrate at Riverrun. **11.30 *1/7*** *Series 7.* Jon organises the defence of the North. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.40am The Night Of (S) (AD) (HD) **2.10** Nurse Jackie (S) (HD) **3.20** Britannia (S) (HD) **4.20–6.00am** The West Wing: double bill (S) (HD)

Sky Atlantic +1 **Sky** 208

Sky Crime

Sky 121 **Virgin** 160

6.00am Motorway Patrol (S) (AD) **7.00** Customs UK **8.00** Motorbike Cops **9.00** Caught on Dashcam (S) (AD) **1.00pm** Murders That Shocked the Nation (S)

5.00pm Snapped A domestic crime is wrongly blamed on the victim's stepdaughter. (S) **6.00** The discovery of a woman's body in a roadside ditch leads to an investigation. (S)

7.00 Banged Up Abroad A man who was imprisoned in Peru. (S)

8.00 Murders That Shocked the Nation Fred Dinenage examines the case of John Christie, who murdered six women between 1943 and 1953 and hid their bodies in his house at 10 Rillington Place in Notting Hill, London. (S) (AD)

9.00 *New.* A Lie to Die For A serial arsonist is finally caught. When the flames go out, his shocking secret is revealed. (S)

10.00 How I Caught the Killer DNA profiling is used for the first time to capture a killer. (S

11.00 The Cheshire Murders A film exploring the 2007 murders of the Petit family, including interviews with the people involved in the case and those impacted by the crime. (S) (AD)

1.30am Killer in my Village: triple bill (S) (AD) **4.30** Killer Neighbours (S) **5.30–6.00am** Police Ten 7 (S)

Sky Crime +1 **Sky** 221 **Virgin** 207



Criminal Minds *9.00pm* Morgan heads to Canada

Sky Witness

Sky 107 **Virgin** 112 **HD** **Virgin** 111

6.00am Nothing to Declare (S) **8.00** Sun, Sea and A&E (S) (AD) **9.00** Paramedics (S) (HD) **2.00pm** To Catch a Smuggler: JFK Airport: five editions (S) (AD) (HD)

7.00pm Nothing to Declare Double bill following the work of customs officers in Australia. (S)

8.00 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation *19/23* *Series 10* A teenager with white supremacist and homophobic views is found murdered at his school in a flooded sewer. (S) (HD)

9.00 Criminal Minds *25/26* *Series 4.* The trail of a serial killer targeting drug addicts, prostitutes and the homeless in Detroit leads the team into Canada. (S) (HD) **10.00 *26/26.*** Horrific discoveries await the profilers as they pursue the murderer. (S) (HD)

11.00 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit *21/23* *Series 13* A man is assaulted in a hate crime that bears similarities to another attack two weeks previously. (HD)

12 midnight CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **1.00am** The InBetween (HD) **2.00** The Truth about the Harry Quebert Affair (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00–6.00am** Nothing to Declare (S) (AD)

Sky Witness +1 **Sky** 207 **Virgin** 180

Sky 2

Sky 168 **Virgin** 160

7.00am The Dog Whisperer **10.00** My Kitchen Rules: Australia (S) **12.30pm** Monkey Life (S) (AD) **1.00** Supergirl (S) **5.00** A Kylie Christmas (S) **7.00** Take That Live: Wonderland (S) **9.00** The Reluctant Landlord: Romesh announces that the pub is closing for Christmas **9.30** In the Long Run: it is Christmas on the Eastbridge Estate and Walter hosts the annual Easmon yuletide party **10.00** Trollied: the Wedding (S) (AD) **11.00** Stella: the single mum makes plans to spend Christmas with Michael (S) (AD) **12.30am** Duck Quacks Don't Echo (S) (AD) **1.30** FBI **2.30** A League of Their Own (S) (AD) **3.30** RSPCA Animal Rescue (S) **4.00–6.00am** Monkey Life (S) (AD)

Universal TV

Sky 113 **Virgin** 122 **BT** 320 **HD** **Virgin** 121 **BT** 385

8.00am Major Crimes (S) (HD) **6.00pm** Major Crimes (S) (HD) **7.00** Major Crimes: double bill. Rusty unearths an important clue and Lt Tao is trapped in a room that may contain a bomb (S) (HD) **9.00** Ransom: double bill. Eric becomes a hostage himself after negotiations for the release of a couple being held in Canada go awry, then Eric's old enemy Damian Delaine returns, threatening to brainwash Evie and turn her into a killer (S) (HD) **11.00** CSI: Miami (S) (HD) **2.00am** Private Eyes (S) (HD) **3.00** Sea Patrol (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Numb3rs (S) (AD) (HD)

Universal TV +1 **Sky** 213 **Virgin** 206



Kill Bill Vol 2 *10.00pm* Beatrix begins her training

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Sky 109 **Virgin** 125 **BT** 311 **HD** **Virgin** 211 **BT** 383

6.00am Flip or Flop (HD) **6.25** Doctor Who (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** Dynamo: Magician Impossible (S) (AD) (HD) **11.05** Outnumbered (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** Billionaire Boy (S) (HD) **1.20pm** Tipping Point: Lucky Stars (HD) **3.20 FILM** Annie ★★★ Musical with Albert Finney (W) (HD)

6.00pm Mr Stink Lonely 12-year-old Chloe invites local tramp Mr Stink to hide out in her family's garden shed. (S) (AD) (HD)

7.15 Outnumbered The Brockmans' plans for a festive holiday grind to a halt (S) (AD) (HD) **8.05** The Brockmans throw a party, but Karen is too busy chatting online. Christmas special from 2012. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.05 Inside the Ambulance at Christmas Aaron and Chris are called to a man suffering potentially life-threatening injuries after being stabbed. (S) (HD)

10.00 Kill Bill Vol 2 ★★★ The concluding part of Quentin Tarantino's bloody martial arts drama, starring Uma Thurman. English, Japanese, Mandarin +subtitles. (S) (W) (HD)

12.55am Gavin & Stacey (S) (AD) (HD) **1.25** Women on the Verge (S) (HD) **2.30–3.00am** Flip or Flop (S) (HD)

W +1 **Sky** 209 **Virgin** 190

Syfy

Sky 114 **Virgin** 138 **BT** 319 **HD** **Virgin** 137 **BT** 375

6.00am Marvel's Runaways **8.00** Home Shopping **11.00** The Librarians **12 noon FILM** Simply Irresistible ★ **2.00pm FILM** Lara Croft: Tomb Raider ★★ **4.20 FILM** Cirque du Freak: the Vampire's Assistant ★★ Fantasy horror starring John C Reilly and Chris Massoglia **6.30 FILM** Hellboy ★★★ Horror action adventure starring Ron Perlman and Selma Blair **9.00 FILM** Doom ★★ Sci-fi action horror starring Karl Urban,The Rock and Rosamund Pike **11.10 FILM** Twelve Monkeys ★★★★ Thriller **1.40am FILM** Upside Down ★★ **4.00–6.00am FILM** Independence Day-saster ★★

Syfy +1 **Sky** 214 **Virgin** 229

TLC

Sky 133 **Virgin** 167 **BT** 323 **HD** **BT** 377

6.00am Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **8.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress: the Big Day (HD) **12 noon** Dr Pimple Popper (HD) **4.00pm** The 12 Pops of Christmas (HD) **5.30** Dr Pimple Popper (HD) **7.30** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (AD) (HD) **9.00** Say Yes to the Dress: Angelica searches for the perfect strapless gown (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress: Atlanta: Bride Erin wants a "sexy vixen" dress (HD) **11.00** Dr Pimple Popper (HD) **12 midnight** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (AD) (HD) **1.00am** Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **2.00** Say Yes to the Dress: Atlanta (HD) **3.00–6.00am** Dr Pimple Popper (HD)

TLC +1 **Sky** 233 **Virgin** 172



Only Fools and Horses *5.00pm* Del plays happy families

Gold

Sky 110 **Virgin** 124 **BT** 310

7.30am A Sharp Intake of Breath **7.55** The Story of Only Fools and Horses (S) (AD) (HD) **8.55** Only Fools and Horses (S) (AD)

5.00pm Only Fools and Horses Del-Boy finds a new lady friend. **5.40** Rodney starts going out with a policewoman. **6.20** Del tries to sell two urns – but one of them contains the ashes of Trigger's late grandfather. **7.00** Del takes up cards in his latest bid to make a fortune. **7.40** Rodney finds a girlfriend, but she is old enough to be his mother. **8.20** Del decorates the local Chinese restaurant. (S) (AD)

9.00 Trust Morecambe and Wise *1/4.* Rarely seen footage featuring the immortal duo at the peak of their careers. (S) (HD) **10.00 *2/4.*** How the duo approached the themes of work and money in their comedy. (S) (HD)

11.00 Death on the Tyne Comedy mystery focusing on a trip to Amsterdam. (S) (AD) (HD)

1.00am Morgana Robinson's The Agency (S) (AD) (HD) **2.15** David Jason: Planes, Trains and Automobiles (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** Morgana Robinson's The Agency (S) (AD) (HD) **3.30–4.00am** House of Fools (S) (AD) (HD)

Gold +1 **Sky** 210 **Virgin** 194

Comedy Central

Sky 112 **Virgin** 132 **BT** 307 **HD** **Virgin** 181 **BT** 370

8.00am Most Ridiculous: Tattoos (S) (HD) **8.35** Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00 FILM** Addams Family Values ★★★★ (S) (HD) **12 noon** Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **4.30pm FILM** The Goonies ★★★ Adventure based on a story by Steven Spielberg, starring Sean Astin, Corey Feldman and Martha Plimpton (HD) **7.00** Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Michael McIntyre: Happy & Glorious (S) (HD) **10.00 FILM** The Heartbreak Kid ★★★ Romantic comedy from the Farrelly brothers **12.10am** Kevin Hart Live: Laugh at My Pain (S) (HD) **1.10** South Park (S) (HD) **4.15** Most Ridiculous: Mums and Dads (S) (HD) **4.35–5.00am** Most Ridiculous: Dogs (S) (HD)

Comedy Central +1 **Sky** 212 **Virgin** 133

Lifetime

Sky 187 **Virgin** 208 **BT** 329 **HD** **BT** 384

7.00am Judge Judy (HD) **12 noon** Little Women: Atlanta (HD) **4.00pm** Dance Moms: triple bill (HD) **7.00** Judge Judy: four editions (HD) **9.00 FILM** The Lost Wife of Robert Durst ★★★ Crime drama based on a true story, starring Katharine McPhee and Daniel Gillies. Suspicion falls on a real-estate millionaire following the disappearance of his wife (W) (HD) **10.45** The Joy of Sex Toys: double bill looking behind the scenes at Lovehoney, one of the largest online sex-toy retailers in the UK (HD) **12.45am** Storage Wars (HD) **1.40** Hardcore Pawn (HD) **2.35** Judge Judy (HD) **3.00–4.00am** Kiss, Bang, Love (HD)

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Jonathan Creek *8.20pm* DI Gideon Pryke gets involved

Alibi

Sky 132 **Virgin** 126 **BT** 312 **HD** **Virgin** 212 **BT** 382

7.10am Murdoch Mysteries (S) (HD) **9.00** Inspector George Gently (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00pm** Father Brown (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Death in Paradise: double bill (S) (AD) (HD)

6.20pm Death in Paradise *6/8 Series 5.* The team get a taste of the high-pressure world of fine dining when a renowned chef comes to a sticky end in his own restaurant. (S) (AD) (HD)
7.20 *7/8.* A marine salvage team celebrates after finding a valuable hoard of historic silver, but the joy comes to an abrupt end when the team's captain is found stabbed to death on a beach. (S) (AD) (HD)

8.20 Jonathan Creek The death of a retired illusionist has Maddy and Jonathan clutching at straws as they endeavour to reach an explanation. Christmas edition from 1998, guest starring Rik Mayall and Hannah Gordon. (S) (AD)
10.20 Feature-length Christmas special from 2001. Jonathan is called upon to explain how a killer managed to fire a gun through a plate-glass window without breaking it. (S) (AD)
12.50am Death in Paradise: a chef is stabbed to death (S) (AD) (HD)
2.05–4.00am New Tricks: double bill (S) (AD) (HD)

Alibi +1 **Sky** 232 **Virgin** 191

Discovery History

Sky 171 **Virgin** 257

6.00am Death on a Comet: the Rosetta Mission **7.00** The Dark Side of the Sun (AD) **8.00** Red Planet Rover **9.00** One Giant Leap: a Neil Armstrong Tribute **10.00** Coming Home from Space: the Challenge of Re-entry **11.00** Secret Space Escapes

7.00pm Death on a Comet: the Rosetta Mission The story of the space probe, exploring how it successfully landed on a comet and the historic discoveries that were made from its findings.

8.00 The Dark Side of the Sun Scientists have only recently begun to understand the true nature of our "local star", the Sun. This programme discusses its effect on our planet. (AD)

9.00 Red Planet Rover Man's fascination with the red planet lies in its similarities with our own earth. If evidence of previous life-forms is discovered, what ramifications will this have for humanity?

10.00 One Giant Leap: a Neil Armstrong Tribute The impact made on the world by the astronaut and his legacy to space exploration, examined through interviews and the Apollo 11 archives.

11.00 Coming Home from Space: the Challenge of Re-entry The Columbia space shuttle disaster.
12 midnight–6.00am Secret Space Escapes

Discovery History +1 **Sky** 271 **Virgin** 261



NCIS: New Orleans *7.00pm* A clinical trial is investigated

Fox

Sky 124 **Virgin** 157 **HD** **Virgin** 199

8.00am Bull (HD) **9.00** Bones (HD) **10.00** Bull (HD) **11.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** Bones (HD) **2.00pm** The Mentalist (HD) **3.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Bull (HD) **5.00** Bones (HD)

6.00pm The Mentalist *2/22 Series 5.* Jane meets a girl who claims to be his daughter. (HD)

7.00 NCIS: New Orleans *7/24 Series 4.* A clinical trial of brain implants in veterans is hacked. (HD)
8.00 *8/24.* Wade's son asks Pride for help after being attacked and discovering that his girlfriend is missing. (HD)

9.00 NCIS *11/24 Series 14* An operation to apprehend a businessman guilty of using terror to manipulate the stock market is compromised. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 American Dad! *Series 14* Roger joins a mysterious order of birds' egg thieves.
10.30 Stan discovers the Langley Falls mural has been ruined.
11.00 Stan proposes that the town should build a bullet train.
11.30 Francine asks Stan to give Steve "the talk". (HD)
12 midnight Family Guy **1.00am** American Dad! (HD) **2.00** Family Guy **3.00** Science of Stupid (HD)
4.00–5.00am Bull (HD)

Fox +1 **Sky** 224 **Virgin** 158

History

Sky 130 **Virgin** 270 **BT** 327 **HD** **BT** 379

6.00am Forged in Fire (HD) **11.00** Pirate Island **1.00pm** American Pickers (HD) **6.00** Mega Transports (HD) **9.00** How They Built Concorde: a look at how the world's first supersonic passenger airliner was developed during the 1950s and 1960s. (HD) **10.00** Concorde: From Triumph To Tragedy: by the 1980s Concorde was a striking but familiar presence in the skies, but the plane was costing British Airways millions. A new management team were given two years make it profitable (HD) **11.00** WW2 Treasure Hunters: at RAF King's Cliffe, Madness frontman Suggs and militaria expert Stephen Taylor tells the stories behind artefacts unearthed from former military sites across the UK (HD) **12 midnight** Spies of War (HD) **1.15–6.00am** American Pickers (HD)

History +1 **Sky** 230 **Virgin** 271

Animal Planet

Sky 162 **Virgin** 251 **BT** 325 **HD** **BT** 378

6.00am Dr Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet (HD) **5.00pm** The Zoo: San Diego (HD) **6.00** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **7.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (AD) **8.00** ***New.*** Pit Bulls and Parolees: when a dog with three legs isn't adopted, Amanda Giese comes to New Orleans to help (HD) **9.00** ***New.*** Amanda to the Rescue: Amanda rescues a three-legged shepherd-mix as part of a road trip rescue mission (HD) **10.00** Animal Cops Houston: animal protection officers in action (S) (HD) **11.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (S) (HD) **1.00am** Animal Cops Houston (S) (HD) **2.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (HD) **3.00** Homestead Rescue (HD) **3.50** Jeremy Wade's Dark Waters (S) (HD) **4.40** Meet the Sloths (S) (HD) **5.10–6.00am** The Zoo (S) (HD)

Animal Planet +1 **Sky** 262 **Virgin** 259



Gold Rush *8.00pm* Tony and Kevin Beets take stock

Discovery

Sky 125 **Virgin** 250 **BT** 322 **HD** **BT** 376

6.00am Kindig Customs (S) (HD) **3.00pm** Bitchin' Rides (S) (HD) **4.00** Kindig Customs (S) (HD)

6.00pm Fast 'n' Loud The guys customise a '65 Chevy Impala, while Richard and Aaron buy a '34 Five Window Ford. (S) (HD)

7.00 Outback Truckers Sludge takes a white-knuckle ride up a mountain with an angry load. (S) (HD)

8.00 Gold Rush Following the gold miners of the Yukon. (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **Ripley's Believe It or Not!** Actor Bruce Campbell reveals the story of the inventor Joseph Herscher. (S) (HD)

10.00 UFOs: the Lost Evidence Examining evidence of potential UFO inhabitation on Earth and the possibility of extra-terrestrial involvement in human scientific innovations. (S) (HD)

11.00 Return of the Great White Serial Killer Finding answers for a series of shark attacks. (S) (HD)

12 midnight Ripley's Believe It or Not! (S) (HD) **1.00am** UFOs: the Lost Evidence (S) (HD) **2.00** Deadliest Catch (S) (HD) **3.00** Ripley's Believe It or Not! (S) (HD) **3.50** Fast 'n' Loud (S) (HD) **5.30–6.00am** How It's Made (S) (HD)

Discovery +1 **Sky** 225 **Virgin** 258

Nat Geographic

Sky 129 **Virgin** 266 **BT** 317 **HD** **Virgin** 268 **BT** 373

8.00am Nazi Megastructures (HD) **9.00** WWII's Greatest Raids (HD) **10.00** WW2: Hell under the Sea (HD) **11.00** War Heroes of the Skies (HD) **12 noon** Air Crash Investigation: double bill (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00pm** Supercar Megabuild (HD) **3.00** Car SOS (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00** Atlantis: Draining the Lost City (HD) **6.00** Europe from Above (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Gordon Ramsay: Uncharted (HD) **8.00** ***New.*** Lost World of the Maya (HD) **9.00** ***New.*** Lost Empire of Easter Island (HD) **10.00** Lost Cities with Albert Lin (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Witness to Disaster (S) (HD) **12 midnight** Seconds from Disaster (S) (HD) **1.00am** Banged Up Abroad (HD) **2.00** Air Crash Investigation (HD) **3.00** Atlantis: Draining the Lost City (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Drain the Oceans (S) (AD) (HD)

Nat Geo +1 **Sky** 229 **Virgin** 267

Eden

Sky 166 **Virgin** 245 **BT** 315 **HD** **Virgin** 247 **BT** 389

9.00am Wonders of the Monsoon (HD) **6.00pm** Wonders of the Monsoon: six editions. The relationship that has developed over thousands of years between the people who live in monsoon regions and the wildlife they share them with **7.00** Millions of red crabs migrate from the forest to the coast to spawn **8.00** As monsoon rains drench the lands, from India to South East Asia, elephants, monkeys, tiny mosquitoes and humans alike must survive **9.00** The winds turn dry and bring drought **10.00** Examining the plants and animals that thrive in monsoon areas **11.00** As 6pm (HD) **12 midnight** Wonders of the Monsoon (HD) **4.40am** Frontier Borneo (HD) **5.30–6.00am** Jungle Planet (HD)

Eden +1 **Sky** 266 **Virgin** 246



Bonnie and Clyde *8.40pm* The story of the criminal couple

PBS America 91

F'view (HD only) 91 **F'sat** 155 **Sky** 174 **Virgin** 273

8.00am Bonnie & Clyde **9.15** The Feud **10.30** Wyatt Earp **11.50** Jesse James **1.00pm** The Aviators **1.35** Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid **2.45** Bonnie & Clyde **3.55** The Feud **5.10** Wyatt Earp

6.20pm Jesse James The true story of the infamous outlaw, questioning his reputation as the Robin Hood of the Wild West given his often overlooked history of killing unarmed victims.

7.30 Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid Documentary about the 1890s Wild West duo who robbed trains and banks.

8.40 Bonnie and Clyde The story **RT** of Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow, who became the most famous criminal couple in American history, but had little in common with their glamorous media images. **See page 168.**

9.55 The Wild West The myths surrounding the death of Lieutenant Colonel George Custer at the Battle of Little Bighorn are explored.
11.00 Investigating the legend of Billy the Kid, the gunfighter who had already killed six men by the time he died at the age of 21.
12.15am The Wild West
1.25–2.00am The Aviators

PBS +1 **Freeview** 93 (HD only)

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F'view (HD only) 99 **F'sat** 175 **Sky** 195 **Virgin** 276

6.00am Ultimate Warships (HD) **10.00** Air Warriors (HD) **11.00** Memphis Belle in Colour (HD) **12 noon** America's Civil War 360 (HD) **3.00pm** Battle of Okinawa in Colour: the last great battle of the Pacific War (HD) **4.00** Rise of Tokyo in Colour: the Japanese capital's transformation **5.00** Air Warriors: the P-38 Lightning (HD) **7.00** Memphis Belle in Colour (HD) **8.00** ***New.*** Aerial America: a journey over America's most spectacular cities **9.00** America's Hidden Stories: evidence suggesting Benedict Arnold's wife spied for Britain (HD) **10.00** A Star-Spangled Story: Battle for America (HD) **11.00** Aerial America **12 midnight** America's Hidden Stories (HD) **1.00am** A Star-Spangled Story: Battle for America (HD) **2.00** Aerial America **3.00** America's Hidden Stories (HD) **4.00** A Star-Spangled Story: Battle for America (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Air Warriors (HD)

Sony Crime

Freesat 143 **Sky** 179 **Virgin** 193

6.00am Speeders **7.00** Bait Car: Atlanta **9.00** Speeders **11.00** Bait Car: Atlanta **1.00pm** Speeders **6.00** Speeders: six editions. Two pet groomers are stopped **6.30** A New Jersey mother re-enacts the moment officers stopped her, and a maths student is pulled over **7.00** An American football fan heads in the wrong direction down a one-way street, and the officers encounter a woman with a curious interest in paper towels **7.30** An officer lands himself in a difficult situation when he stops two lawyers, and a prospective employer wants to see a policeman's CV **8.00** As 6pm **8.30** As 6.30pm **9.00** Bait Car: Atlanta **11.00** Speeders **12 midnight** Bait Car: LA **1.00am** Speeders **3.00** Bait Car: Atlanta **4.00** Speeders **5.00–6.00am** Bait Car: LA

CHILDREN'S

Milkshake! on C5

Full listings for Channel 5 are on p172

6.00am Mofy: Mofy and Sora spot a strange green bottle on Mummy Mouse's upper shelf **6.05** Peppa Pig **6.20** Wissper: Hattie is lost and cannot find her lake and accidentally tramples on Monty's burrow in her panic **6.30** Ben and Holly **6.40** Fireman Sam: double bill **7.00** Thomas & Friends: double bill **7.25** Shane the Chef **7.40** Peppa Pig **8.10** Paw Patrol: Ms Marjorie takes her mobile library to the mountains **8.55–9.00am** Peppa Pig

CBeebies 202

Freeview 202 **Freesat** 608 **Sky** 614 **Virgin** 702

6.00am Something Special: We're All Friends **6.20** Baby Jake **6.35** Twirlywoos **6.45** Raa Raa the Noisy Lion **6.55** Numberblocks **7.05** Bing: double bill **7.20** Hey Duggee: double bill **7.35** Bitz & Bob **7.45** Peter Rabbit **8.00** Go Jetters **8.10** Octonauts **8.20** Biggleton **8.35** Justin's House **9.00** Something Special at the Proms; Small Potatoes **9.45** Something Special: We're All Friends **10.05** Teletubbies **10.20** The Baby Club **10.35** Hey Duggee **10.45** Mister Maker's Arty Party **11.00** Pablo **11.15** Ferne and Rory's Vet Tales **11.30** School of Roars **11.35** My First **11.50** Tinga Tinga Tales **12 noon** My World Kitchen **12.15pm** Old Jack's Boat: Rockpool Tales **12.25** What's the Big Idea? **12.30** Katie Morag **12.45** Melody **1.00** Biggleton **1.10** Timmy Time **1.15** Yakka Dee! **1.20** Numberblocks **1.25** Bing **1.35** Twirlywoos **1.45** Something Special: We're All Friends **2.10** Teletubbies **2.20** The Baby Club **2.35** Pablo **2.50** Our Family **3.00** Andy's Prehistoric Adventures **3.15** Swashbuckle: Gem tries to win her jewels back **3.40** Hey Duggee **3.45** Tinpo **3.55** Messy Goes to OKIDO; My Petsaurus **4.10** My First **4.25** Woolly & Tig: Hogmanay: the little girl discovers the fun of Hogmanay at her Granny's house **4.35** Peter Rabbit **4.50** Go Jetters **5.00** CBeebies Alice In Wonderland **5.45** Moon and Me **6.10** Clangers **6.20** In the Night Garden… **6.50–7.00pm** CBeebies Bedtime Stories: a tale is read for younger viewers before they go to bed

CBBC 201

Freeview 201 **Freesat** 607 **Sky** 613 **Virgin** 701

7.00am Arthur **7.15** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **7.25** Danger Mouse **7.40** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **8.00** FOMO Festive Replay **8.20** Class Dismissed **8.35** **FILM** The Next Step Live: The Movie ★★ **9.55** Nikki Lilly Meets **10.10** ***New.*** Our School double bill **10.50** Class Dismissed **1.20pm** Class Dismissed: Christmas Special **1.40** All Over the Place: UK **2.10** Hetty Feather: double bill **3.10** The Deep **3.30** The Madagascar Penguins in a Christmas Caper **3.40** Diddy TV **3.55** Show Me What You're Made Of: UK **4.25** A Blue Peter Christmas…Here's One We Made Earlier! **4.55** Horrible Histories: Horrible Christmas **5.30** Merry Madagascar **5.50** Dragons: Race to the Edge **6.15** **FILM** The Next Step Live: The Movie ★★ **7.30** Nikki Lilly Meets **7.45** Matilda and the Ramsay Bunch **8.00** Class Dismissed **8.15** The Dumping Ground **8.30–7.00am** So Awkward

CITV 203

Freeview 203 **Freesat** 602 **Sky** 621 **Virgin** 734

6.00am Dino Dana **6.15** Super 4 **6.50** Dare Master **6.55** The Powerpuff Girls **7.20** Teen Titans Go! **7.50** Hotel Transylvania **8.20** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **8.50** Mr Magoo **9.55** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **10.55** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **11.50** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **12.30pm** Dare Master **12.35** Mr Magoo **1.35** Hotel Transylvania **2.30** Kung Fu Panda: the Paws of Destiny: Po discovers that he has been poisoned **3.00** Mr Magoo **4.00** Mr Bean: the Animated Series: four episodes **5.00** Ninjago: March of the Oni: bringers of doom, darkness and destruction descend upon Ninjago, and all hope seems lost **6.35** Mr Magoo **7.35** Hotel Transylvania **8.05** Spy School **8.55–9.00pm** Dare Master

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Vice ★★★★ *Amazon Prime*

A barely recognisable Christian Bale stars as former US vice president Dick Cheney, the power behind George W Bush's throne, in this satirical biopic. Writer/director Adam McKay employs a succession of audacious gimmicks to emphasise the VP's control over the presidency. Bale's performance drips with cold, clinical menace, while Steve Carell (as Donald Rumsfeld), Sam Rockwell (as Bush) and Amy Adams (as Lynne Cheney) fill out the canvas of one of the most unsettling periods in American politics. **TERRY STAUNTON**



Knight terrors

P The Kid Who Would Be King ★★★

11.30am/5.45pm ***Sky Premiere***

A bullied schoolboy (Louis Ashbourne Serkis, son of Andy) discovers he's the heir to King Arthur and must protect the land from the powers of darkness in this adventure. The Sword in the Stone, the Lady in the Lake and the Knights of the Round Table share screen space with mobile phones and chicken nuggets in writer/director Joe Cornish's blend of ancient and modern. The baddies may not be up to much, but the film is saved by its irrepressible wit. **TREVOR JOHNSTON**

Justice for all

To Kill a Mockingbird ★★★★ *4.40pm* *TCM*



This Depression-era tale of small-town insularity and racial inequality stars Gregory Peck as a lawyer defending a black man accused of the rape of a white woman. A fine, moving, informative period piece for all ages, the film is as much an abiding favourite as Harper Lee's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel. **ANDREW COLLINS**

FREEVIEW

Film4 14

F'view 14 **F'sat** 300 **Sky** 313 **Virgin** 428 **HD** **Virgin** 429

11.00am DragonHeart ★★★ Likeable fantasy adventure. Dennis Quaid (1996, PG) (S)
1.05pm Megamind ★★★★ Clever animated comedy. Will Ferrell, Brad Pitt (2010, PG) (S) (AD)
2.55 Night at the Museum 2 ★★★ Pacey comedy sequel. Ben Stiller, Amy Adams (2009, PG) (S) (AD)
5.00 Nutty Professor 2: the Klumps ★★★ Comedy. Eddie Murphy, Janet Jackson (2000, 12)
6.55pm Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events ★★★ Visually inspired fantasy adventure based on the first three titles in the bestselling children's book series. Jim Carrey (2004, PG) (S)
9.00 Blades of Glory ★★★ Will Ferrell stars with John Heder in this knockabout ice-skating comedy. Will Arnett (2007, 12) (S)
10.50 The Drop ★★★ Tom Hardy and James Gandolfini provide the star chemistry in a heist-gone-wrong crime drama. Noomi Rapace, Matthias Schoenaerts (2014, 15) (S)
1.00–4.00am The Raid 2 ★★★★ Superbly stylish but very violent action thriller. Iko Uwais, Arifin Putra (2013, 18) (S)

Film4 +1 **F'view** 45 **F'sat** 301 **Sky** 314 **Virgin** 430

Sony Movies 32

Freeview 32 **Freesat** 302 **Sky** 321 **Virgin** 425

9.10am Little Buddha ★★★ Religious drama. Keanu Reeves (1993, PG) **12.05pm Julie & Julia ★★★★** Biographical drama. Amy Adams (2009, 12) **2.30 Fun with Dick and Jane ★★** Crime comedy. Jim Carrey (2005, 12) **4.20 Just Go with It ★★** Romantic comedy. Adam Sandler (2011, 12)
6.40pm Hitch ★★★ Flimsy but appealing comedy. Will Smith, Eva Mendes, Kevin James (2005, 12)
9.00 The Talented Mr Ripley ★★★★ Glossy psychological thriller. Matt Damon (1999, 15)
11.50 The Cider House Rules Involving drama. Tobey Maguire, Charlize Theron (1999, 12)
2.15am Edge of Winter ★★★ Edgy thriller. Joel Kinnaman (2016, 15) **3.55–6.00am Vice Versa ★★★** Comedy. Judge Reinhold, Fred Savage (1988, PG)

Sony Movies +1 **F'view** 60 (*limited* 10pm-5am) **Sky** 322

Sony Action 40

F'view 40 *(limited)* **F'sat** 305 **Sky** 323 **Virgin** 426

6.00am Dynamite Joe ★★ Western. (1967) **8.00 Fort Apache** Western. John Wayne (1948, U) **10.35 Flying Leathernecks ★★** Action drama. John Wayne (1951, PG) **12.45pm Back to Bataan ★★★** Drama. John Wayne (1945, PG)
2.35 Reap the Wild Wind ★★★ Adventure. John Wayne (1942, PG) **5.05 Tall in the Saddle ★★★** Western. John Wayne, Ella Raines (1944, U)
6.55pm She Wore a Yellow Ribbon A retiring cavalry officer escorts two women through hostile Arapaho territory in this first-class western. John Wayne (1949, PG)
9.00 End of a Gun ★★ Crime action thriller. Steven Seagal, Florin Piersic Jr (2016, 15)
10.50 Contract to Kill ★ Action adventure. Steven Seagal, Russell Wong (2016, 15)
12.40am The Mercenary: Absolution ★★ Crime drama. Steven Seagal (2015, 18) **2.30–4.00am 4 Minutes ★★** Drama. Kelly Blatz (2014, 15)

Sony Action +1 **Sky** 324

Talking Pictures TV 81

Freeview 81 **Freesat** 306 **Sky** 328 **Virgin** 445

6.00am The Last Journey ★★★ Thriller. Godfrey Tearle (1936, U) (S) **7.20 Scrooge ★★** Drama. Seymour Hicks (1935, U) (S) **8.55 The Gentleman Bandit ★★** Drama. Ralph Waite (1981) **11.00** June Allyson **11.45 Pool of London ★★** Drama. Bonar Colleano (1950, PG) (S) **1.30pm** Robin's Nest (S) **2.00** Rooms **2.45 Crooks Anonymous ★★** Comedy. Leslie Phillips (1962, U) **4.40 Jigsaw ★★★** Murder mystery. Jack Warner (1962, PG)
7.00pm Campbell's Kingdom ★★ Adventure. Dirk Bogarde, Stanley Baker, Michael Craig (1957, U)
9.00 Hazell TV crime drama.
10.00 Lady Godiva Rides Again ★★ Comedy. Dennis Price, John McCallum (1951, PG)
12 midnight Villain ★★★ Menacing crime drama. Richard Burton (1971, 18) **2.00am The Day the Earth Caught Fire ★★★** Sci-fi drama. Leo McKern (1961, PG) (S) **4.00–5.45 Beyond the Curtain ★** Thriller. Richard Greene (1960, U) (S)

Premiere

Sky 301 **Virgin** 401 **BT** 501

6.00am The Top Ten Show **6.15** As 3.30pm **8.30** As 8pm **11.30** As 5.45pm **1.35pm The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part ★★★★** Animated adventure. **Choice, p138.** Chris Pratt (2019, U) **3.30 Mary Poppins Returns ★★★** Musical fantasy. **Choice, p156.** Emily Blunt, Lin-Manuel (2018, U)

5.45pm P The Kid Who Would Be King ★★★ Upbeat fantasy. **Choice, left.** Louis Ashbourne Serkis (2018, PG)
8.00 Avengers: Endgame ★★★★ The superheroes make their last stand. **Choice, p166.** Robert Downey Jr, Chris Hemsworth (2019, 12)
11.00 Mary Queen of Scots ★★★ When Tudor and Stuart queens clash, there will be blood in this historical drama. **Choice, p118.** Saoirse Ronan, Margot Robbie (2018, 15)

1.15am Bumblebee ★★★ Sci-fi action adventure. Hailee Steinfeld, John Cena (2018, PG) **3.20 Little ★★** Fantasy comedy. Regina Hall, Issa Rae, Marsai Martin (2019, 12) **5.25** As 1.35pm

Premiere +1 **Sky** 312 **Virgin** 412

Hits

Sky 303 **Virgin** 403 **BT** 503

6.00am As 8pm **8.30 Despicable Me ★★★★** Animation. (2010, U) **10.15 Hotel Transylvania 3: a Monster Vacation ★★★** Comedy horror. (2018, U) **11.55 Avengers: Age of Ultron ★★★★** Adventure. (2015, 12) **2.20pm Avengers: Infinity War ★★★★** Action. Robert Downey Jr (2018, 12)

4.50pm Avengers: Endgame ★★★★ The superheroes make their last stand. **Choice, p166.** Robert Downey Jr, Chris Hemsworth (2019, 12)
8.00 Mission: Impossible – Fallout Tom Cruise races against time to avert a nuclear disaster. Rebecca Ferguson, Henry Cavill (2018, 12)
10.30 Venom ★★ Investigative reporter Tom Hardy becomes infected by a symbiotic alien parasite. Michelle Williams, Riz Ahmed (2018, 15)

12.30am Iron Man ★★★★ Fantasy action adventure. Robert Downey Jr, Terrence Howard, Jeff Bridges (2008, 12) **2.40 Iron Man 2 ★★★** Fantasy action adventure. Robert Downey Jr, Mickey Rourke (2010, 12) **4.50** As 8.30am

Action

Sky 307 **Virgin** 407 **BT** 507

6.00am The Bridge on the River Kwai Drama. William Holden (1957, PG) **8.45** As 7pm **10.45 The Karate Kid ★★★** Adventure. Ralph Macchio (1984, 12) **1.00pm The Karate Kid Part II ★★** Adventure. (1986, PG) **3.00 The Karate Kid III ★** Adventure. (1989, PG) **5.00** As 5am

7.00pm Bumblebee ★★★ This *Transformers* spin-off boasts fun-filled high jinks. Hailee Steinfeld (2018, PG)
9.00 The Matrix A computer hacker is drawn into a nightmare of alternative worlds and mind control. Keanu Reeves, Carrie-Anne Moss, Laurence Fishburne (1999, 15)
11.30 The Matrix Reloaded ★★★ Keanu Reeves returns to the computer-generated Matrix to try to fulfil a prophecy. (2002, 15)

1.50am The Matrix Revolutions ★★★ Sci-fi action thriller. Keanu Reeves, Carrie-Anne Moss, Laurence Fishburne (2003, 15) **4.05 The Next Karate Kid ★★** Martial arts adventure. Noriyuki "Pat" Morita, Hilary Swank (1994, PG)

Star Wars

Sky 302 **Virgin** 402 **BT** 502

6.00am As 8pm **8.25** As 10.30pm **10.35 Episode V: the Empire Strikes Back** Adventure. Mark Hamill (1980, U) **12.45pm Episode VI: Return of the Jedi ★★★★** Sci-fi. Mark Hamill (1983, U) **3.10 Episode I: the Phantom Menace ★★★** Sci-fi adventure. Liam Neeson (1999, U)

5.30pm Episode II: Attack of the Clones ★★★ Obi-Wan Kenobi uncovers a deadly plot. Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman, (2002, PG)
8.00 Episode III: Revenge of the Sith ★★★ The dark destiny of Anakin Skywalker is decided. Ewan McGregor, Hayden Christensen (2005, 12)
10.30 Episode IV: a New Hope Luke Skywalker joins an ageing Jedi warrior on a mission. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher (1977, U)

12.45am Episode V: the Empire Strikes Back As 10.35am **3.00 Episode VI: Return of the Jedi** As 12.45pm **5.30** Solo Special

Christmas

Sky 304 **Virgin** 410 **BT** 510

6.00am 12 Men of Christmas ★★ Romance. Kristin Chenoweth (2009) **7.40 The Search for Santa Paws ★★** Adventure. John Ducey (2010, U) **9.30** As 5.40pm **11.50** As 8pm **2.05pm Scrooged ★★★** Comedy. Bill Murray, (1988, 12) **3.55** As 11.45pm **5.40 The Holiday ★★** Romance. (2006, 12)

8.00pm It's a Wonderful Life A suicidal man is shown the value of his life. **Choice, p138.** James Stewart, Donna Reed, Lionel Barrymore (1946, U)
10.15 A Very Harold & Kumar Christmas ★★★ The stoner duo burn down the family Christmas tree. John Cho, Kal Penn, Paula Garcés (2011, 18)
11.45 National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation ★★ The Griswolds spend their yuletide at home. Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo (1989, PG)

1.25am A Wedding for Christmas ★★ Romance. Cristine Prosperi (2018) **3.00 The Christmas Swap ★★** Comedy drama. Jackie Seiden, Ashley Wood (2018) **4.30 The Search for Santa Paws** As 7.40am

Musicals

Sky 308 **Virgin** 404 **BT** 504

6.50am The Aristocats ★★★★ Animation. (1970, U) **8.20 The Jungle Book** Adventure. Phil Harris (1967, U) **9.50** As 11.15pm **11.35 Into the Woods ★★★** Fantasy. Meryl Streep (2014, PG) **1.45pm** Frozen Fever **2.00 Mamma Mia! ★★★★** Romance. Meryl Streep (2008, PG)

4.00pm Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again ★★★ Energetic sequel. Lily James, Jeremy Irvine (2018, PG)
6.00 Cats Special Film preview.
7.00 The School of Rock ★★★★ An out-of-work guitarist passes himself off as a supply teacher. Jack Black, Joan Cusack (2003, PG)
9.00 Mary Poppins Returns ★★★ Emily Blunt is pitch perfect as the magical nanny. **Choice, p156.** Lin-Manuel Miranda, Ben Whishaw (2018, U)

11.15pm Labyrinth ★★★ David Bowie stars as the Goblin King in this fun fantasy. David Bowie (1986, U) **1.00am** As 2pm **3.00 Dreamgirls ★★★** Drama. Jamie Foxx, Beyoncé Knowles (2006, 12) **5.15** As 8.20am

Key (S) Subtitles (SL) Signing (AD) Audio description

Disney

Sky 305 **Virgin** 405 **BT** 505

6.55am As 3.30pm **8.25** As 8.50pm **10.05** As 5pm **12.05pm Bolt** ★★★★ Adventure. (2008, PG) **1.45 Big Hero 6** ★★★★ Adventure. Scott Adsit (2014, PG) **3.30 Beauty and the Beast** ★★★★★ Musical. Paige O'Hara (1991, U) **5.00 The Incredibles** ★★★★★ Aadventure. Craig T Nelson (2004, U)

7.00pm Enchanted ★★★★ A sweet fairy-tale princess is transported to modern-day New York. Amy Adams, Patrick Dempsey (2007, PG)

8.50 The Princess and the Frog ★★★ This fun, hand-drawn animated fantasy transplants the classic fairy tale to 1920s New Orleans. Anika Noni Rose, Bruno Campos (2009, U)

10.35 Bedtime Stories ★★★ A put-upon hotel handyman's tall tales come true. Adam Sandler (2008, PG)

12.20am The Haunted Mansion ★★ Comedy horror. Eddie Murphy (2003, PG) **2.00 The Emperor's New Groove** ★★★★ Comedy. David Spade (2000, U) **3.30 Lilo & Stitch** ★★★★ Sci-fi. Daveigh Chase (2002, U) **5.05** As 12.05pm

Thriller

Sky 309 **Virgin** 409 **BT** 509

6.10am The Hurricane Heist ★★ Action. (2018, 12) **8.00 Armored** ★★ Action. Matt Dillon (2009, 12) **9.30 The Old Man & the Gun** ★★★★★ Crime comedy drama. Robert Redford (2018, 12) **11.05** As 6.50pm **1.15pm** As 9pm **3.00** As 10.45pm **4.55 The Italian Job** ★★★ Action. (2003, 12)

6.50pm Widows ★★★★ A trio of women attempt to pay off their dead husbands' debts by pulling a heist. Viola Davis, Michelle Rodriguez (2018, 15)

9.00 The Italian Job ★★★ Michael Caine organises an audacious gold-bullion robbery. Noël Coward, Benny Hill, Raf Vallone (1969, PG)

10.45 Ocean's 8 ★★★ A female criminal crew set their sights on a prized diamond necklace. Sandra Bullock, Cate Blanchett, Anne Hathaway (2017, 12)

12.50am The Old Man & the Gun As 9.30am **2.35 Armored** As 8am **4.15 Sam Churchill: Search for a Homeless Man** ★★ Mystery drama. John Schneider (1998)

Sci-Fi/Horror

Sky 311 **Virgin** 411 **BT** 511

6.00am Batman: Return of the Caped Crusaders ★★★(2016, PG) **7.30 Mighty Morphin Power Rangers: the Movie** ★★★ Adventure. (1995, PG) **9.15 Tron** ★★★ Adventure. (1982, PG) **11.00** As 7pm **1.00pm** As 9pm **3.15** As 11.15pm **5.15 Happy Death Day 2U** ★★ Horror. Jessica Rothe (2019, 15)

7.00pm ET the Extra-Terrestrial ★★★★★ A lonely little boy befriends an abandoned alien and tries to help him return home. Henry Thomas, Dee Wallace (1982, U)

9.00 Glass ★★★ The intriguing conclusion to the trilogy that includes *Unbreakable* and *Split*. Bruce Willis, Samuel L Jackson, James McAvoy (2019, 15)

11.15 The Predator ★★★ The alien hunter returns in search of human DNA. Boyd Holbrook (2018, 15)

1.15am Predator ★★★★ Sci-fi action thriller. Arnold Schwarzenegger (1987, 15) **3.15 Predator 2** ★★★ Sci-fi action thriller. Danny Glover (1990, 15) **5.15 Tron** As 9.15am

Harry Potter

Sky 306 **Virgin** 406 **BT** 506

6.15am As 3.25am **8.40 The Goblet of Fire** ★★★★ Fantasy. (2005, 12) **11.20 The Order of the Phoenix** ★★★★ Adventure. (2007, 12) **1.40pm The Half-Blood Prince** ★★★★ Fantasy. Daniel Radcliffe (2009, 12) **4.15 The Deathly Hallows: Part 1** ★★★ Fantasy. Daniel Radcliffe (2010, 12)

6.45pm The Deathly Hallows: Part 2 ★★★★★ Harry and Voldemort clash for the final time and the boy wizard's destiny is revealed. Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson, Rupert Grint (2011, 12)

9.00 Harry Potter List Show

10.00 The Philosopher's Stone ★★★★ Harry is whisked off to Hogwarts in this entertaining adaptation of JK Rowling's first novel. Daniel Radcliffe (2001, PG)

12.35am The Chamber of Secrets ★★★★ A new year at Hogwarts brings danger. Daniel Radcliffe (2002, PG) **3.25 The Prisoner of Azkaban** ★★★★ Adventure. Daniel Radcliffe (2004, PG) **5.50** Harry Potter List Show

Comedy

Sky 310 **Virgin** 408 **BT** 508

7.20am Peter Rabbit ★★★ Fantasy. (2017, PG) **9.05 Gulliver's Travels** ★★★ Adventure. (2010, PG) **10.40 Tooth Fairy** ★★★ Fantasy. (2009, PG) **12.25pm Smallfoot** ★★ Animation. (2018, U) **2.10 Talladega Nights: the Ballad of Ricky Bobby** ★★ (2006, 15) **4.15 The Other Guys** ★★★ (2010, 12)

6.15pm Anchorman: the Legend of Ron Burgundy ★★★ Will Ferrell's chauvinist newsreader meets his match in a spunky, new female colleague. (2004, 12)

8.00 Little ★★ A body swap forces a tech magnate to learn some life lessons. Regina Hall (2019, 12)

10.00 Blockers ★★★★ Parents attempt to foil the party plans of their daughters. Ike Barinholtz, Leslie Mann, John Cena, Kathryn Newton (2018, 15)

11.50pm Sex Tape ★★ Comedy. (2014, 15) **1.30am Sorry to Bother You** ★★★ Fantasy. (2018, 15) **3.30 Revenge of the Nerds** ★ Comedy. (1984, 15) **5.10 A Little Something for Your Birthday** ★★ (2017, 12)

TCM Movies

Sky 315 **Virgin** 415 **BT** 512 HD **Virgin** 416

6.00am Hollywood's Best Film Directors **7.05** Off Set **7.25 A Christmas Carol** ★★★ (1938, U) **8.50 Three Godfathers** ★★★ (1948, U) **11.00 The Searchers** ★★★★★ (1956, U) **1.35pm Gun the Man Down** ★★★ (1956, U) **3.10 Sherlock Holmes Faces Death** ★★★ Mystery. (1943, U)

4.40pm To Kill a Mockingbird ★★★★ A white lawyer defends a black man accused of rape in this beautifully crafted drama. **Choice, left.** Gregory Peck (1962, PG)

7.20 The Kid from Texas ★★ Audie Murphy is riveting as Billy the Kid in this western. (1950, U)

9.00 Dirty Harry ★★★★★ Clint Eastwood excels as the ruthless cop in pursuit of a psychopath in this outstanding thriller. (1971, 18)

11.10pm Training Day ★★★★ Thriller. Denzel Washington, Ethan Hawke (2001, 18) **1.45am Guns for San Sebastian** ★★ Western. Anthony Quinn (1968, PG) **4.00** Hollywood's Best Directors

TCM Movies +1 **Sky** 316 **Virgin** 417

SPORT



Test Cricket *7.30am* ***Sky Cricket/Main Event*** Joe Root leads England in South Africa

Sky Main Event

Sky 401 **Virgin** 511 **BT** 402 HD **Virgin** 501 **BT** 437

6.00am Total Goals **7.30 LIVE Test Cricket** South Africa v England, day two of the first Test in the four-match series. **4.00pm** Cricket Bitesize: South Africa v England **4.15** Cricket Debate **5.00** Sky Sports News **7.00 LIVE World Darts** The evening session on day 12 of the PDC World Championship, with one third-round match and two fourth-round matches. **11.00** NBA: the Warm Up **12 midnight** Sky Sports News **12.30am LIVE NBA** Atlanta Hawks v Milwaukee Bucks, from State Farm Arena (tip-off **12.30**). **3.00–6.00am** Sky Sports News

Sky Football

Sky 403 **Virgin** 513 HD **Virgin** 503

6.00am Championship Highlights **7.00** SPFL: Rangers v Celtic from 2019 **7.30** Championship Highlights **9.30** League One and Two Goals **10.00** Euro 2020 Qualifiers: a day of highlights from across Europe **6.00pm** Championship Highlights **7.00** SPFL Round-Up **7.15** Championship Highlights **8.30** League One and Two Goals **9.00** SPFL Round-Up **9.15** Championship Highlights **11.00** League One and Two Goals **11.30** Scottish Football **12 midnight** Championship Highlights **2.00pm** SPFL Greatest Games **2.30** One2Eleven (AD) **3.00** EFL Season Review **4.00** Greatest Games **4.30** Countdowns (AD) **5.00** Greatest Players (AD) **5.30–6.00am** Years (AD)

Sky Golf

Sky 405 **Virgin** 515 HD **Virgin** 505

6.00am The Players Championship Official Film **7.00** PGA Tour Golf **2.30pm** How The Players Was Won **4.30** Junior Golf **5.30** How The Players Was Won **7.30** Junior Golf **8.30** How The Players Was Won **10.30** PGA Tour Golf: the final round of the 2019 Players Championship **4.00–6.00am** The Players Championship Official Films

Premier Sports 2

Sky 429 **Virgin** 552

7.00–9.45pm LIVE Rugby Union Ulster v Connacht, the Pro14 encounter at Kingspan Stadium (kick-off **7.35**).

Amazon Prime

7.00pm LIVE Premier League Football Wolves v Manchester City (kick-off **7.45**).

Sky Premier League

Sky 402 **Virgin** 512 HD **Virgin** 502

6.00am Premier League Years (AD) **8.00** Christmas Crackers **9.30** Best of 18/19 **10.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox (AD) **11.00** The Tyler Archives **11.30** Hat-Tricks: Alan Shearer **11.45** Hat-Tricks: Sergio Aguero **12 noon** Premier League Years (AD) **2.00pm** Best of 18/19 **4.00** Christmas Crackers **5.00** Best of 2018/19 **5.30** Christmas Crackers **6.00** Premier League Review **7.00** Premier League Preview **7.30** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **8.00** Premier League Review **9.00** Premier League Preview **9.30** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **10.00** Class of 92: Full Time **1.00am** Premier League Years (AD) **3.00** Greatest Games **4.00** Best Goals **5.30–6.00am** 100 Club (AD)

Sky Cricket

Sky 404 **Virgin** 514 HD **Virgin** 504

6.00am My Icon: Catriona Matthew (AD) **6.15** Test Cricket **6.30** Cricket Debate **7.15** Test Cricket **7.30 LIVE Test Cricket** South Africa v England, day two of the first Test in the four-match series at Supersport Park, Centurion. **4.00pm** Test Cricket **4.15** Cricket Debate **5.00** Test Cricket **6.00** Cricket Debate **6.45** Test Cricket **8.00** Cricket Debate **8.45** Test Cricket **10.00** Cricket Debate **10.45** Test Cricket **12 midnight** Cricket Debate **12.45am** Test Cricket **1.00** Cricket 360 **2.00** Test Cricket **3.00** Cricket Debate **3.45** Cricket 360 **4.45** Greatest Games (AD) **5.15–6.00am** Best of England v Australia (AD)

Sky Action

Sky 407 **Virgin** 517 HD **Virgin** 507

6.00am NFL: America's Game (AD) **7.00** Wrestling **9.00** NFL: America's Game (AD) **11.00** Inside the Huddle **12 noon** Inside the NBA **1.00pm** NBA Champions: 2010 LA Lakers (AD) **2.30** NFL **3.30** Great Moments (AD) **3.45** Wrestling **5.45** NBA Heatcheck **6.15** NBA **8.00** Pro-FootballTalk **10.00** NFL Hard Knocks **11.00** NBA: the Warm Up **12 midnight** NBA **12.30am LIVE NBA** Atlanta Hawks v Milwaukee Bucks, the Eastern Conference clash from State Farm Arena (tip-off **12.30**). **3.00** NBA: Sounds of the Finals 2018 **3.30** NBA Champions: Raptors **5.00–6.00am** Players Only

Sky Darts

Sky 408 **Virgin** 518 HD **Virgin** 508

6.00am Darts Gold **7.00** Legends of Darts **7.30** Darts Gold (AD) **7.45** Legends of Darts (AD) **8.00** Darts Gold (AD) **11.00** Darts Top Five Moments **12 noon** Darts Gold (AD) **12.30pm LIVE World Darts** The first session on day 12 of the PDC World Championship, featuring three third-round matches. Continues at 7pm. **4.30** Darts Gold (AD) **6.30** Darts Top Five Moments **6.50** Darts Gold **7.00 LIVE World Darts** The second session on day 12. **11.00** Darts Gold (AD) **1.00am** World Darts **5.00–6.00am** Darts Gold

Eurosport 1

Sky 410 **Virgin** 521 **BT** 412 HD **BT** 435

7.00am Watts **7.15** Anglesey Sandman Triathlon **7.45** Ski Jumping **8.45** Golf **9.45** Tennis **10.45** Alpine Skiing **12.45pm** Climbing **3.00** Ski Jumping **4.00** Cyclo-Cross **5.00** Mountain Bikes **6.00** Athletics **7.00** Darts **8.00** Snooker **10.00** Cyclo-Cross **11.00** Golf **12 midnight** Ski Jumping **12.40–7.00am** Watts

BT Sport 1

Sky 413 **Virgin** 527 **BT** 408 HD **BT** 430

6.00am Premier League Review **7.00** T20 Cricket: Big Bash League **8.00 LIVE T20 Cricket** Melbourne Stars v Adelaide Strikers, the Big Bash League. **11.15** Test Cricket **12.15pm** Big Bash Reload **12.30** Premier League Review **1.30** Classic Football (AD) **3.00** Test Cricket **4.00** T20 Cricket: Big Bash League **5.00** Premier League Review **6.00** Mic'd Up: Nick Cushing **6.30** Rugby Tonight on Tour (AD) **7.00 LIVE Rugby Union** Bristol Bears v Wasps (kick-off **7.45**). **10.00** BT Sport Films (AD) **11.30** UFC Greatest Fights (AD) **12 midnight** Rugby Union **1.30am** Premier League Football **2.30** Scottish Football **2.45** German Football **3.15** BT Sport Reload **3.30** Premier League Football **4.30–6.00am** Australian Football

BT Sport 2

Sky 414 **Virgin** 528 **BT** 409 HD **BT** 431

7.15am BT Sport Goals Reload **7.30** Australian Football: highlights **8.30 LIVE Australian Football** Adelaide United v Western Sydney Wanderers (kick-off **8.30**). **10.30** Australian Women's Football **11.30** BT Sport Reload **12 noon** The Barcolana **1.00pm** French Football **2.00** German Football **3.00** Premier League Review **4.00** Sailing (AD) **5.00** Scottish Football **6.45 LIVE Scottish Football** Dundee United v Dundee, in the Championship (kick-off **7.45**). **10.00** Premier League Football **11.00** BT Sport Big Bash Reload **11.15–7.15am LIVE Test Cricket** Australia v New Zealand, the third day of the second Test.

BT Sport 3

Sky 417 **Virgin** 529 **BT** 410 HD **BT** 432

6.00am Scottish Football **7.30** BT Sport Reload **8.00** Goals Reload **8.30** Premier League Review **9.30** Rugby Tonight on Tour (AD) **10.00** Scottish Football **11.30** Unmatched (AD) **12.30pm** Backstory: Serena vs The Umpire (AD) **1.30** This is What They Want (AD) **2.30** Rugby Tonight on Tour (AD) **3.00** BT Sport Reload **3.30** Yachting (AD) **4.00** Australian Football **5.30** German Football **6.00** Small Potatoes: Who Killed the USFL? (AD) **7.00** Test Cricket **8.00** T20 Cricket **9.00** Australian Football **10.30** Poker **12.30am** Scottish Football **2.30** UFC Now (AD) **3.30** UFC Greatest Fights (AD) **4.00** Inside Sailing (AD) **4.30–6.00am** Rugby Union

BT Sport ESPN

Sky 423 **Virgin** 530 **BT** 411 HD **BT** 434

6.00am ESPN FC **6.30** Football is US: the College Game **8.00** American Football **4.30pm** ESPN FC **5.00–6.45am LIVE American Football** The Military Bowl; **8.15** The Pinstripe Bowl; **11.45** The Texas Bowl; **3.15am** The Cheez-It Bowl.

Eurosport 2

Sky 411 **Virgin** 522 **BT** 413 HD **BT** 436

6.00am Australian Superbikes **7.00** Motorcycling **8.00** Cliff Diving **9.00** Alpine Skiing **10.00** Snooker **12 noon** Ski Jumping: the Four Hills **1.00pm** Alpine Skiing **2.00** Snooker **4.00** Formula E **5.00** Le Mans 24 Hours **6.00** Motorcycling **7.00** Climbing **9.15** Cyclo-Cross **10.15** Snowboarding **11.15** Freestyle Skiing **12.25am** Triathlon **1.00** Ski Jumping **3.00** Motocross **4.00** Superbikes **5.00–6.00am** Australian Superbikes

SATURDAY Choices

The pick of today's TV



ICY THRILLS
Sven Nordin and Carrie-Anne Moss star in a gripping new chiller

PICK OF THE DAY **Wisting** *9.00pm, 9.45pm* ***BBC4***

DRAMA ***New series*** William Wisting (Sven Nordin), haunted by the death of his wife, is a well-meaning detective who hulks around the snow in the Norwegian town of Larvik, looking a bit like Burt Lancaster and trying to ensure his grown-up kids don't hate him because he's Devoted to His Job.

Actually, *Wisting* is a welcome addition to chilly winter nights on BBC4, though the story might be formulaic... a serial killer has been murdering young, attractive, blonde women after keeping them prisoner in wells.

But the bleak, snowy setting gives the drama edge when a body is found in a field of Christmas trees. As the festive celebrations hit their stride, two FBI agents (Carrie-Anne Moss and Richie Campbell) arrive to investigate the victim's possible links to a dangerous wanted man. Meanwhile, Wisting's journalist daughter has a case of her own. **ALISON GRAHAM**

Doctor Who

8.20am ***W***

DRAMA When I was a wee Time Lad in 1972, the most exciting Christmas present ever was teased at the back of the *RT* double issue. It announced, out of the blue, *The Three Doctors*, an adventure uniting *my* Doctor Jon Pertwee with his long-gone predecessors Patrick Troughton and William Hartnell.

To young viewers today, Matt Smith's pixie-like 11th Doctor could well seem like a trace memory, too, but W is unwrapping his 2012 festive special *The Snowmen* to remind us of his meeting with Victorian governess Clara (Jenna Coleman) and an old foe, the Great Intelligence (voiced by Ian McKellen and embodied by Richard E Grant). It chills and sparkles. **PATRICK MULKERN**

Friends Day

from 12.30pm ***Comedy Central***

SITCOM It's the Saturday between Christmas and new year, a funny old day that's neither one thing nor the other, a day when there's not much to do apart from eat leftovers and play desultory games of Monopoly.

If you can't bear to rise from the comfortable tomb of your sofa, you could do worse than spend the entire afternoon in front of hours of *Friends* reruns, a big chunk of the very last series starting with the one where Monica and Rachel fight over who has to take Phoebe's ugly painting. And culminating at 6pm in the last-ever episode when the little gang separates. There is talk of a reunion, though this must never happen. *Friends* was perfect, just as it was, as is ably demonstrated here. **AG**

The Many Faces of Michael Caine

6.50pm ***BBC2***

DOCUMENTARY Ever since Michael Caine starred in *The Ipcress File* in 1965, putting his name above the film title has almost guaranteed its box-office success.

This biography, first shown in 2011, skips over his early years to focus on his film career after the age of 35. Lavishly illustrated with clips from *Zulu*, *Alfie*, *The Italian Job*, *Educating Rita*, *Little Voice* and *Harry Brown*, there are also snippets of previous interviews with Caine and with actors such as Saeed Jaffrey, Brenda Blethyn and Robert Powell.

The breadth of his work is staggering... as is the fact that he's never won a best actor Oscar. **JANE RACKHAM**

Vera

9.00pm ***ITV3***

DRAMA A young blogger jumps from the roof of his university having posted a final, angry online rant about debt. So, an open and shut case, then. He killed himself because he owed money.

But hang on, who's that stomping on to campus? It's Detective Vera Stanhope and she's convinced the young man didn't fall, he was pushed after being beaten.

Further digging reveals the victim was a journalism student keen to make his mark with the local paper by unearthing a big story. It's another solid tale, first shown in 2017, that manages to get out into the fresh air with a few trips to that impressive but chilly North East coast. **AG**

Children's Choices

Hack to the Future 1
9.25am ***CBBC***
An important and gripping two-part documentary (it concludes tomorrow), charting Hacker the Dog's rise from "binfluencer" to social media superstar. Meet his showbiz pals! Find out why Jack Black hated his singing! He's by far Wigan's favourite dog, but can he cope with the pressures of such immense fame?

Inside Out
3.00pm ***BBC1***
An intelligent and entertaining Pixar animation that should be taught in schools. It combines the domestic reality of *Toy Story* with the imaginative flair of *Monsters Inc,* using a sophisticated internal logic whereby sprites Joy, Sadness, Anger, Fear and Disgust – all immaculately visualised – control the mind of an unsettled 11-year-old. A surreal race against time teaches many important lessons.



Casualty
9.20pm ***BBC1***
DRAMA Be warned, viewers: this is a very bleak midwinter episode of *Casualty*. If you're feeling even just a little bit maudlin, I'd recommend keeping a DVD of *Elf* close by and maybe even a box set of Ealing comedies, too. Because by the time the credits roll on this sombre hour of TV, you're going to need a laugh.

Suffice it to say, this is an emotional rollercoaster of a shift, with events that take their toll on both staff and patients. And with Dylan struggling in the role of clinical lead, the last thing he needs is a member of the management team making their presence felt at the worst possible time. **DAVID BROWN**

Mystify: Michael Hutchence
9.20pm ***BBC2***
DOCUMENTARY An intimate portrait of the late INXS singer, who took his own life in 1997, aged 37, *Mystify* is both a tribute to arguably Australia's most charismatic rock star, and a level-headed examination of celebrity.

Although his band sold millions of records, Hutchence only became a tabloid headline-grabber via his famous girlfriends (Kylie Minogue, Helena Christensen, Paula Yates), and his notoriety was compounded by the manner of his death. Director Richard Lowenstein frames Hutchence as a driven musician with a rarely seen humble side. It's followed at 11pm by a sell-out INXS gig at Wembley from 1991. **TERRY STAUNTON**

Inspector Montalbano
10.30pm ***BBC4***
DRAMA In deep midwinter, what better than a trip to Sicily for sunny vistas, good-humoured banter, and a bit of crime almost as a side dish? Late on Christmas Day, BBC4 scheduled the very first Montalbano film, *The Snack Thief*, made 20 years ago and first shown here in 2012. Tonight, we rewind to *Excursion to Tindari* (made in 2001).

A man is shot dead, leaving behind racy letters and sex tapes, while an elderly couple from his palazzo go missing on the same day. Surely, Salvo will make a connection...

You can catch two further investigations on New Year's Day and 2 January, while all 34 films go up on iPlayer as a box set on 14 December. **PM**



STARS ON 45s Celebrities are tested on their pop knowledge

The Hit List *7.45pm* ***BBC1***
QUIZ Scott Mills says he's "more stressed about doing this show than any other I've done before – apart from *Strictly*". It's hardly surprising: for many of the contestants on this celebrity special of the *Name That Tune*-style quiz, professional reputations are on the line. Three of the contenders are radio DJs – who also happen to be former *Strictly Come Dancing* contestants: Mills, Melvin Odoom and Vick Hope. They're respectively partnered with ex-footballer John Barnes, comedian (and another former *Strictly* star) Susan Calman and football pundit Chris Kamara.

Even for players with careers in the music industry, the rounds prove devilishly tricky. Calman is good value: her elation at getting a song right early on has her stating: "I've had a lovely day out... I can go home now!" **FRANCES TAYLOR**

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Penny Blacks and Twopenny Blues
iPlayer (expires today)
What better subject could there be for a quirky, moseying BBC4 documentary than philately? Writer Andrew Martin provides a trivia-packed history of our love affair with stamps, tiny items that have often said much about the odder corners of the British psyche and how we see ourselves. First shown in 2016.

Elton John: Uncensored
iPlayer (expires today)
Very few superstars reach Elton John's level while retaining this sort of candour: his long interview with Graham Norton is full of funny, explicit and sad stories, told by a man with no wish to present himself as perfect. **JACK SEALE**

BEST LIVE SPORT



■ **Premiership Rugby Union: Harlequins v Leicester** *4.15pm (k/o 4.30pm)* ***Channel 5/BT 2***
Can Quins captain Chris Robshaw tame the Tigers at Twickenham?

■ **Test Cricket: South Africa v England, first Test, day three** *7.30am* ***Sky Cricket/Main Event***

■ **Premier League Football: Norwich City v Tottenham Hotspur** *5pm (kick-off 5.30pm)* ***Sky PL/Main Event/Sky 1***

P FILM OF THE DAY

Guardians of the Galaxy Vol 2
8.30pm ***ITV***
Terrific sci-fi adventure sequel starring Chris Pratt and Zoe Saldana. **See page 86**

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SATURDAY Main Channels

DAYTIME

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast Charlie Stayt, Nina Warhurst. (S) (HD)

10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live With chefs Tommy Banks and Paul A Young, and guest Emilia Fox. (S) (HD)

11.30 Flour Power *10/10.* Workmates from the Cairn o'Mohr Winery in Perth take part in baking challenges.
Postponed from 30 November First shown on BBC Scotland (S) (HD)

12 noon Football Focus With Dan Walker. (S) (HD)

1.00pm BBC News Weather (S) (HD)

1.10–3.00 Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom ★★★★ Action adventure starring Harrison Ford. Archaeologist Indiana Jones is launched on a quest in search of the magical Sankara stone. **Review p86.**
Director Steven Spielberg (1984, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

RED BUTTON 2.30–5.30 Final Score The latest football scores, introduced by Jason Mohammad.

BBC2

6.25am Top Class First shown on CBBC (S) (HD)

6.55 This Farming Life Stevie's pygmy goat Ginger struggles to give birth to twins. (R) (S) (HD)

7.55 Race across the World The travellers pass through Cambodia and Vietnam. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

8.55 The teams face the final leg, travelling 1,500 miles down the Malaysian Peninsula. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

9.55 The Planets Brian Cox examines Saturn – a planet that began as rock and ice. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

10.55 Examining the remotest part of the solar system – home to Uranus, Neptune and Pluto. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

11.55 Inside the Factory Gregg Wallace heads for Europe's largest biscuit factory. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

12.55pm Nadiya's Party Feasts Featuring halloumi chips and a chocolate eclair roll. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

1.55 Animal Babies: First Year on Earth A sea otter pup learns what is safe to eat. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

2.55–4.40 The Ipcress File ★★★★ Spy thriller starring Michael Caine and Nigel Green. Intelligence agent Harry Palmer uncovers a bizarre "brain drain" among scientists.
Director Sidney J Furie (1965, PG) (S) (AD) (W)

ITV

6.00am CITV See page 185 **8.25 ITV News** (S) (HD)

8.30 The Sara Cox Show With guests Suzi Ruffell, Frank Skinner and Jason Manford, plus live music from Gabrielle Aplin and Hannah Grace. (S) (HD)

9.25 James Martin's Saturday Morning With *Celebrity Masterchef* winner Greg Rutherford, John Williams, Francesco Mazzei and Merlin Griffiths. (S) (HD)

11.35 John and Lisa's Christmas Kitchen *8/10* Recipes include a baked Tunworth cheese with onions and potatoes. Shown Sunday 22 December (S) (HD)

12.35pm Nadia's Family Feasts *8/10.* Making the ultimate turkey dinner. Shown Sunday 22 December (S) (HD)

1.35 Beautiful Baking with Juliet Sear *8/10* Juliet rustles up baked party canapés and a brussels sprout tarte tatin. Shown Sunday 22 December (S) (HD)

2.35 ITV News Weather; Regional Weather (S) (HD)

2.45–4.45 Midsomer Murders Blood Will Out. Travellers antagonise a magistrate in Martyr Warren, who is subsequently found dead. (R) (S) (AD)

Channel 4

6.00am Carry On Jack ★★ Comedy on the high seas, starring Bernard Cribbins and Kenneth Williams. A motley crew sets off for Spanish waters in search of glory. Director Gerald Thomas (1963, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

7.35 The King of Queens Double bill. (R) (S) (AD)

8.25 Everybody Loves Raymond Triple bill. (R) (S) (AD)

9.55 Frasier Roz's cousin visits Seattle. (R) (S) (AD)

10.25 Baby's Day Out ★★★ Comedy starring Joe Mantegna and Lara Flynn Boyle. Baby Bink Cotwell is kidnapped by three bumbling crooks. He escapes and goes in search of adventure in Chicago.
Director Patrick Read Johnson (1994, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

12.20pm The Simpsons Double bill. (R) (S) (AD)

1.20 Jamie and Jimmy's Festive Feast The duo are joined by Taron Egerton. Shown Christmas Day 8.30pm (S) (AD) (HD)

2.25–4.25 Sunshine on Leith ★★★★ Scottish musical starring Peter Mullan and Jane Horrocks, featuring the songs of the Proclaimers.
Director Dexter Fletcher (2013, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

BBC1

Alice through the Looking Glass
6.00pm Alice and Hatter embark on another colourful, madcap adventure



3.00pm Inside Out ★★★★★

Animated comedy adventure featuring the voices of Amy Poehler, Phyllis Smith and Mindy Kaling. Eleven-year-old Riley has a hard time as her emotions run wild. **Review page 86; Children's choice, p179.**
Directors Pete Docter, Ronnie del Carmen (2015, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

4.30 Final Score

A round-up of the day's football scores. (S) (HD)

5.10 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

5.30 Celebrity Mastermind

With Paul Chuckle, Amanda Henderson, Geoff Norcott and Levi Roots. More New Year's Eve 7pm. (S) (HD)
NOTE: Episode may change depending on football coverage on Saturday 21 December

6.00 Alice through the Looking Glass ★★★

Fantasy adventure. Now older and a little wiser, Alice comes across a magical mirror that whisks her back to the topsy-turvy world of Wonderland. There, she attempts to help the "Mad Hatter" find out what happened to his family years ago. **Review p86.**

Hatter Tarrant Hightopp	**Johnny Depp**	Iracebeth, Red Queen	**Helena Bonham Carter**
Alice Kingsleigh	**Mia Wasikowska**	Cheshire Cat	**Stephen Fry** (voice only)
Mirana, White Queen	**Anne Hathaway**	Time	**Sacha Baron Cohen**
Absolem	**Alan Rickman** (voice only)		

Director James Bobin (2016, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

7.45 The Hit List

RT Marvin and Rochelle Humes present a celebrity edition of the music quiz show, with comedian Susan Calman and Radio 1 DJ Melvin Odoom, rapping footballer John Barnes and Radio 1 DJ Scott Mills, and football pundit Chris Kamara and Capital Radio DJ Vick Hope. **See page 179.**
Director Chris Power; Series producer Gareth Davies
Repeated tomorrow 12.50am (S) (HD)

8.30 Pointless Celebrities

Dave Hill and Rob Davis, Sally Lindsay and Roger McGough, Sonia and Jamelia, and Keren Woodward and Sara Dallin compete in a 2018 Christmas edition.
Producer John Ryan
Executive producers Tamara Gilder and Richard Hague (R) (S) (HD)

9.20 Casualty

RT Archie is keen to impress Dylan, who is struggling to keep control of the department. **See p179.**

Mason Reede	**Victor Oshin**	Robyn Miller	**Amanda Henderson**
Rashid Masum	**Neet Mohan**	Noel Garcia	**Tony Marshall**
Dylan Keogh	**William Beck**	Jan Jenning	**Di Botcher**
Ethan Hardy	**George Rainsford**	Rosa Cadenas	**Jacey Sallés**
David Hide	**Jason Durr**	Faith Cadogan	**Kirsty Mitchell**
Jade Lovall	**Gabriella Leon**	Angela Reede	**Wendy Mae Brown**
Marty Kirkby	**Shaheen Jafargholi**	Marina Kovac	**Cristina Catalina**
Will Noble	**Jack Nolan**	Anthony O'Reiley	**Tom Hanratty**
Archie Hudson	**Genesis Lynea**	Joe O'Reiley	**Richard Hope**
Ruby Spark	**Maddy Hill**	Tyler Begbie	**Sam Retford**
Jacob Masters	**Charles Venn**	Lisa "Duffy" Duffin	**Cathy Shipton**
Charlie Fairhead	**Derek Thompson**	Lev Malinovsky	**Uriel Emil**
Violette Spark	**Kelly Gough**	Noel Garcia	**Tony Marshall**
Ollie Hide	**Harry Collett**	Xiomara Steadman	**Anna Savva**
Susan Kellmer	**Rachel Bavidge**		

Writer Dana Fainaru; Producer Dafydd Llewelyn
Director Jordan Hogg (S) (AD) (HD)

10.10 BBC News Weather (S) (HD)

Followed by **National Lottery Update** (S)

10.30 Match of the Day

Including highlights from Wolves v Manchester City.
Repeated tomorrow 7.40am (S) (HD)

12 midnight The NFL Show A look ahead to the final round of regular-season fixtures. (S) (HD)

12.30am Internal Affairs ★★★★ Crime thriller starring Richard Gere, Andy Garcia and Nancy Travis. Time is beginning to run out for a crooked LA police officer.
Director Mike Figgis (1990, 18) (S) (W) (HD)

2.20 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) (HD)

2.25–6.00am BBC News (S) (HD)

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BBC2

Mystify: Michael Hutchence
9.20pm Exploring the tragic life of the sensitive INXS frontman



4.40pm The Eagle Has Landed ★★★

Second World War adventure. In November 1943, the military authorities in Berlin receive a simple message, "The Eagle Has Landed". It is a daring attempt by a small force of crack German paratroopers to kidnap British Prime Minister, Winston Churchill.

Colonel Kurt Steiner	**Michael Caine**	Molly Prior	**Jenny Agutter**
Liam Devlin	**Donald Sutherland**	Heinrich Himmler	**Donald Pleasence**
Colonel Max Radl	**Robert Duvall**	Admiral Wilhelm Canaris	**Anthony Quayle**

Director John Sturges (1976, 15) (S) (W) (HD)

6.50 The Many Faces of Michael Caine

RT What's it all been about over the past 50 years? For Michael Caine, the answer would be a long and successful career as an actor appearing in classics such as *Alfie*, *The Ipcress File*, *The Man Who Would Be King*, *Get Carter* and controversial thriller, *Harry Brown*. Born Maurice Joseph Micklewhite in south London in 1933, Michael looks back at his life in film. **See p178.**
Producer Charlie Stuart; Exec producer Stephen Stewart (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

7.50 Dad's Army

Turkey Dinner. Can Captain Mainwaring really be a softie at heart? The struggling senior citizens of Walmington-on-Sea are about to find out. (R) (S)

8.20 Tasmania: Weird and Wonderful

In this *Natural World* film, David Attenborough discovers that the animal inhabitants of this vast Australian wilderness are a characterful – and sometimes bizarre – band of creatures. The unearthly cries of the infamous Tasmanian devil echo across the land but, as the cameras reveal, they have a surprisingly gentle side. In the arid east, rare white wallabies graze on the plains, while over to the west, where it can rain nearly every day of the year, caves light up with the magical spectacle of thousands of glow-worms, and the trees are 100m towering monsters. And as winter approaches, the Southern Lights dance in the sky.
Director Matt Hamilton; Exec producer Stephen Dunleavy (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

9.20 Mystify: Michael Hutchence

RT Profile of the INXS singer, featuring footage from private home movies and contributions by his friends and family, to delve beneath the public persona of the charismatic frontman. The film also examines the traumatic brain injury he suffered in 1992, which caused him to lose his senses of smell and taste, along with the onslaught of tabloid press scrutiny due to his relationship with Paula Yates in the mid-1990s, before his death in November 1997. **See page 179.**
Director/Producer Michael Lowenstein (S) (HD)

11.00 INXS: Live Baby Live

A newly remastered version of INXS's 1991 performance at Wembley, where they played to a sold-out crowd. The concert captures the band – led by singer Michael Hutchence – at their peak and features classics including *New Sensation* and *Mystify*.
Director David Mallet; Executive producers Terry Shand, Geoff Kempin, Samantha Evans and CM Murphy (S) (HD)

12 midnight Life on the Road ★★★ Comedy. Thirteen years after being the subject of reality series *The Office*, David Brent now works as a salesman. However, his dream of becoming a rock star remains. So he decides to reform his old group Foregone Conclusion, and a documentary crew once again follows as they embark on a three-week tour.

David Brent	**Ricky Gervais**	Nigel Martin	**Tom Bennett**
Dom Johnson	**Ben Bailey Smith**	Pauline Gray	**Jo Hartley**
Dan Harvey	**Tom Basden**	Drummer	**Andy Burrows**

Director Ricky Gervais (2016, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.35–3.10am Three Summers ★★★ Comedy with Robert Sheehan, Rebecca Breeds and Michael Caton. Over the course of three years, romance blooms between a theremin player and a folk violinist. Meanwhile, a widowed Morris dancer finds himself at cultural odds with an Aboriginal dance troupe over who represents the real Australia.
Director Ben Elton (2017, 15) (S) (W) (HD)

BBC2 Freeview 2 Freesat 102 Sky 102 Virgin 102
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ITV

Guardians of the Galaxy Vol 2 *8.30pm* Fearless hero Peter Quill fights to save the universe – again



4.45pm Tipping Point: Best Ever Finals
A compilation of some of the most dramatic endgames from the quiz show. (R) (S) (HD)

5.15 ITV News Weather (S) (HD)

5.25 Regional News Weather (S) (HD)

5.30 Take Me Out Emergency Services Special
Paddy McGuinness returns to help find 30 female singletons, all of whom work in the emergency services, a date on the Isle of Fernando's. The hopefuls arriving in the love lift are firefighter John, doctor Iman and paramedic Johnny – but will it be a case of "no likey, no blue lighty"?
Directors/Producers Naomi Banat, Humphrey Cruz, Dom Gatt, Ollie Herrington, Mark Littlewood and Simon Staffurth
Repeated Monday 30 December 11am ITV2 and New Year's Eve 2.40am ITV (S) (HD)

6.30 The Chase Celebrity Special
Do TV presenter Melinda Messenger, comedian Dave Gorman and actors Michelle Hardwick and Nigel Havers have what it takes to beat the Chaser? Bradley Walsh hosts. (R) (S) (HD)

7.30 The Chase: Bloopers 2018
One of the things that viewers of *The Chase* enjoy most is seeing Bradley Walsh collapse in a fit of giggles after mangling a question or encountering a rude-sounding name. Here, the host presents the best out-takes from 2018.
Executive producers Martin Scott, Michael Kelpie and Helen Tumbridge (R) (S) (HD)

8.30 Guardians of the Galaxy Vol 2
P ★★★★ Sci-fi adventure sequel starring Chris Pratt and Zoe Saldana. The Guardians must set aside their differences to defeat a new foe who is set on conquering the galaxy, while also helping their leader when he encounters his father. **Film of the Day: page 86.**

Peter Quill/Star-Lord	**Chris Pratt**	Meredith Quill	**Laura Haddock**
Gamora	**Zoe Saldana**	Sovereign admiral	**Ben Browder**
Drax the Destroyer	**Dave Bautista**	Unseen Ravager	**Rob Zombie**
Baby Groot	**Vin Diesel** (voice only)	Grandpa Quill	**Gregg Henry**
Rocket Racoon	**Bradley Cooper** (voice only)	Howard the Duck	**Seth Green** (voice only)
Yondu Udonta	**Michael Rooker**	Charlie-27	**Ving Rhames**
Nebula	**Karen Gillan**	Martinex	**Michael Rosenbaum**
Mantis	**Pom Klementieff**	Aleta Ogord	**Michelle Yeoh**
Ego	**Kurt Russell**	Mainframe	**Miley Cyrus** (voice only)
Stakar Ogord	**Sylvester Stallone**	Form of David Hasselhoff	**David Hasselhoff**
Ayesha	**Elizabeth Debicki**		
Taserface	**Chris Sullivan**	Astronaut	**Stan Lee**
Kraglin	**Sean Gunn**	Daisy Kiu	**Kelly Richardson**
Tullk	**Tommy Flanagan**		

Director James Gunn (2017, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.05 ITV News
Weather; Regional Weather (S) (HD)

11.15 Cape Fear ★★★★
Thriller. After 14 years behind bars, brutal rapist Max Cady is free to exact revenge on the man who could have kept him out of jail, lawyer Sam Bowden. He begins a reign of terror that threatens Bowden's wife and daughter. Determined to crush the family, Cady's campaign has devastating results. **Review p87.**

Max Cady	**Robert De Niro**	Danielle Bowden	**Juliette Lewis**
Sam Bowden	**Nick Nolte**	Claude Kersek	**Joe Don Baker**
Leigh Bowden	**Jessica Lange**	Lieutenant Elgart	**Robert Mitchum**

Director Martin Scorsese (1991, 18) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.25am Home Shopping
3.00 What Would Be Your Miracle? Eight-year-old Livi faces an operation to fit two cochlear implants that could finally allow her to hear properly. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
3.50–6.00am Nightscreen Text information. (HD)

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Channel 4

Baywatch *9.00pm* Trouble is brewing for lifeguard Mitch (Dwayne Johnson) and new recruit Matt (Zac Efron)



4.25pm Mother's Day ★★
Comedy starring Jennifer Aniston, Kate Hudson and Julia Roberts. Three women from very different backgrounds deal with emotional upheaval, career chaos and family problems as their "special day" approaches.

Sandy	**Jennifer Aniston**	Zack Zimm	**Jack Whitehall**
Jesse	**Kate Hudson**	Tina	**Shay Mitchell**
Miranda	**Julia Roberts**	Flo	**Margo Martindale**
Bradley	**Jason Sudeikis**	Second Lieutenant Dana Barton	
Kristin	**Britt Robertson**		**Jennifer Garner**
Henry	**Timothy Olyphant**	Gabi	**Sarah Chalke**
Lance Wallace	**Hector Elizondo**	Motorcycle cop	**Larry Miller**

Director Garry Marshall (2016, 12) (S) (W) (HD)

6.30 Channel 4 News; Sport; Weather (S) (HD)

6.40 Snow White and the Huntsman
★★★ Fantasy adventure starring Kristen Stewart, Chris Hemsworth and Charlize Theron. Snow White is on the run from her evil stepmother who has sent a group of men into the woods to capture her. But the huntsman leading the search learns that he is also a victim of the Queen's duplicity and aims to protect the girl – even if she seems quite capable of looking after herself.

Snow White	**Kristen Stewart**	Duke Hammond	**Vincent Regan**
The Huntsman	**Chris Hemsworth**	Muir	**Bob Hoskins**
Queen Ravenna	**Charlize Theron**	Anna	**Rachael Sterling**
Beith	**Ian McShane**	Quert	**Johnny Harris**
William	**Sam Claflin**	King Magnus	**Noah Huntley**
Coll	**Toby Jones**	Finn	**Sam Spruell**
Nion	**Nick Frost**	Thomas	**Mark Wingett**
Gort	**Ray Winstone**	Percy	**Matt Berry**
Greta	**Lily Cole**	Aldan	**Joey Ansah**
Duir	**Eddie Marsan**	Gus	**Brian Gleeson**

Director Rupert Sanders (2012, 12) (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Baywatch ★★★
Comedy based on the popular TV series, starring Zac Efron and Dwayne Johnson. Experienced lifeguard Mitch Buchannon and new recruit Matt Brody must put their differences aside to try and thwart a criminal gang that has muscled in on their beach. **Review page 87.**

Mitch Buchannon	**Dwayne Johnson**	Stephanie Holden	**Ilfenesh Hadera**
Matt Brody	**Zac Efron**	Ronnie Greenbaum	**Jon Bass**
Summer Quinn	**Alexandra Daddario**	Sgt Ellerbee	**Yahya Abdul-Mateen II**
Victoria Leeds	**Priyanka Chopra**	The Mentor	**David Hasselhoff**
CJ Parker	**Kelly Rohrbach**	Casey Jean Parker	**Pamela Anderson**

Director Seth Gordon (2017, 15) (S) (AD) (HD)

11.20 The Green Mile ★★★
Fantasy prison drama based on the novel by Stephen King, starring Tom Hanks and featuring Michael Clarke Duncan. Retired warder Paul Edgecomb remembers his time in charge of death-row inmates in a Louisiana penitentiary, and the strange powers of convicted child killer John Coffey. **Review page 87.**

Paul Edgecomb	**Tom Hanks**	Arlen Bitterbuck	**Graham Greene**
John Coffey	**Michael Clarke Duncan**	Percy Wetmore	**Doug Hutchison**
Brutus "Brutal" Howell	**David Morse**	"Wild Bill" Wharton	**Sam Rockwell**
Jan Edgecomb	**Bonnie Hunt**	Toot-Toot	**Harry Dean Stanton**
Warden Hal Moores	**James Cromwell**	Old Paul Edgecomb	**Dabbs Greer**
Eduard Delacroix	**Michael Jeter**		

Director Frank Darabont (1999, 18) (S) (AD) (HD)

2.35am Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA CeCe successfully opened Florida eatery Anna Vincenzo's in 2001 but for the last two years, inexplicably, the business has been going downhill. Gordon Ramsay bulldozes his way to the root of the problem – but strong-willed CeCe doesn't respond well to the chef's criticisms. (R) (S)
3.30 Hollyoaks Omnibus. Tensions run high at Darren and Mandy's. Cast pp171/241 (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)
4.50 *A Very British Country House 4/4.* A boutique hotel brand capitalises on Cliveden House's reputation for scandal by shooting an ad there. (R) (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)
5.45–6.05am Kirstie's Vintage Gems Kirstie Allsopp creates a 1960s-themed pad. (R) (S) (HD)

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BBC4

Wisting *9.00pm* While her father investigates a murder, Line has a case of her own to deal with



7.00pm The Sound of Movie Musicals with Neil Brand
3/3. Back in the 1970s, both Martin Scorsese's *New York, New York* and Francis Ford Coppola's *One from the Heart* failed to attract audiences. But change was in the air. Ken Russell's film of the Who's rock opera *Tommy* and Mel Brooks's unforgettable *The Producers* broke new boundaries, while Michael Schultz's *Car Wash* reinvigorated the genre with the inclusion of soul and disco.
Repeated 1.10am (R) (S) (HD)

8.00 Royal Institution Christmas Lectures: Secrets and Lies – the Hidden Power of Maths
3/3. **How Can We All Win?** Dr Hannah Fry explores the limits of our control, from dangerous miscalculations to creating and spotting fake videos, and questions how far our mathematical skills should be relied upon. A BMX stunt that defies gravity kick-starts the debate around trusting the numbers. Together with comedian Matt Parker, Hannah uses flaming balloons and gigantic slices of melting cheese to rationalise the guesswork used in real-world calculations.
Signed repeat 2.10am (S) (HD)

9.00 Wisting
RT ***New series. 1/10.*** Norwegian crime drama. William Wisting, a widowed senior detective in the Norwegian coastal town of Larvik, leads a murder investigation after a body is found in snow. The clothes on the corpse show that the person killed was an American, and an FBI team is immediately flown in. (HD)
9.45 ***2/10.*** The investigation is making progress with the input of the FBI agents, but Griffin cannot adjust to Larvik's sleepy ways and finds some of her new colleagues unprofessional. Norwegian, English +subtitles. **See page 178.** (HD)

William Wisting	**Sven Nordin**
Maggie Griffin	**Carrie-Anne Moss**
Line Wisting	**Thea Green Lundberg**
Nils Hammer	**Mads Ousdal**
Thomas Wisting	**Jonas Strand Gravli**
Benjamin Fjeld	**Lars Berge**
Torunn Borg	**Kjersti Sandal**
John Bantham	**Richie Campbell**
Andrea Vetti	**Irina Eidsvold Toien**
Christine Thiis	**Ulrikke Hansen Dovigen**
Frank Robekk	**Gard B Eidsvold**

10.30 Inspector Montalbano
RT *Series 1.* **Excursion to Tindari.** The detective investigates a man's murder and the disappearance of an elderly couple, but discovers that the seemingly unrelated cases are linked to a plot involving Sicilian mobsters. Italian +subtitles. Another episode New Year's Day 11.35pm. **See page 178.** (R) (HD)
12.25am TOTP2 at Christmas Performances by Elton John, the Goodies and Mark Ronson. First shown on BBC2 (S)
1.10 The Sound of Movie Musicals with Neil Brand Shown 7pm (S) (HD)
2.10–3.10am Royal Institution Christmas Lectures Shown 8pm (S) (SL)

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Regional variations

BBC SCOTLAND
As BBC2 until:
6.50pm Beechgrove Repotted **7.00** The Seven **7.15** 365 Days **8.15** The Snow Queen **9.40** Scotland's Big Night Out **10.40** Deacon Blue Live at Stirling Castle
11.35–11.55 Bunny

STV
1.25am Animal Mums (R) (S) (SL) (HD)
2.15–6.00 Nightscreen (HD)

BBC1 WALES
11.30am–12 noon Our Food, Our Family with Michela Chiappa

BBC2 WALES
8.20–9.20pm Sam Warburton: Full Contact

BBC1 NORTHERN IRELAND
4.30–5.10pm Final Score: including at 5.00 Final Score from Northern Ireland

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SATURDAY Freeview

Channel 5 5



The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian *1.25pm* Peter and Caspian

Freeview 5 **Freesat** 105 **Sky** 105 **Virgin** 105
HD **Freeview** 105 **Freesat** 105 **Virgin** 150

6.00am Milkshake! See page 185
9.20 Access (S) (HD)
9.25 Friends *Series 9.* Phoebe fails to impress her boyfriend's parents.
9.55 Rachel's sister spoils Thanksgiving.
10.30 Chandler visits Monica.
11.05 Rachel meets her stand-in. (S) (HD)
11.35 Babe ★★★★ Fantasy comedy starring James Cromwell. Orphaned pig Babe astonishes Farmer Hoggett when he shows talent as a "sheep-pig". Director Chris Noonan (1995, U) (S) (W) (HD)
1.25 The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian ★★★ Fantasy adventure sequel starring Ben Barnes and Georgie Henley. The Pevensie children join the struggle to deliver Narnia from the dark forces of the tyrannical Lord Miraz. Director Andrew Adamson (2008, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

4.15pm LIVE Rugby Union Harlequins v Leicester Tigers Coverage of the Premiership fixture at Twickenham (kick-off **4.30**). (S) (HD)

6.35 Criminals: Caught on Camera Journalist Nick Wallis discovers how CCTV and technological advances are helping to bring criminals to justice. Series producer Marcus Sulley (S) (HD)

7.00 *New.* World's Strongest Man James Richardson, Eddie Hall and Michelle Ackerley present action from heat two of the showpiece event. (S) (HD)

7.55 5 News (S) (HD)

8.00 Mamma Mia! ★★★★ Romantic comedy featuring the music of Abba. On an idyllic Greek island, Sophie prepares to marry the man of her dreams. But a problem looks set to blight the big day as the bride doesn't know who her father is. **Review page 86.**

Donna	**Meryl Streep**
Harry Bright	**Colin Firth**
Sam Carmichael	**Pierce Brosnan**
Sophie	**Amanda Seyfried**
Bill	**Stellan Skarsgård**

Director Phyllida Lloyd (2008, PG) (S) (W) (HD)
Also showing New Year's Eve 2.50pm
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10.15 Calendar Girls ★★★★ Comedy drama based on a true story. When Annie's husband dies from leukaemia, Chris suggests they and their WI colleagues raise money by posing nude for a calendar. **Review page 90.**

Chris	**Helen Mirren**
Annie	**Julie Walters**
Ruth	**Penelope Wilton**
Jessie	**Annette Crosbie**
Celia	**Celia Imrie**

Director Nigel Cole (2003, 12) (S) (W) (HD)
Also showing New Year's Eve 5pm

12.20am Julie Walters: by Her Friends (S) (HD) **1.15 *New.*** Casino (S) (HD) **3.15** Access (S) (HD) **3.30** Autopsy: Kurt Cobain (S) (HD) **4.20** The Last Days of Richard Pryor (S) (HD) **5.10–6.00am** The Funny Thing about Christmas (S) (HD)

+1 **Freeview** 44 **Freesat** 128 **Sky** 205 **Virgin** 155

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ITV2 6



Happy Feet Two *5.10pm* Mumble and friends embark on a rescue mission

F'view 6 **F'sat** 113 **Sky** 118 **Virgin** 115 **HD** **Virgin** 176

6.00am Emmerdale: omnibus (S) (SL) (AD) (HD) **8.45** Coronation Street: omnibus (S) (AD) (HD)
12.15pm The Big Soap Quiz: Coronation Street v Emmerdale (S) (HD) **1.15 FILM** SPYkids 2: the Island of Lost Dreams ★★★★ Adventure (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **3.20 FILM** The Flintstones in Viva Rock Vegas ★★★ Comedy (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **5.10 FILM** Happy Feet Two ★★★ Adventure (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

7.10pm Jurassic Park III ★★★ Sci-fi adventure. Dr Alan Grant is persuaded by a couple to accompany them on a sight-seeing flight over the dinosaur-inhabited Isla Sorna. But he soon discovers that he has been used as a pawn in a game that will once again bring him face to face with the giant reptiles.

Dr Alan Grant	**Sam Neill**
Paul Kirby	**William H Macy**
Amanda Kirby	**Téa Leoni**
Billy Brennan	**Alessandro Nivola**
Eric Kirby	**Trevor Morgan**

Director Joe Johnston (2001, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

9.00 The Hangover: Part II ★★★ Comedy. Two years after their disastrous trip to Las Vegas, the Wolf Pack head to Thailand for a stag party – but, as always, things don't go to plan.

Phil Wenneck	**Bradley Cooper**
Stu Price	**Ed Helms**
Alan Garner	**Zach Galifianakis**
Doug Billings	**Justin Bartha**
Mr Chow	**Ken Jeong**

Director Todd Phillips (2011, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.10 Family Guy *Series 15.* Brian and Lois try to help Chris manage his anger. (S) (AD) (HD)
11.35 Quagmire decides to become a gigolo to earn money. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.05am American Dad! (S) (AD) (HD)
1.05 Plebs (S) (HD) **1.35 FILM** Contagion ★★★ Disaster thriller (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
3.35 Through the Keyhole (S) (AD) (HD)
4.25 BGT: Top Ten Crown Jewels (S) (HD)
5.15 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **5.40–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITV2+1 **Freeview** 27 **Freesat** 114 **Sky** 218 **Virgin** 116

ITV4 24

F'view 24 **F'sat** 117 **Sky** 120 **Virgin** 118 **HD** **Virgin** 178

6.00am Goals of the 80s (S) (HD) **6.10** The Protectors (S) (SL) **6.35** The Professionals (S) (SL) (AD) **7.25** The Big Fish Off (S) (HD) **8.25** Monster Carp (S) (AD) (HD) **9.30 *New.*** Racing: the Opening Show (S) (HD) **10.30** The Professionals (S) (AD) **11.35** The Sweeney (S)
12.40pm Mr Bean (AD) (HD) **1.15** World of Sport: Kings of the Canvas (S) (HD) **1.30 LIVE** Racing: coverage from Cheltenham, Lingfield Park and Leicester (S) (HD) **4.00** World of Sport: Petrol Heads (S) (HD) **4.20 FILM** Lawman ★★ Western (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
6.25pm FILM The Cowboys ★★ Western starring John Wayne. (S) (W) (HD)
9.00 FILM Unforgiven ★★★★★ Oscar-winning western starring Clint Eastwood, Gene Hackman, Morgan Freeman and Richard Harris. **Review p77.** (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
11.35 FILM Rambo III ★★ Action drama starring Sylvester Stallone. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
1.45am Football Genius (S) (HD) **2.10** Speed Freaks (S) (HD) **3.05** The Americans (S) (AD) (HD) **4.05** Nightscreen (HD) **4.20–6.00am** Columbo: Death Hits the Jackpot (S) (SL) (HD)

ITV4 +1 **Freesat** 154 **Sky** 220 **Virgin** 175

ITV3 10



The Queen *5.00pm* The monarch (Helen Mirren) faces a national crisis

F'view 10 **F'sat** 115 **Sky** 119 **Virgin** 117 **HD** **Virgin** 177

6.00am The Royal (S) (AD) (HD) **6.55** On the Buses (BW) (S) **7.55 FILM** On the Buses ★ Comedy starring Reg Varney (S) (AD) (HD) **9.40 FILM** Carry On Dick ★★★ Comedy starring Sidney James (S) (W) **11.25 FILM** Carry On at Your Convenience ★★ Comedy starring Sidney James (S) (AD)
1.10pm FILM Bugsy Malone ★★★★ Spoof gangster musical starring Scott Baio (S) (W)
3.00 Agatha Christie's Marple (S) (AD) (HD)

5.00pm The Queen ★★★★★ Oscar-winning historical drama. Following the death of Princess Diana, the royal family struggles to acknowledge the nation's unprecedented display of collective grief. As old-fashioned royal protocol begins to crumble, the newly elected Labour government seeks a solution to the mounting crisis. **Review p90.**

Queen Elizabeth II	**Helen Mirren**
Tony Blair	**Michael Sheen**
Prince Philip	**James Cromwell**
HM The Queen Mother	**Sylvia Syms**
Prince Charles	**Alex Jennings**

Director Stephen Frears (2006, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

7.00 Midsomer Murders **The Ballad of Midsomer County.** When the organiser of a folk festival is found dead, it seems the murder may have been inspired by a ballad made famous by a late, lamented singer. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Vera **RT** *3/4 Series 7.* **Broken Promise** DCI Vera Stanhope investigates the murder of a promising university student, who fell to his death in suspicious circumstances. **See page 178.** (S) (AD) (HD)

11.00 A Touch of Frost **Paying the Price.** Jack's house burns down, forcing him to move in with a colleague. At work, he becomes involved in the search for a kidnapper after a young woman disappears. (S) (AD)
1.05am Inspector Morse (S) (HD) **4.55** Wild at Heart (S) **5.45–6.00am** Nightscreen

+1 **F'view** 34 *(9pm–midnight)* **F'sat** 116 **Sky** 219 **Virgin** 174

ITVBe 26

F'view 26 **F'sat** 118 **Sky** 131 **Virgin** 119 **HD** **Virgin** 179

6.00am Bring It! (HD) **7.50** The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills (S) (HD) **8.45** Be Beautiful (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** LittleBe (HD)
12 noon Cake Wars (S) (HD) **12.55pm** The Real Housewives of Potomac (S) (AD) (HD)
1.50 Celebrity Dinner Date (S) (AD) (HD)
5.00pm Gemma Collins: Diva Forever Gemma appears on *Good Morning Britain*, where her political opinions hit the headlines.
6.00 Gemma decides to call time on her turbulent relationship with Arg.
7.00 Gemma struggles to move on with her break from Arg in time for an LA trip. (S) (HD)
8.00 Celebrity Dinner Date Marcel Somerville chooses three dates. (S) (AD) (HD)
9.00 Botched A "distorted derrière". (HD)
10.00 Terry Dubrow tries to help a paraplegic model achieve her dream. (S) (AD) (HD)
11.00 Ibiza Weekender El Jefe goes on a date, leaving Savvas in charge. (S) (HD)
12 midnight The Millionaire Matchmaker (S) (HD)
1.00am Vanderpump Rules: triple bill (S) (HD)
3.20 Bachelor in Paradise: double bill (HD)
5.30–6.00am Nightscreen (HD)

ITVBe +1 **Freesat** 119 **Sky** 231 **Virgin** 120

Drama 20



The Wind in the Willows *12 noon* Mole, Toad, Badger and Rat team up

Freeview 20 **Freesat** 158 **Sky** 143 **Virgin** 130

7.00am Birds of a Feather **8.00** Lovejoy (S)
12 noon The Wind in the Willows: Matt Lucas stars (S) **2.05pm** Call the Midwife (S) (AD) (HD)

6.40pm Call the Midwife ***3/8*** *Series 6.* Dr Turner and Shelagh prepare for an inspection that will decide the maternity home's fate. (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Father Brown ***8/15*** *Series 3.* **The Lair of the Libertines** Finding themselves stranded with a group of hedonists, tThe priest and his friends are desperate to escape, fearful that their lives are in danger. (S) (AD) (HD)

Father Brown	**Mark Williams**
Lady Felicia	**Nancy Carroll**
Insp Sullivan	**Tom Chambers**
Sgt Goodfellow	**John Burton**
Syrus	**Ace Bhatti**

9.00 Death in Paradise ***8/8*** *Series 5.* **Flames of Love.** A student backpacker is found dead in the showers of the hostel where she has been staying, and all the evidence points to suicide. But Humphrey is convinced there's more to the case than meets the eye. JP prepares for the biggest day of his life – but is he about to get cold feet? (S) (AD) (HD)

DI Humphrey Goodman	**Kris Marshall**
Officer Dwayne Myers	**Danny John-Jules**
DS Florence Cassell	**Joséphine Jobert**
Officer JP Hooper	**Tobi Bakare**
Catherine Bordey	**Elizabeth Bourgine**

10.20 Silent Witness ***3/5*** *Series 20.* **Remembrance.** The body of 20 year-old Lorna Katz is found in the River Lea, with evidence suggesting she was tied up somewhere before she floated downstream. Her death soon takes on a more sinister significance when it turns out that Lorna was the best friend of Ruth Tresize, a teenager who disappeared three years previously. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.55am The White Princess: Lizzie confronts new demons (S) (AD) (HD) **2.20** New Tricks **3.10–4.00am** The Heart Guy (HD)

Drama +1 **Sky** 243 **Virgin** 226

Dave 19

F'view 19 **F'sat** 157 **Sky** 111 **Virgin** 127 **HD** **Virgin** 227 **BT** 387

7.10am Modern Wheels or Classic Steals (S) (HD) **7.35** World's Most Dangerous Roads (S) (HD) **8.25** Soapbox Race (HD) **9.25** Eddie Eats America (S) (HD) **10.25** Top Gear: Top Fails (AD)
12.30pm Top Gear Bolivia Special: the team uses second-hand 4x4s to negotiate the Amazon basin and reach Chile (S) (AD) (HD) **2.10** Room 101 (HD) **4.10** Would I Lie to You? (S) (HD)
6.00pm Soapbox Race 2018 Teams of amateur racers test out their homemade soapboxes in Johannesburg. (HD)
8.00 QI With Joe Lycett and Phil Wang. (HD)
9.00 Would I Lie to You? Guests include Greg Davies, Konnie Huq and Phil Tufnell. (S) (HD)
9.40 With Bill Oddie, Frank Skinner, Jon Richardson and Sarah Millican. (S) (HD)
10.20 Mock the Week With Tom Allen, Ed Byrne, Rhys James and Nish Kumar. (S) (HD)
11.00 Taskmaster *4/5* *Series 3.* The contestants must hand an item of clothing to a cyclist. (S) (HD)
12 midnight Have I Got a Bit More Old News for You (S) (HD) **1.00am** QI (HD) **2.15** Sliced (S) (AD) (HD) **2.50** Would I Lie to You? (S) (HD)
3.20–4.00am Mock the Week (S) (HD)

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More4 18



Last Vegas *11.05pm* Sam, Archie, Paddy and Billy cause chaos in Sin City

F'view 18 **F'sat** 124 **Sky** 136 **Virgin** 147 **HD** **Virgin** 195

8.55am Food Unwrapped (S) (AD) (HD) **9.30** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun (S) (HD) **11.30 FILM** The Jewel of the Nile ★★★★ Action adventure starring Michael Douglas (S) (HD)
1.35pm Four in a Bed (S) (HD)
4.20pm Come Dine with Me Asian-inspired cuisine and a menu informed by 1980s pop feature in Sheffield. (S) (HD)
7.00 Britain's Best Loved Sitcoms *1/2.* The shows that have had us laughing out loud over the past 50 years. (S) (HD)
8.00 Emergency Helicopter Medics *Ep 7 Series 3.* A man requires urgent care after falling from his motorbike. (S) (AD) (HD)
9.00 24 Hours in A&E A woman with suspected sepsis. (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** Richard arrives with the symptoms of a stroke. (S) (AD) (HD)
11.05 Last Vegas ★★★ Comedy starring Robert De Niro, Morgan Freeman, Michael Douglas and Kevin Kline. Four old pals in their twilight years get together in Sin City.
Director Jon Turteltaub (2013, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
1.10am Eight out of Ten Cats Does Countdown (S) (HD) **2.15** 24 Hours in A&E (S) (AD) (HD) **3.20–3.50am** Father Ted (S) (AD)

More4 +1 **Freeview** 86 **Freesat** 125 **Sky** 236 **Virgin** 196

E4 13

F'view 13 **F'sat** 122 **Sky** 135 **Virgin** 106 **HD** **Virgin** 145

6.00am Rude(ish) Tube Shorts **6.10** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **7.55** Made in Chelsea: Christmas in Buenos Aires **9.00** Baby Daddy **9.30** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **11.30 FILM** Doctor Dolittle ★★★ Comedy starring Eddie Murphy (W)
1.20pm FILM Dr Dolittle 2 ★★ Comedy (W) **3.05** The Big Bang Theory (AD)
6.00pm The Big Bang Theory *20/24 Series 10.* Sheldon pushes himself. (AD) **6.30** *21/24.* Bernadette returns to work at the end of her maternity leave. (AD)
7.00 FILM Home Alone 3 ★★★ Comedy starring Alex D Linz. Young Master Pruitt is at home with chicken pox, but he's not going to be alone for long. (W)
9.00 FILM Breaking Dawn Part Two ★★★ Romantic horror fantasy, the final film in the *Twilight* saga, starring Kristen Stewart, Robert Pattinson and Taylor Lautner. Bella is now married to Edward. But the arrival of their daughter looks certain to bring them into conflict with the all-powerful Volturi. (AD) (W) **11.20 Gogglebox** (AD)
1.30am Naked Attraction: double bill (AD) **3.30** The Inbetweeners: double bill (SL) (AD) **4.30–6.00am** Melissa & Joey: double bill

E4 +1 **Freeview** 28 **Freesat** 123 **Sky** 235 **Virgin** 146

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F'view 47 **F'sat** 127 **Sky** 137 **Virgin** 143 **HD** **F'view** 110

9.00am Come Dine with Me **2.00pm** A Place in the Sun **3.00** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun **5.00** A Place in the Sun **6.00** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **7.00** The Snowman and the Snowdog: charming animated sequel (AD) **7.35** Father Christmas (AD) **8.00** The Tiger Who Came to Tea (AD) **8.35** The Great Christmas Bake Off **See choice, page 141** Shown Christmas Day 7.10pm C4 (AD) **9.50** Richard Osman's World Cup of the Decade **See choice, page 169** Shown Friday 27 December 9pm C4 (AD) **11.15** The Inbetweeners: Fwends Reunited (AD) **1.15am** Kylie's Secret Night (AD) **2.50** Gogglesprogs (AD) **3.50–4.50am** Celebrity Crystal Maze (AD)

Paramount Network 54



Field of Dreams *9.00pm* Ray Kinsella is inspired by a mysterious voice

F'view 54 **F'sat** 132 **Sky** 153 **Virgin** 188 **HD** **Virgin** 187

9.00am The Office US (HD) **10.00** Now That's Funny! **11.00** House (HD)
4.00pm FILM Great Expectations ★★ Adaptation of the classic Charles Dickens period drama from BBC Films, starring Jeremy Irvine, Ralph Fiennes and Helena Bonham Carter. **Review page 77** (HD)
6.15pm Sense and Sensibility ★★★★★ Oscar-winning period romantic drama, based on the novel by Jane Austen. Emma Thompson writes and stars with Kate Winslet in the story of the Dashwood sisters.
Director Ang Lee (1995, U) (HD)
9.00 Field of Dreams ★★★★ Fantasy drama. An unfulfilled Iowa farmer hears a mysterious voice that inspires him to build a baseball field.

Ray Kinsella	**Kevin Costner**
Annie Kinsella	**Amy Madigan**
Karin Kinsella	**Gaby Hoffman**
"Shoeless" Joe Jackson	**Ray Liotta**
Mark	**Timothy Busfield**

Director Phil Alden Robinson (1989, PG) (HD)
11.10 No Good Deed ★★ Crime thriller starring Taraji P Henson, Idris Elba and Leslie Bibb.
Director Sam Miller (2014, 15) (HD)
12.55am LA to Vegas: seven episodes (HD) **3.45–6.00am** Neighbours (S) (AD) (HD)

Pick 11

Freeview 11 **Freesat** 144 **Sky** 152 **Virgin** 165

6.00am Nothing to Declare: back-to-back episodes of the fly-on-the-wall documentary following the work of customs officers in Australia **11.00** Send in the Dogs **12 noon** Monkeys: an Amazing Animal Family (AD) **3.00pm** The Chase **6.00** Motorway Patrol **7.00** Caught Red Handed: triple bill. A workman who stole a dumper truck **7.40** Dom Littlewood investigates the case of a deaf girl traumatised by burglars **8.20** A burglar is caught out. **9.00** Brit Cops: Frontline Crime UK: police officers in west Wales deal with violent drunks and drug dealers, as well as a dangerous domestic incident **10.00** Road Wars **11.00** Killer in My Village **4.00–6.00am** Caught Red Handed

Pick +1 **Freeview** 92 **Freesat** 145 **Sky** 252

Sony Channel 48

Freeview 48 *(limited)* **Freesat** 142 **Sky** 157 **Virgin** 189

6.00am The Waltons **9.00** Hart to Hart **2.00pm** Charlie's Angels **4.00** TJ Hooker **6.00** Starsky & Hutch: triple bill. A witness is murdered **7.00** The detective duo search for a kingpin **8.00** Dave is taken hostage by a gang of cultists **9.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? **1.00am** Charlie's Angels **3.00** M*A*S*H **3.30** The Waltons **4.20** The Waltons: double bill **5.10–6.00am** Touched by an Angel

Sony Channel +1 **Freesat** 152 **Sky** 257

Horror Channel 70

Freeview 70 **Freesat** 138 **Sky** 317 **Virgin** 149

8.00am FILM Primal Force ★ Sci-fi horror starring Ron Perlman **9.50** Highlights **10.00** Mutant X **3.00pm** Arabian Nights: fantasy adventure with Mili Avital **6.40 FILM** Krull ★★★ Fantasy adventure starring Ken Marshall **9.00 P FILM** Wolves ★★ Action horror starring Jason Momoa and Lucas Till **10.50 FILM** Bound to Vengeance ★★ Horror thriller starring Tina Ivlev and Richard Tyson **12.25am FILM** Halloween III: Season of the Witch ★★ Sci-fi horror starring Tom Atkins and Daniel O'Herlihy **2.20–4.30am FILM** The Thing ★★★★ Sci-fi horror starring Kurt Russell and A Wilford Brimley

5 USA 21

Freeview 21 **Freesat** 129 **Sky** 141 **Virgin** 153

9.00am Access **9.10** Criminals: Caught on Camera (S) **9.35** CSI: NY (S) **11.20** Murder, She Wrote (S) (AD) **1.25pm** Columbo: Murder, a Self-Portrait (S) **3.25** Columbo: Swan Song (S) **5.30** Columbo: Short Fuse (S) (AD) **7.05** NCIS *Series 14.* Double bill. Torres breaks protocol, then Ellie questions her past at the NSA (S) (AD) **9.00** Law & Order: Criminal Intent (S) **10.00** NCIS *Series 14* Double bill. A woman's life is threatened, then a navy captain is murdered (S) (AD) **11.55** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (S) (AD)
12.55am CSI: Miami: double bill (S) (AD) **2.50** Person of Interest (S) **3.50–4.00am** Access

5 USA +1 **F'view** 57 (not 2-4am) **F'sat** 130 **Sky** 241 **Virgin** 185

5 Star 30

Freeview 30 **Freesat** 131 **Sky** 128 **Virgin** 151

8.00am Access (S) (HD) **8.10** 3rd Rock from the Sun (S) (HD) **8.35** Will & Grace (S) (HD) **10.20** Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away (S) (AD) (HD) **11.15** World's Strongest Man (S) (HD)
2.15pm Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away (S) (HD)
3.10 FILM Mr Deeds ★ Comedy (S) (HD)
5.05 FILM Bride Wars ★★ Comedy with Anne Hathaway and Kate Hudson (S) (HD)
6.55 FILM What Happens in Vegas ★★ Romantic comedy starring Cameron Diaz and Ashton Kutcher (S) (HD) **9.00 FILM** Cocktail ★★ Romantic drama starring Tom Cruise and Elisabeth Shue (HD) **11.05 FILM** Indecent Proposal ★★★★ Drama starring Robert Redford and Demi Moore (HD)
1.30am A Gypsy Christmas (S) (HD) **2.25** Santa Makes You Laugh Out Loud (S) (HD) **3.25** 3rd Rock from the Sun (S) (HD) **3.50–4.00am** Access (S) (HD)

5 Star +1 **Freeview** 56 **Sky** 228 **Virgin** 186

5 Spike 31

Freeview 31 **Freesat** 141 **Sky** 150 **Virgin** 154

9.00am Access (HD) **9.10** Criminals: Caught on Camera (HD) **9.45** Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away (HD) **11.55 FILM** The Kansan ★★★ Western (HD) **1.35pm FILM** MacArthur ★★★ Biographical drama (HD) **4.15 FILM** Major Dundee ★★★ Western (HD) **6.55 FILM** Lancaster Skies ★★ Second World War drama (HD) **9.00 FILM** Homefront ★★★ Action thriller starring Jason Statham (AD) (HD) **11.10 FILM** Man of the West ★★★★ Western starring Gary Cooper (HD)
1.15am Fights, Camera, Action! (HD) **2.15** Criminals: Caught on Camera (HD) **2.50–3.00am** Access (HD)

5 Spike +1 **Sky** 250

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Freeview 55 **Freesat** 133 **Sky** 159 **Virgin** 152

9.00am Criminals: Caught on Camera **9.20** Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords **10.10** The Yorkshire Vet **4.00pm** World War I in Colour: five editions. How the conflict occurred **5.00** The Germans' rout of the Russian Second Army in 1914 **6.00** Fighting reaches unprecedented levels of violence in 1915 **7.00** After three years, troops on both sides reach breaking point **8.00** British troops boast victories in the Middle East **9.00** WW2: the True Cost of War **11.00** How They Built the Titanic **12 midnight** The Freddie Mercury Story: Who Wants to Live Forever? **2.00am** CSI: Miami **3.55–4.00am** Access

CBS Justice 39

Freeview 39 **Freesat** 137 **Sky** 148 **Virgin** 192

8.30am The Key of David **9.00** Diagnosis Murder **2.00pm** NCIS **7.00** 48 Hours: Mystery: double bill. Erin Moriarty investigates the case of a daughter who wants to try and convict her father's killer, then correspondent Peter Van Sant speak to a man who posed as a hired gun **9.00** CSI: NY **2.00am** Ultimate Force **3.10** Bonanza **4.05** The High Chaparral **4.55–6.00am** Mission: Impossible

CBS Drama 71

Freeview 71 **Freesat** 134 **Sky** 147 **Virgin** 197

7.30am Tomorrow's World: hosts present their views and opinions on the Bible **8.00** Home Shopping **9.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **2.00pm** Medical Detectives **4.00** Judge Judy: ten back-to-back editions of real-life small-claims cases **9.00** Psychic Private Eyes: Deana Donovan asks the Psychic Private Eyes to help solve the mystery of her dead husband's shooting in Aberdeen **10.00** Medium **3.00–6.00am** Judge Judy

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Yesterday 25

Freeview 25 **Freesat** 159 **Sky** 155 **Virgin** 129

6.00am War Above the Trenches (S) (AD) (HD) **7.10** History's Ultimate Spies (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** The World at War (S) (HD) **11.00** David Attenborough's Natural Curiosities (S) (AD) (HD) **6.00pm** David Attenborough's Natural Curiosities: double bill. The emperor penguin and the wood frog, then creatures that spin and weave (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Big in America: British Hits in the USA (S) **8.00** Duran Duran: There's Something You Should Know (S) (HD) **9.00** Tom Jones at the BBC **11.00** Abandoned Engineering: a seemingly endless concrete line stretching through the countryside (S) (AD) (HD) **12 midnight–3.00am** Abandoned Engineering: three back-to-back editions (S) (AD) (HD)

Yesterday +1 **Sky** 255 **Virgin** 200

Really 17

Freeview 17 **Freesat** 160 **Sky** 142 **Virgin** 128

6.00am Homes under the Hammer (HD) **7.00** Home Shopping **8.00** Fantasy Homes by the Sea (HD) **9.00** Antiques Road Trip: 12 back-to-back editions (HD) **9.00pm** Helicopter ER: Dr Paul is worried his young patient may have a lethal brain haemorrhage (HD) **10.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad (HD) **11.00** Ghost Adventures: Hauntings of Vicksburg: Zak digs into the site of a battlefield where 6,000 men were killed (HD) **12 midnight** Unexplained: Caught on Camera (HD) **1.00am** Help! My House Is Haunted (HD) **2.00** Home Shopping **4.00** How to Look Good Naked: with a Difference (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Antiques Road Trip: from Bilsington to Sandwich (HD)

Home 42

Freeview 42 **Freesat** 166 **Sky** 158 **Virgin** 279

7.00am Beeny's Restoration Nightmare: 11 back-to-back episodes of the restoration show **6.00pm** Beeny's Restoration Nightmare: six editions. The project to transform a stately home comes to an end **7.00** Sarah Beeny continues her renovation project in Rise Hall **8.00** Sarah Beeny tries to renovate the morning and drawing rooms **9.00** Sarah Beeny focuses on a playroom for the whole family **10.00** Sarah and Graham renovate three bathrooms **11.00** The couple try to transform the old servants' quarters into a pub-themed room **12 midnight–4.00am** Beeny's Restoration Nightmare: four back-to-back editions

Home +1 **Sky** 258 **Virgin** 283

Quest 12

F'view 12 **F'sat** 172 **Sky** 144 **Virgin** 169 **HD** **F'view** 114 **F'sat** 167

6.00am Shed and Buried (HD) **11.00** Find It, Fix It, Flog It: seven back-to-back editions (HD) **6.00pm** Find It, Fix It, Flog It: double bill. Items include a butter churn and a slot machine, then Simon O'Brien repurposes some old suitcases (HD) **8.00** Salvage Hunters: double bill. a tour of France and the UK Midlands **10.00** ***New.*** Border Control: Spain: double bill following the Security and Customs Services at the borders of Spain (HD) **11.00** Nasa's Unexplained Files: double bill. Featuring a comet that appeared to be an alien spacecraft, then looking at the mysterious trails on the lunar surface near the Apollo landing sites, as well as a strange space object (HD)
1.00am Chasing Classic Cars (HD) **2.00** Wheels That Fail (HD) **3.00** Destroyed in Seconds **4.00** Combat Dealers (AD) (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Overhaulin'

Quest +1 **F'view** 76 (7pm-4am) **F'sat** 168 **Sky** 244 **Virgin** 213

Challenge 46

Freeview 46 **Freesat** 146 **Sky** 151 **Virgin** 164

7.00am Catchphrase **9.00** Wheel of Fortune **12 noon** Pointless Celebrities **3.00pm** Bullseye **6.00** The Chase Celebrity Special: four editions. Including Joe Pasquale and Austin Healey **7.00** Guests include Dan Lobb **8.00** Including Suzi Perry, Ian "H" Watkins and Crissy Rock **9.00** Including Russell Watson (AD) **10.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? **11.00** Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? Celebrity Special **1.00am** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? **3.00** Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? Celebrity Special **4.00** Bullseye **4.30–6.00am** Winter Wipeout

Challenge +1 **Freesat** 147 **Sky** 251 **Virgin** 230

BBC Parliament 232

Freeview 232 **Freesat** 201 **Sky** 504 **Virgin** 605

6.00am Political Highlights **12 noon** Reflections **12.30pm** Highlights **1.30** Booktalk **1.45** Lectures **2.15** Welsh FMQs **3.15** BOOKtalk **3.30** Reflections **4.00** Highlights **5.00** BOOKtalk **5.15** Lectures **5.45** Highlights **6.45** BOOKtalk **7.00** Reflections **7.30** Highlights **8.00** Mayor's Question Time **9.00** BOOKtalk **9.15** Properties **9.25** Lectures **9.55** Highlights **10.55** BOOKtalk **11.10** Reflections **11.40–6.00am** Political Highlights

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Premier League Football *5.00pm* Spurs are in action

Sky 1

Sky 106 **Virgin** 110 HD **Virgin** 109

6.00am Futurama (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Kylie Minogue Showgirl: the Greatest Hits Tour (HD) **9.05** The Simpsons (S) (HD) **10.30** Soccer AM (HD) **12 noon** Football's Funniest Moments (S) (HD) **1.00pm** The Simpsons (S) (HD) **3.00** ***New.*** Soccer Saturday (HD)

5.00pm LIVE Premier League Football Norwich City v Tottenham Hotspur at Carrow Road (kick-off **5.30**). (HD)

8.00 The Simpsons The family goes on a cruise. (S) (HD) **8.30** Homer receives marital advice from a movie star. (S) (HD)

9.00 Romesh's Look Back to the Future Comedy panel show, with guests Tom Davis, Jo Brand and Gino D'Acampo. (HD)

10.00 Planes, Trains and Automobiles ★★★★ Comedy starring Steve Martin and John Candy. Two strangers get lumbered with each other as they try to make it home for Thanksgiving. (W) (HD)

12 midnight A League of Their Own (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00am** Harry Potter: a Who's Who of the Wizarding World (HD) **2.00** Kylie Minogue Showgirl: the Greatest Hits Tour (HD) **4.20–6.00am** Motorway Patrol (S) (HD)

Sky 1 +1 **Sky** 206

Sky Arts

Sky 122 **Virgin** 123 HD **Virgin** 156

6.00am Katherine Jenkins Live at the O$_2$ (S) (HD) **8.00** Sinatra: the Man and His Music (S) **9.00** Discovering: Queen (S) **10.00** Celebrity Portrait Artist of the Year 2019 (HD) **11.00** The Gardens of Pompeii (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** Gene Kelly: to Live and Dance (S) (HD) **1.00pm** Twiggy: the Face of the 60s (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00** Kylie Minogue Showgirl: the Greatest Hits Tour (HD) **4.15** Ed Sheeran: Austin City Limits (HD) **5.30** David Bowie: a Reality Tour (HD)

6.45pm Coldplay: Live in Sao Paulo A concert film capturing the climax of the band's record-breaking A Head Full of Dreams tour, featuring hits including *Yellow*, *The Scientist*, *Paradise*, *Clocks* and *In My Place*. (HD)

9.00 Guns n' Roses: Appetite for Democracy A concert by the band filmed at the Joint in Las Vegas's Hard Rock Casino, featuring songs including *Mr Brownstone*, *You Could Be Mine* and *Sweet Child o' Mine*. (HD)

11.30 The Decade the Music Died A celebration of music stars who died in the 2010s, Including Aretha Franklin, Prince, Amy Winehouse, George Michael, David Bowie and Keith Flint. (HD)

1.05am Queen: from Rags to Rhapsody (HD) **2.20** Queen and Adam Lambert: the Show Must Go On (S) (HD) **4.05** Video Killed the Radio Star (S) (HD) **4.35–6.00am** The Who: Live at Kilburn 1977 (HD)



Without a Trace *8.00pm* The team tracks a missing teenager

Sky Atlantic

Sky 108

6.00am The Guest Wing (S) (AD) (HD) **6.55** The British (S) (AD) (HD) **8.45** Arthur Miller: Writer (S) (HD) **10.45** Discovering: Marilyn Monroe (S) (AD) **11.45 FILM** Dinosaur 13 ★★★ Documentary (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **1.30pm** Flying Monsters with David Attenborough (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** Making David Attenborough's Flying Monsters (S) (HD) **4.00** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD)

6.00pm Without a Trace ***16/24*** *Series 4.* The team tries to rescue a five-year-old boy. **7.00** ***17/24.*** An agoraphobic agony aunt goes missing. **8.00** ***18/24.*** A 15-year-old with a double life disappears. (S) (HD)

9.00 Game of Thrones ***2/7*** *Series 7.* Daenerys receives an unexpected visitor, Jon faces a revolt, and Tyrion plans the conquest of Westeros. **10.10** ***3/7.*** Cersei returns a gift, Daenerys holds court and Jaime learns from his mistakes. **11.20** ***4/7.*** Daenerys fights back, Jaime deals with the unexpected and Arya returns home. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.20am Elvis Presley: the Searcher (S) (AD) (HD) **2.25** Nurse Jackie (S) (HD) **3.00** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **4.00–6.00am** Urban Secrets (S) (HD)

Sky Atlantic +1 **Sky** 208

Sky Crime

Sky 121 **Virgin** 136 HD **Virgin** 135

6.00am Motorway Patrol (S) (AD) **7.00** Highway Patrol **12 noon** Stop, Search, Seize (S) (AD) **3.00pm** Brit Cops: Rapid Response (S) (AD)

6.00pm Brit Cops: Rapid Response Series following a rapid response team of police officers as they tackle crime. (S) (AD)

7.00 Snapped Stories of apparently normal women who turned to murder. When a Virginia state trooper is killed, fingers point at his new wife, who has a huge secret and a big motive. (S) **8.00** A disturbing secret unravels in a family, pitting a mother against her daughter when the husband is murdered. (S)

9.00 Britain's Most Evil Killers A detective whose career was just starting out in the 1980s discusses investigating Peter Sutcliffe, the Yorkshire Ripper, who murdered 13 women between 1975 and 1981. **10.00** The crime documentary series examines the case of Peter Tobin, the Scottish serial killer. **11.00** The case of Levi Bellfield, who was already in prison for killing two women when he was found guilty of the 2002 murder of Milly Dowler. (S)

12 midnight Britain's Most Evil Killers: Steve Wright (S) **1.00am** The Killing of Jessica Chambers **2.00** How I Caught the Killer: double bill (S) **4.00** The Killing of Jessica Chambers **5.00–6.00am** UK Border Force (S)

Sky Crime +1 **Sky** 221 **Virgin** 207



Law & Order: Special Victims Unit *9.00pm* Benson

Sky Witness

Sky 107 **Virgin** 112 HD **Virgin** 111

6.00am The Real A&E (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Firefighters (S) (HD) **12 noon** Paramedics (S) (HD) **2.00pm** Air Ambulance ER (S) (HD) **4.00** Nothing to Declare UK (S) (HD)

7.00pm Blue Bloods ***5/22*** *Series 2.* Danny tries to juggle work and romance. (HD) **8.00** ***6/22.*** An incident at a church tests Frank's diplomatic skills. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit ***Ep 3*** *Series 21* A celebrity reveals himself as the victim of a predator targeting men in gay clubs. **10.00** ***17/23*** *Series 13.* An attempted rape bears the telltale signs of a sexual predator apparently put behind bars in 2004, bringing into question whether Benson deprived an innocent man of his liberty. **11.00** ***18/23.*** A businessman's wife is kidnapped during a video call, but as the case progresses, evidence suggests the victim may be complicit in her own abduction. **12 midnight** ***19/23.*** Vigilantes make the hunt for a serial rapist more difficult for the team. (HD)

1.00am Blue Bloods (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00** Air Ambulance ER (S) (HD) **4.00** Madam Secretary (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Nothing to Declare (S) (AD)

Sky Witness +1 **Sky** 207 **Virgin** 180

Sky 2

Sky 168 **Virgin** 160

7.00am Monkey Life (S) (AD) **7.30** The Dog Whisperer **9.30** My Kitchen Rules: New Zealand (S) **6.45pm** My Kitchen Rules: New Zealand: Manu Feildel and Pete Evans host the grand final (S) **8.00** A League of Their Own's Christmas Holiday: Jamie, Andrew and Romesh face a series of traditional Austrian challenges **9.00** Micky Flanagan Thinking Aloud: triple bill. The comedian tackles the topics that keep him awake at night **10.00** The comedian explores class **11.00** The difference between an underdog and a loser (S) (AD) **12 midnight** Micky Flanagan Thinking Aloud: triple bill (S) (AD) **3.00am** Duck Quacks Don't Echo (S) (AD) **4.00–6.00am** RSPCA Animal Rescue (S)

Universal TV

Sky 113 **Virgin** 122 **BT** 320 HD **Virgin** 121 **BT** 385

8.00am Major Crimes (S) (HD) **12 noon** Law & Order (S) (HD) **1.00pm** NCIS: five episodes (S) (HD) **6.00** NCIS: triple bill. A former marine falls to his death **7.00** McGee tries to help his sister **8.00** FBI agents try to seize control of an investigation (S) (HD) **9.00** CSI: Miami: four episodes. Horatio has to sack a member of his team **10.00** Ryan is suspected of unwittingly helping a killer **11.00** A member of the team is killed **12 midnight** A suspected killer represents himself in court (S) (HD) **1.00am** Law & Order (S) (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Law & Order (S) (HD)

Universal TV +1 **Sky** 213 **Virgin** 206



The Hunger Games *9.00pm* Katniss fights for her life

W

Sky 109 **Virgin** 125 **BT** 311 HD **Virgin** 211 **BT** 383

6.10am RT **CHOICE** Doctor Who: triple bill **See p178** (S) (AD) (HD) **9.40** Dynamo: Magician Impossible (S) (AD) (HD) **10.40** Outnumbered (S) (AD) (HD) **11.35** Mr Stink (S) (AD) (HD) **12.50pm FILM** Fantastic Mr Fox ★★★★ Animated comedy adventure with George Clooney (W) (HD) **2.40** Tipping Point: Lucky Stars (S) (HD) **4.55** The Boy in the Dress (S) (HD)

6.10pm Outnumbered Christmas special from 2012. The children are far from the life and soul when Mum and Dad throw a party. (S) (AD) (HD)

7.05 Gavin & Stacey ***1/7*** *Series 2* The happy couple are welcomed home after their honeymoon. **7.40** ***2/7.*** Gavin sets out to help Smithy accept his responsibilities. **8.20** ***3/7.*** Smithy and Nessa visit the hospital for their first ultrasound scan. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 The Hunger Games ★★★★ Futuristic action thriller with Jennifer Lawrence. In annual retribution for a failed uprising in the totalitarian state of Panem, each of 12 districts is forced to select a young boy and girl to take part in a televised fight to the death. (W) (HD)

12 midnight Gavin & Stacey: triple bill (S) (AD) (HD) **1.45–3.00am** Louis Theroux: the Most Hated Family in America (S) (AD)

W +1 **Sky** 209 **Virgin** 190

Syfy

Sky 114 **Virgin** 138 **BT** 319 HD **Virgin** 137 **BT** 375

6.00am Marvel's Runaways **8.00** Home Shopping **11.00** Blood and Treasure **12 noon FILM** Charlotte's Web ★★★ family drama **2.50pm FILM** Lara Croft, Tomb Raider: the Cradle of Life ★ Action adventure **5.00 FILM** Flight of the Navigator ★★★ Sci-fi **7.00pm FILM** The Addams Family ★★★★ Black comedy starring Anjelica Huston **9.00 FILM** Serenity ★★★★ Action adventure **11.30 FILM** The Jackal ★★★ Thriller starring Bruce Willis, Richard Gere and Sidney Poitier **2.00am FILM** Five Headed Shark Attack ★ Action horror **4.00–6.00am FILM** Age of the Dragons ★★ Fantasy adventure

Syfy +1 **Sky** 214 **Virgin** 229

TLC

Sky 133 **Virgin** 167 **BT** 323 HD **BT** 377

6.00am Say Yes to the Dress: four editions (HD) **8.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress: the Big Day (HD) **12 noon** Little People, Big World (AD) (HD) **8.00pm** Say Yes to the Dress: Atlanta: four editions. New consultant Becca tries to find bride Linsey her dream dress **9.00** Carla wants the perfect gown for her magical day in Santorini **10.00** Bride Shornell has a last minute dress dilemma **11.00** Tensions flare for Bride Kandace (HD) **12 midnight** Say Yes to the Dress: Atlanta (HD) **4.00am** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Say Yes to the Dress: the Big Day (HD)

TLC +1 **Sky** 233 **Virgin** 172



Trust Morecambe and Wise *9.00pm* Eric and Ern's travels

Gold

Sky 110 **Virgin** 124 **BT** 310

7.30am A Sharp Intake of Breath **8.00** The Story of Only Fools and Horses (S) (AD) (HD)

6.20pm Only Fools and Horses Del falls for an antiques dealer who views an old cabinet described as a "Queen Anne" original. **7.00** Del gets a nasty surprise. **7.40** Rodney becomes a wanted man and goes into hiding. **8.20** A decorating disaster befalls the Trotters. (S) (AD)

9.00 Trust Morecambe and Wise How the duo approached the themes of travel and adventure in their comedy. (S) (HD) **10.00** Lenny Henry takes a look at footage featuring the duo at the peak of their careers, focusing on how they approached the themes of love and relationships in their comedy. (S) (HD)

11.00 Morecambe and Wise in America The duo's attempts to become stars in America during the 1960s. (S) (AD) (HD) **12 midnight** Eric and Ern are invited back onto *The Ed Sullivan Show* on the same night as the Beatles. (S) (AD) (HD)

2.00am Morgana Robinson's The Agency (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00–4.00am** Little Britain: Emily and Florence shop for wedding dresses (S) (AD)

Gold +1 **Sky** 210 **Virgin** 194

Comedy Central

Sky 112 **Virgin** 132 **BT** 307 HD **Virgin** 181 **BT** 370

8.00am RT **CHOICE** Friends **See page 178** (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon FILM** Beethoven ★★★★ **2.00pm FILM** Alvin and the Chipmunks: the Road Chip ★★ **4.00** Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00pm FILM** John Tucker Must Die ★★ Romantic comedy starring Jesse Metcalfe (HD) **9.00** Michael McIntyre's Showtime (S) (HD) **10.00 FILM** Along Came Polly ★★ Romantic comedy (HD) **12 midnight** Katherine Ryan at the Comedy Store (S) (HD) **12.30am** Sara Pascoe at the Comedy Store (S) (HD) **1.00** South Park (S) (HD) **4.15** Most Ridiculous: Sports (S) (HD) **4.35–5.00am** Most Ridiculous: Weddings (S) (HD)

Comedy Central +1 **Sky** 212 **Virgin** 133

Lifetime

Sky 187 **Virgin** 208 **BT** 329 HD **BT** 384

7.00am Judge Judy (HD) **12 noon** Dance Moms: six editions **6.00pm** Dance Moms: a look back at Abby's award-winning choreography (HD) **7.00** Leah Remini: Scientology and the Aftermath: double bill. The potential of financial ruin for many Scientologists, then how David Miscavige manoeuvred his way into power (HD) **9.00** Psychic Kids: the Next Generation: the mentors help a boy, haunted by a spirit that attached to him via a board game (HD) **10.00** Psychic Kids (HD) **1.00am** Psychic Kids: the Next Generation (HD) **2.00–4.00am** Psychic Kids: double bill (HD)

ALL PROGRAMMES ON THE ABOVE CHANNELS ARE REPEATS UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

Key (S) Subtitles (SL) Signing (AD) Audio description (HD) High definition (W) Widescreen



Jonathan Creek *9.00pm*
An actress is shot dead

Alibi

Sky 132 **Virgin** 126 **BT** 312 **HD** **Virgin** 212 **BT** 382

7.10am Murdoch Mysteries: double bill (S) (HD) **9.00** Inspector George Gently (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00pm** Father Brown (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Death in Paradise: double bill. A chef is stabbed to death, then a treasure hunter is found dead after a valuable discovery (S) (AD) (HD)

6.10pm Death in Paradise *8/8 Series 5.* A student backpacker is found dead with a gun in her hand, with all evidence pointing toward suicide – although Humphrey believes otherwise. (S) (AD) (HD) **7.35** *1/8 Series 7.* DI Jack Mooney is tested when a billionaire's fiancée falls from a balcony the day before her lavish wedding. It looks like suicide – except for just one thing. (AD) (HD)

9.00 Jonathan Creek Christmas special from 2001. Jonathan is called upon to explain how a killer managed to fire a gun through a plate-glass window without breaking it. (S) (AD) **11.30** Master of illusion Jonathan is stumped by several disappearances in a gothic mansion, so he teams up with a friend of one of the victims to get to the bottom of the mystery. (S) (AD)

2.15–4.00am New Tricks: double bill (S) (AD) (HD)

Alibi +1 **Sky** 232 **Virgin** 191

Discovery History

Sky 171 **Virgin** 257

6.00am Expedition Unknown

6.00pm Expedition Unknown Josh Gates embarks on a quest to find the legendary lost treasure of King John, exploring England's marshlands in the hope of finding the despised king's crown jewels. **7.00** Josh hunts for the treasure of Erwin Rommel, a Nazi general who allegedly plundered the wealth of north Africa as his tank corps fled the continent. **8.00** Josh Gates travels to Italy in search of what may be history's richest treasure – the looted relics of the Roman Empire interred with the Visigoth king Alaric. **9.00** Josh Gates travels to India in search of Dwarka, a mythical kingdom swallowed by the ocean. His quest sees him dive into the Arabian Sea to visit a dig site that could rewrite history. **10.00** Adventurer and avid explorer Josh Gates travels all over America to investigate the mystery of the 1980s bestseller and cult phenomenon *The Secret*. **11.00** Archaeology expert and adventurer Josh Gates travels to Great Britain to explore the origins of the mystical monument of Stonehenge. **12 midnight** In Guatemala, Josh Gates ventures into the ancient Maya city of El Mirador in search of the lost tombs of its mysterious ruling dynasty, the Snake Kings.

1.00–6.00am Expedition Unknown

Discovery History +1 **Sky** 271 **Virgin** 261



Family Guy *9.30pm* Peter recruits would-be buccaneers

Fox

Sky 124 **Virgin** 157 **HD** **Virgin** 199

8.00am Bull (HD) **9.00** Bones (HD) **11.00** The Mentalist (HD) **12 noon** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00pm** Bones (HD) **2.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** The Mentalist (HD) **4.00** Bones (HD) **5.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm The Mentalist *24/24 Series 4.* Jane's efforts to apprehend Red John fail. (HD)

7.00 NCIS *7/24 Series 13.* Ducky reveals he has been working as part of a secret society. (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** *8/24.* DiNozzo must help old flame Jeanne Benoit. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 American Dad! *Series 14* A mysterious serial killer crashes Francine's dinner party. (HD)

9.30 Family Guy *Series 6* Peter causes havoc as a pirate. **10.00** Peter's discovers that he was born in Mexico. **10.30** Meg falls for the medical student who is treating her for injuries sustained in a flood.

11.00 American Dad! *Series 14* Roger and Steve watch *Breaking Bad* in reverse. (HD) **11.30** Stan deals with childhood issues of abandonment. (HD)

12 midnight Family Guy **12.30am** American Dad! (HD) **1.00** Family Guy **2.30** American Dad! (HD) **3.00** Family Guy **4.00–5.00am** Bull (HD)

Fox +1 **Sky** 224 **Virgin** 158

History

Sky 130 **Virgin** 270 **BT** 327 **HD** **BT** 379

6.00am Mega Transports (HD) **8.00** Mega Pit Stops (HD) **9.00** Counting Cars (HD) **12 noon** The Strongest Man in History **1.00pm** Mountain Men (HD) **5.00** Warfighters: double bill (HD) **7.00** The God Code (HD) **9.00** True Monsters: four editions. The surprising truths behind history's most mythic cannibals and killers **10.00** The surprising truths and devilish secrets of Satan **11.00** Some of humankind's greatest legends are of giant creatures, such as the cyclops or minotaur **12 midnight** An investigation into whether the legendary monsters and warriors originating from Norse and Greek mythology are rooted in real events (HD) **1.00am** Mountain Men: four editions (HD) **5.00–6.00am** The Strongest Man in History (HD)

History +1 **Sky** 230 **Virgin** 271

Animal Planet

Sky 162 **Virgin** 251 **BT** 325 **HD** **BT** 378

6.00am Crikey! It's the Irwins (HD) **7.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (S) (HD) **4.00pm** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **7.00** The Zoo: an alpaca is due to give birth (HD) **8.00** Restoration Wild (HD) **9.00** Extinct or Alive (HD) **10.00** ***New.*** Mountain Monsters: the team members look for a bear-like creature known as the Silver Giant in Boone County and build their largest trap ever, learning about other beasts along the way (HD) **11.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees: Tia tries to rescue a feral dog that is running wild by a motorway (S) (HD) **12 midnight** Crikey! It's the Irwins (HD) **1.00am** Jeremy Wade's Dark Waters (S) (HD) **4.40** Orangutan Island: saving endangered apes (S) (HD) **5.10–6.00am** Jeremy Wade's Dark Waters (S) (HD)

Animal Planet +1 **Sky** 262 **Virgin** 259



Chernobyl's Deadly Secrets *9.00pm* Causes and fallout

Discovery

Sky 125 **Virgin** 250 **BT** 322 **HD** **BT** 376

6.00am Gold Rush (S) (HD)

6.00pm Walking the Himalayas Levison Wood's journey ends in Bhutan, but first he and guide Binod Pariyar must trek through 30 miles of jungle in eastern Nepal. (HD)

7.00 Gold Rush Following the gold miners of the Yukon. (HD)

8.00 Gold Rush: White Water In a hunt for bedrock gold, Fred and his crew are reminded of the dangers that they face. (HD)

9.00 Chernobyl's Deadly Secrets Philip Grossman examines the causes and outcomes of the events at the Chernobyl site. Was it an accident or one of the biggest sabotages in history? (S) (HD)

10.00 Life After: Chernobyl How wildlife has been affected after 30 years in the contamination area. (S) (HD)

11.00 Isle of Jaws The mating and rearing grounds of great white sharks. (HD)

12 midnight Gold Rush: Dave Turin's Lost Mine (S) (HD) **2.00am** Bitchin' Rides (S) (HD) **3.00** Blowing Up History (S) (HD) **4.40** Alaska: the Last Frontier (HD) **5.30–6.00am** How It's Made (S) (HD)

Discovery +1 **Sky** 225 **Virgin** 258

Nat Geographic

Sky 129 **Virgin** 266 **BT** 317 **HD** **Virgin** 268 **BT** 373

8.00am Air Crash Investigation: ten back-to-back editions (S) (HD) **6.00pm** Air Crash Investigation: six editions. A plane that had its cargo door torn off **7.00** How Eastern Airlines Flight 401 crashed in 1972 as it prepared for arrival at Miami airport, possibly because a problem with the landing gear distracted the pilots **8.00** Documentary exploring the terrorist bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 in December 1988, which resulted in the deaths of 270 people and devastated the Scottish town of Lockerbie **9.00** The crash of Lauda Air Flight 004 in May 1991 **10.00** The fate of Malaysia Airlines Flight MH370 **11.00** The reason for the 1989 Kegworth air disaster **12 midnight–5.00am** Air Crash Investigation: five editions (HD)

Nat Geo +1 **Sky** 229 **Virgin** 267

Eden

Sky 166 **Virgin** 245 **BT** 315 **HD** **Virgin** 247 **BT** 389

9.00am Wonders of the Solar System (AD) (HD) **2.00** Wonders of the Moon (AD) (HD) **3.00** Wonders of the Solar System: triple bill (AD) (HD) **6.00pm** Wonders of the Solar System: double bill. A comparison between Earth and Mars, then Brian Cox considers the building blocks of life (AD) (HD) **8.00** Wonders of the Moon: using the latest and most detailed imagery, this documentary reveals the monthly life cycle of the moon as it waxes and wanes (AD) (HD) **9.00** Wonders of the Solar System (AD) (HD) **12 midnight** Wonders of the Solar System (AD) (HD) **2.00am** Wonders of the Moon (AD) (HD) **3.00** Wonders of the Solar System (AD) (HD) **5.30–6.00am** Jungle Planet (HD)

Eden +1 **Sky** 266 **Virgin** 246



9/11: the Day That Changed the World *9.55pm*

PBS America 91

F'view 91 (1-11pm only) **F'sat** 155 **Sky** 174 **Virgin** 273

8.00am The Aviators: a look at how airport terminals are designed **8.35** World's Greatest: Natural Wonders **3.15pm** 9/11: the Day That Changed the World **4.20** The First World War: two editions

6.35pm The First World War Assessing Britain's efforts to secure India from invasion and investigating the country's significant contribution thereafter. **7.40** How the Ottoman Empire became a major force on the German side, tying up troops across the Middle East and forcing the British into a humiliating defeat at Kut, south of Baghdad. **8.50** The conflict on the Eastern Front, where soldiers battled for years in harsh conditions, enduring avalanches and frostbite, as well as relentless enemy action.

9.55 9/11: the Day That Changed the World Drama documentary reconstructing the stories of people trapped inside the World Trade Center after the twin towers were hit by terrorists on 11 September 2001.

11.00 The Radical Story of Patty Hearst Charting the story of the American heiress.

12 midnight–2.00am The Radical Story of Patty Hearst: double bill

PBS +1 **Freeview** 93 (HD only)

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F'view (HD only) 99 **F'sat** 175 **Sky** 195 **Virgin** 276

6.00am America's Civil War 360: three back-to-back editions (HD) **9.00** Aerial America **10.00** America's Hidden Stories (HD) **11.00** A Star-Spangled Story: Battle for America (HD) **12 noon** Inside the Factory **1.00pm** White House Revealed (HD) **2.00** Aerial America (HD) **4.00** America's Hidden Stories (HD) **5.00** Apollo's Moon Shot: five editions. The story of Nasa's programme to land humans on the Moon **6.00** The Gemini missions and the Apollo 1 fire **7.00** The story of three critical Nasa missions in 1968 and 1969 **8.00** The historic Apollo 11 mission **9.00** The waning public interest in the Apollo programme after the first Moon landing **10.00** The last four landings on the Moon and their significance for the future **11.00** America's Secret Space Heroes: double bill (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Apollo's Moon Shot (HD)

Sony Crime

Freesat 143 **Sky** 179 **Virgin** 193

6.00am Speeders **7.00** Bait Car: Atlanta **9.00** Speeders **11.00** Bait Car: Atlanta **1.00pm** Speeders: 12 editions **7.00** Speeders: four editions. Members of a rock band are stopped by police, and a woman with a surprising past is pulled over **7.30** A couple reveal a shocking story about their daughter's party **8.00** A car full of partygoers heading to an infamous club in Los Angeles is pulled over **8.30** A woman in Chicago is distracted by her evangelism tape, and a Texas driver is full of excuses **9.00** Bait Car: Atlanta: four episodes of the reality crime show, set in the US state of Georgia **11.00** Speeders: double bill **12 midnight** Bait Car **1.00am** Speeders **3.00** Bait Car: New Orleans **4.00** Speeders **5.00–6.00am** Bait Car

CHILDREN'S

Milkshake! on C5

Full listings for Channel 5 are on p182

6.00am Peppa Pig **6.20** Peppa Pig **6.30** Ben and Holly **6.40** Noddy: Toyland Detective **6.50** ***New.*** Fireman Sam: Alien Alert: Sam decides to investigate a spate of UFO sightings after an alien-hunting TV show comes to Pontypandy **8.05** Peppa Pig **8.20** Butterbean's Café: Dazzle is left in charge, but tries to do everything herself **8.35** Paw Patrol **8.50** Nella the Princess Knight **8.55** Wissper **9.10–9.20am** Pirata & Capitano

CBeebies 202

Freeview 202 **Freesat** 608 **Sky** 614 **Virgin** 702

6.00am Show Me Show Me **6.20** Twirlywoos **6.35** Teletubbies **6.50** Raa Raa the Noisy Lion **7.00** Postman Pat: SDS **7.15** Bing: double bill **7.30** Hey Duggee: double bill **7.45** Peter Rabbit **8.00** Go Jetters **8.10** Octonauts **8.25** Bitz & Bob **8.35** The Furchester Hotel **8.45** Biggleton **9.00** Something Special: We're All Friends **9.20** Footy Pups **9.35** CBeebies Tortoise and the Hare **10.20** Sarah & Duck **10.30** Swashbuckle **10.55** Andy's Safari Adventures **11.10** Maddie's Do You Know? **11.25** Waffle the Wonder Dog **11.35** Topsy and Tim: double bill **12 noon** My World Kitchen **12.10pm** What's the Big Idea? **12.15** Katie Morag **12.30** Sarah & Duck **12.40** Down on the Farm **1.00** Where in the World?; Small Potatoes **1.20** My Story **1.30** Ferne and Rory's Vet Tales **1.45** Tinga Tinga Tales **2.00** Something Special: We're All Friends **2.20** Andy's Baby Animals **2.30** Junk Rescue **2.45** Maddie's Do You Know? **3.00** Bitz & Bob **3.10** Tree Fu Tom **3.35** Go Jetters **3.50** Swashbuckle **4.10** The Baby Club **4.25** Magic Hands: poetry for deaf and hearing children **4.35** Octonauts Special: the Great Swamp Search **5.00** GiggleQuiz **5.15** Apple Tree House **5.30** Katie Morag: adventures with the feisty seven-year-old **5.45** Sarah & Duck **5.50** Charlie and Lola **6.05am** Tee and Mo **6.10** Clangers **6.20** In the Night Garden… **6.50–7.00pm** CBeebies Bedtime Stories: a tale is read for younger viewers before they go to bed

CBBC 201

Freeview 201 **Freesat** 607 **Sky** 613 **Virgin** 701

7.00am Arthur **7.15** Shaun the Sheep **7.20** Danger Mouse **7.35** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **7.45** FOMO Festive Replay **8.05** Saturday Mash Up's Festive Mash Up **9.05** ***New.*** The Playlist: pop stars introduce the viewers' most requested tracks **9.25** RT **CHOICE** ***New.*** Hack to the Future 1 **See page 179** **10.25** The Dog Ate My Homework **10.55** Strange Hill High: students explore their extraordinary school **11.20** Horrible Histories **1.45pm** Step Up to the Plate **5.35** Nikki Lilly Meets: vlogger and baking ace Nikki Lilly meets some of the world's biggest stars for a quick chat **5.45** ***New.*** A Week to Beat the World **6.15pm** The Pets Factor **6.35** Operation Ouch! **7.05 FILM** Penguins of Madagascar ★★★ Animation **8.25** Horrible Histories **8.50–9.00pm** Operation Ouch! Snips

CITV 203

Freeview 203 **Freesat** 602 **Sky** 621 **Virgin** 734

6.00am Dino Dana **6.10** Super 4 **6.35** Thunderbirds Are Go **7.00** Robozuna **7.25** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **7.55** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **9.25** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **10.25** Mr Magoo **10.55** ToonMarty **11.25** Pokémon **11.55** Be Cool, Scooby-Doo!: monsters and ghouls get in the way of the Scooby gang's adventures as they travel and spend time together in the summer **12.45pm** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **1.55** Hotel Transylvania **2.50** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **3.45** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **4.40** Mr Magoo **5.10** NinjaGo: Decoded **6.20** Pokémon **7.15** The Bagel and Becky Show **7.40** Massive Monster Mayhem **8.05** Drop Dead Weird **8.30** Project Z **8.55–9.00pm** Dare Master

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He will rock you

Bohemian Rhapsody ★★★ *10.00pm* ***Sky Musicals***

Despite its troubled eight-year production, the story of rock royalty Queen makes a surprisingly assured transition to the screen. Key to its success is the casting of Rami Malek as Freddie Mercury, who goes from handling baggage at Heathrow airport to wowing the crowds at Live Aid. But along with all the fame comes plenty of soul-searching, as he deliberates over his sexuality. *Bohemian Rhapsody* may not adhere strictly to the facts, but Malek's flamboyant yet vulnerable performance keeps you watching. **JAMIE HEALY**



Scorsese back on top

The Irishman ★★★★ ***Netflix***

Martin Scorsese's return to the gangster genre finds him in fine form across an epic running time. Structured like his 1990 masterpiece *GoodFellas*, and adapted from Charles Brandt's book by Steven Zaillian, Scorsese's film tracks the demise of Teamsters union honcho Jimmy Hoffa, vigorously played by Al Pacino. We're guided by Hoffa's associate Frank Sheeran (Robert De Niro), who goes from meat delivery guy to Mob footsoldier when he falls in with "made man" Russell Bufalino (Joe Pesci). **EMMA SIMMONDS**

Paris mismatch

Le Week-end ★★★

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On catch-up all week, this bookish relationship drama sees spiky couple Jim Broadbent and Lindsay Duncan head to Paris to revisit their honeymoon haunts from 30 years ago. The performances are terrific, especially the waspish, unfathomable Duncan, while co-star Jeff Goldblum steals his scenes with relish. **DAMON WISE**



FREEVIEW

Film4 14

F'view 14 **F'sat** 300 **Sky** 313 **Virgin** 428 **HD Virgin** 429

11.00am Kung Fu Panda 2 ★★★ Gorgeous-looking comedy sequel with plenty of fun action. Jack Black (2011, PG) (S) (AD)
12.45pm Flushed Away ★★★ Visually inventive and witty animated adventure. Hugh Jackman, Kate Winslet, Ian McKellen (2006, U) (S) (AD)
2.25 The Last Airbender ★★ M Night Shyamalan's fantasy adventure. Noah Ringer, Jackson Rathbone, Dev Patel, Nicola Peltz (2010, PG) (S)
4.30pm Shrek Forever After ★★★ Cleverly conceived fourth movie. Mike Myers, Eddie Murphy, Cameron Diaz, Antonio Banderas (2010, U)
6.15 Bridge of Spies ★★★★ Steven Spielberg's classy and engrossing real-life espionage drama. Tom Hanks, Mark Rylance, Amy Ryan, Scott Shepherd, Sebastian Koch (2015, 12) (S) (AD)
9.00 Kingsman: the Secret Service ★★★★ Affectionate nod to 1960s spy capers. Colin Firth, Samuel L Jackson (2015, 15) (S) (AD)
11.35 Big Game ★★★ Preposterous but fun action romp. Samuel L Jackson (2014, 15) (S) (AD)
1.20–3.15am Darkman ★★★★ Inventive low-budget fantasy horror from the director of *The Evil Dead*. Liam Neeson (1990, 18) (S)

Film4 +1 **F'view** 45 **F'sat** 301 **Sky** 314 **Virgin** 430

Sony Movies 32

Freeview 32 **Freesat** 302 **Sky** 321 **Virgin** 425

9.10am James and the Giant Peach ★★★★ Part-animated fantasy. Paul Terry (1996, U)
10.50 Bicentennial Man ★★ Sci-fi comedy drama. Robin Williams (1999, PG) **1.25pm Phenomenon ★★★** Fantasy drama. John Travolta (1996, PG) **4.00 Seabiscuit ★★★** Drama. Tobey Maguire (2003, PG)
6.45pm Chicago ★★★★ Spirited musical. Catherine Zeta-Jones, Renée Zellweger, Richard Gere (2002, 12)
9.00 In the Line of Fire ★★★★ Slick thriller. Clint Eastwood, John Malkovich, Rene Russo (1993, 15)
11.40 The Score ★★★ Smart heist thriller. Robert De Niro, Edward Norton, Marlon Brando (2001, 15)
2.10am The Driftless Area ★★ Drama. Anton Yelchin, Zooey Deschanel (2015, 15) **4.05–6.00am Christmas Eve ★★** Comedy. Patrick Stewart (2015, PG)

Sony Movies +1 **F'view** 60 (*limited* 10pm-5am) **Sky** 322

Sony Action 40

F'view 40 *(limited)* **F'sat** 305 **Sky** 323 **Virgin** 426

6.00am The Great Silence ★★★ Western. Jean-Louis Trintignant (1967, 15) **8.10 The Westerner ★★★★** Western. Gary Cooper (1940, U) **10.20 I Am Sartana, Your Angel of Death ★★** Western. John Garko (1969, 15) **12.25pm Man from Del Rio ★★** Western. (1956, PG) **2.10 War Drums ★★** Western. Lex Barker (1957, 12) **3.50 Fort Yuma ★★** Western. Peter Graves (1955) **5.30 Revolt at Fort Laramie ★★** Western. John Dehner (1957, U)
7.05pm Gunman's Walk ★★★ Intense western. Van Heflin, Tab Hunter, Kathryn Grant (1958)
9.00 SWAT: Under Siege ★★ Action crime thriller. Sam Jaeger, Adrianne Palicki (2017, 15)
10.50 The Order ★★ The undead have it all their own way in this thriller. Heath Ledger (2002, 15)
12.35am A Dark Truth ★★ Action thriller. Andy Garcia (2012, 15) **2.40–4.00am The Last Rites of Ransom Pride ★** Western. (2010, 15)

Sony Action +1 **Sky** 324

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Freeview 81 **Freesat** 306 **Sky** 328 **Virgin** 445

6.00am Pit of Darkness ★ Crime drama. William Franklyn (1961, PG) (S) **7.40 The True Glory ★★★** Documentary. (1945) **9.40 The Woman in Question ★★★** Mystery. Jean Kent (1950, PG) **11.30** Overseas Press Club – Exclusive! **12.15pm Krakatoa, East of Java ★★** Disaster movie. Maximilian Schell (1969, PG) **2.55** Terminus **3.30** Catweazle **4.00 Genevieve ★★★★** Comedy. Kenneth More (1953, U) (S)
5.45pm Out of the Clouds ★★ Ealing Studios drama. Anthony Steel, Robert Beatty (1954, U)
7.35pm The Mirror Crack'd ★★ Miss Marple mystery. Angela Lansbury, Elizabeth Taylor (1980, PG)
9.40 Peeping Tom 5 Controversial British thriller. Carl Boehm, Moira Shearer (1960, 15)
11.40 Penny Gold ★★ Thriller. Francesca Annis, James Booth (1973, 12) (S) **1.25am The Killing of Sister George ★★★** Drama about a fading actress. Beryl Reid (1968, 18) **4.10–6.00am Lure of the Wilderness ★★** Adventure. Jean Peters (1952, U)

Premiere

Sky 301 **Virgin** 401 **BT** 501

7.25am As 2.15pm **9.45** As 6.30pm **11.15 Avengers: Endgame** As 8pm **2.15pm Mary Poppins Returns ★★★** Musical fantasy. **Choice, p156.** Emily Blunt (2018, U) **4.30 The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part ★★★★** Animated adventure. **Choice, p138.** Chris Pratt (2019, U)

6.30pm P Wonder Park ★★ Animated fantasy about an imaginary amusement park. Brianna Denski, Jennifer Garner, Mila Kunis (2019, PG)
8.00 Avengers: Endgame ★★★★ The superheroes make their last stand in this end-of-an-era action epic. **Choice, p166.** Robert Downey Jr, Chris Hemsworth (2019, 12)
11.00 The Kid Who Would Be King ★★★ Upbeat fantasy. **Choice, p176.** Louis Ashbourne Serkis (2018, PG)

1.10am Bumblebee ★★★ Sci-fi action adventure. Hailee Steinfeld, John Cena (2018, 12A) **3.10 Mary Queen of Scots ★★★** Drama. **Choice, p118.** Saoirse Ronan (2018, 15) **5.30** As 4.30pm

Premiere +1 **Sky** 312 **Virgin** 412

Hits

Sky 303 **Virgin** 403 **BT** 503

6.40am Rio ★★★★ Animation. Jesse Eisenberg (2011, U) **8.25 Hotel Transylvania 3: a Monster Vacation ★★★** Animation. Adam Sandler (2018, U) **10.10** As 6.50pm **12.20pm** As 9pm **2.50 Venom ★★** Fantasy. Tom Hardy (2018, 15) **4.50 Dumbo ★★★★** Live-action remake. Colin Farrell (2019, PG)

6.50pm The Kid Who Would Be King ★★★ Upbeat fantasy. **Choice, p176.** Louis Ashbourne Serkis, Rebecca Ferguson, Patrick Stewart (2018, PG)
9.00 Aquaman ★★★ The most fun DC adventure yet. Jason Momoa, Nicole Kidman, Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe (2018, 12)
11.25 300 ★★★★ Breathtaking action adventure based on Frank Miller's celebrated graphic novel about heroic Spartan warriors. Gerard Butler, Lena Headey, David Wenham (2006, 15)

1.25am 300: Rise of an Empire ★★★★ Historical action. Eva Green (2013, 15) **3.15 Captain America: the First Avenger ★★★** Adventure. Chris Evans (2011, 12) **5.25 Big ★★★★** Comedy. Tom Hanks, Elizabeth Perkins (1988, 12)

Action

Sky 307 **Virgin** 407 **BT** 507

6.00am X-Men: First Class ★★★★ (2011, 12) **8.15 Spider-Man ★★★★** Adventure. (2002, 12) **10.20 The Amazing Spider-Man ★★★** Fantasy adventure. (2012, 12) **12.40pm The Amazing Spider-Man 2 ★★★** Action adventure. (2014, 12) **3.05** As 9pm **5.05pm** As 11pm

7.00pm Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse ★★★★ The superhero discovers that there are alternate versions of himself. **Choice, p118.** Jake Johnson (2018, PG)
9.00 Thor ★★★ Marvel's Norse god of thunder is banished from Asgard to Earth. Chris Hemsworth (2011, 12)
11.00 Thor: the Dark World ★★★★ The thunder god is forced to ally himself with Loki. Chris Hemsworth, Natalie Portman, Tom Hiddleston (2013, 12)

1.00am Spider-Man As 8.15am **3.10 The Amazing Spider-Man** As 10.20am **5.30 Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse** As 7pm

Star Wars

Sky 302 **Virgin** 402 **BT** 502

6.00am Episode I: the Phantom Menace ★★★ Sci-fi adventure. (1999, U) **8.30 Episode II: Attack of the Clones ★★★** Adventure. (2002, PG) **11.00 The Clone Wars ★★** Animation. (2008, PG) **12.45pm Episode III: Revenge of the Sith ★★★** Sci-fi. Ewan McGregor (2005, 12)

3.15pm Solo: a Star Wars Story ★★★★ Fun and exciting origins adventure for the space buccaneer. Alden Ehrenreich (2018, 12)
5.45 Episode IV: a New Hope 5 Luke Skywalker joins a mission to save the galaxy. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher (1977, U)
8.00 Episode V: the Empire Strikes Back 5 Luke trains to be a Jedi Knight. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher (1980, U)

10.15pm Episode VI: Return of the Jedi ★★★★ Luke finally faces up to his destiny. Mark Hamill (1983, U) **12.45am** As 3.15pm **3.15** Solo: Special **3.45 Episode I: the Phantom Menace** As 6am

Christmas

Sky 304 **Virgin** 410 **BT** 510

6.10am A Christmas in Royal Fashion ★★ (2018) **7.50** Tom and Jerry: a Nutcracker Tale **8.50 Miracle on 34th Street ★★** (1973) **10.40 Jingle All the Way ★★** Comedy. (1996, PG) **12.20pm** As 8pm **2.00** As 11.30pm **3.30 Mickey's Twice upon a Christmas ★★** (2004, U)

4.40pm Elf: Buddy's Musical Christmas Animated adventure.
6.00 Miracle on 34th Street ★★★ A department-store Santa believes he is Father Christmas. Richard Attenborough, Elizabeth Perkins (1994, U)
8.00 The Grinch ★★★ Warm animated fantasy. Benedict Cumberbatch, Cameron Seely, Rashida Jones (2018, U)
9.40 Anna and the Apocalypse ★★★ High-energy comedy horror musical. Ella Hunt, Malcolm Cumming (2017, 15)

11.30pm The Star ★★ Cute animated spin on the Nativity story. (2017, U) **1.10am Mickey's Twice upon a Christmas** As 3.30pm **2.30 A Christmas in Royal Fashion** As 6.10am **4.10** As 6pm

Musicals

Sky 308 **Virgin** 404 **BT** 504

6.40am The Muppet Christmas Carol ★★★★ Comedy. (1992, U) **8.10 Into the Woods ★★★** Fantasy. (2014, PG) **10.20 The School of Rock ★★★★** Comedy. Jack Black (2003, PG) **12.15pm** As 10pm **2.35 The Greatest Showman ★★★★** Drama. Hugh Jackman, Zac Efron (2017, PG)

4.25pm Mary Poppins 5 A nanny changes two children's lives. Julie Andrews, Dick Van Dyke (1964, U)
6.45 Mary Poppins Returns ★★★ Emily Blunt is pitch perfect as the magical nanny. **Choice, p156.** Lin-Manuel Miranda, Ben Whishaw (2018, U)
9.00 Cats Special
10.00 Bohemian Rhapsody ★★★ Rami Malek gives an Oscar-winning portrayal of Freddie Mercury. **Choice, left.** (2018, 12)

12.20am Dreamgirls ★★★ Glitzy and glamorous drama. Jamie Foxx, Beyoncé Knowles, Eddie Murphy (2006, 12) **2.35 The Greatest Showman** As 2.35pm **4.25 The Muppet Christmas Carol** As 6.40am

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Disney

Sky 305 **Virgin** 405 **BT** 505

6.45am Big Hero 6 ★★★★ Adventure. Scott Adsit, Ryan Potter (2014, PG) **8.30** As 8pm **10.25** As 4.10pm **12.25pm** As 6.10pm **2.15 Enchanted** ★★★★ Romantic fantasy. Amy Adams (2007, PG) **4.10 Incredibles 2** ★★★★ Animated adventure. Holly Hunter, Craig T Nelson (2018, PG)

6.10pm Coco ★★★★★ Vibrant Pixar tale full of Mexican music and folklore. Anthony Gonzalez (2017, PG)

8.00 Ralph Breaks the Internet ★★★★ Wreck-It-Ralph heads online in a quest to save his friend's game in this sequel. John C Reilly, Sarah Silverman (2018, PG)

9.55 The Nutcracker and the Four Realms ★★★ A genteel seasonal fantasy based on the classic ballet. Mackenzie Foy (2018, PG)

11.40pm Fantasia 2000 ★★★ Animated follow-up. (1999, U) **1.00am The Hunchback of Notre Dame** ★★★★ Musical. Tom Hulce (1996, U) **2.40 Spooky Buddies** ★★ Comedy. (2011, U) **4.15** As 9.55pm

Thriller

Sky 309 **Virgin** 409 **BT** 509

6.00am As 8.15pm **7.50** As 4.05pm **10.00 Safe House** ★★★ Action thriller. Ryan Reynolds (2012, 15) **12 noon** As 10pm **2.05pm The Bone Collector** ★★★ Crime thriller. Denzel Washington, Angelina Jolie (1999, 15) **4.05 Déjà Vu** ★★★ Sci-fi action thriller. Denzel Washington, Val Kilmer (2006, 12)

6.15pm The Taking of Pelham 123 ★★ Tony Scott's retread of the 1974 New York subway hijack classic. Denzel Washington, John Travolta (2009, 15)

8.15 Unstoppable ★★★ Denzel Washington and Chris Pine must try to stop a runaway train with a toxic cargo. (2010, 12)

10.00 The Equalizer 2 ★★★ The ex-secret agent-turned-good Samaritan continues to right wrongs. Denzel Washington (2018, 15)

12.05am Safe House As 10am **2.15 The Taking of Pelham 123** As 6.15pm **4.15 Deep Family Secrets** ★★★ Surprisingly absorbing tale. Richard Crenna (1997)

Sci-Fi/Horror

Sky 311 **Virgin** 411 **BT** 511

7.00am Evolution ★★★ Sci-fi action comedy. David Duchovny (2001, PG) **8.45 Ready Player One** As 6.30pm **11.15 The Matrix** As 9pm **1.45pm The Matrix Reloaded** As 11.30pm **4.15 The Matrix Revolutions** ★★★ Sci-fi action thriller. Keanu Reeves, Carrie-Anne Moss, Laurence Fishburne (2003, 15)

6.30pm Ready Player One ★★★ A young gamer tries to solve a life-changing puzzle in a virtual reality game. Tye Sheridan (2018, 12)

9.00 The Matrix ★★★★★ A computer hacker is drawn into a nightmare of alternative worlds and mind control. Keanu Reeves (1999, 15)

11.30 The Matrix Reloaded ★★★ Keanu Reeves returns to the computer-generated Matrix to try to fulfil a prophecy. (2002, 15)

2.00am The Matrix Revolutions As 4.15pm **4.10 Close Encounters of the Third Kind** ★★★★★ Collector's Edition of Steven Spielberg's classic sci-fi drama. Richard Dreyfuss, François Truffaut (1977/1998, PG)

Harry Potter

Sky 306 **Virgin** 406 **BT** 506

6.50am The Order of the Phoenix ★★★★ (2007, 12) **9.10 The Half-Blood Prince** ★★★★ (2009, 12) **11.45 The Deathly Hallows: Part 1** ★★★ (2010, 12) **2.15pm The Deathly Hallows: Part 2** ★★★★★ The boy wizard and Voldemort clash for the final time. Daniel Radcliffe (2011, 12)

4.30pm Fantastic Beasts: the Crimes of Grindelwald ★★★★ Newt Scamander heads to Paris to search for an escaped convict. Eddie Redmayne, Katherine Waterston (2018, 12)

7.00 The Philosopher's Stone ★★★★ Harry is whisked off to Hogwarts. Daniel Radcliffe (2001, PG)

9.35 The Chamber of Secrets ★★★★ Dobby brings Harry a warning and Hogwart's pupils are petrified. Daniel Radcliffe (2002, PG)

12.15am The Prisoner of Azkaban ★★★★ A dangerous criminal is on the run. Daniel Radcliffe (2004, PG) **2.35 The Goblet of Fire** ★★★★ A deadly competition for Harry. Daniel Radcliffe (2005, 12)

Comedy

Sky 310 **Virgin** 408 **BT** 508

7.00am Smallfoot ★★ Animation. (2018, U) **8.50 Who Framed Roger Rabbit** ★★★★★ (1988, PG) **10.40 Paul Blart: Mall Cop** ★★ Comedy. (2009, PG) **12.25pm The Lego Movie** ★★★★ Adventure. (2014, U) **2.10 The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part** ★★★★ Adventure. **Choice, p138.** (2019, U)

4.10pm Life of the Party ★★ Melissa McCarthy returns to college. Maya Rudolph, Debby Ryan (2018, 12)

6.00 Little ★★ A tech magnate learns a life lesson. Regina Hall (2019, 12A)

8.00 Shaun of the Dead ★★★★★ Zombies take over London. Simon Pegg, Nick Frost (2004, 15)

9.45 Hot Fuzz ★★★★ An overachieving London cop is transferred to a crime-free village. Simon Pegg, Nick Frost, Jim Broadbent (2007, 15)

11.45pm The World's End ★★★ Comedy. Simon Pegg (2013, 15) **1.40am Deuce Bigalow: Male Gigolo** ★★ Comedy. Rob Schneider (1999, 15) **3.10** As 8.50am **5.00 That Thing You Do!** ★★★★ Musical. Tom Everett Scott (1996, PG)

TCM Movies

Sky 315 **Virgin** 415 **BT** 512 **HD** **Virgin** 416

6.30am Hollywood's Best Film Directors **7.00 Guess Who's Coming to Dinner** ★★★★ (1967, PG) **9.05 Frenchie** ★★ (1950) **10.40 Stranger than Fiction** ★★★★ (2006, 12) **1.00pm The Train Robbers** ★★★ (1973, U) **3.00 When the Daltons Rode** ★★★ Western. (1940)

4.50pm Rio Lobo ★★★ Leisurely western. John Wayne, Jennifer O'Neill (1970, PG)

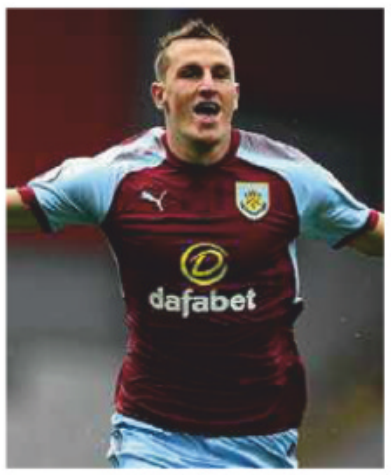
7.10 Sierra ★★ Routine western. Wanda Hendrix, Audie Murphy (1950, U)

9.00 Magnum Force ★★★ Clint Eastwood is on fine form as the no-nonsense cop. Hal Holbrook (1973, 18)

11.35 The Fugitive ★★★★ Wrongfully convicted surgeon Harrison Ford is hunted by dogged lawman Tommy Lee Jones in this exciting thriller. (1993, 15)

2.15am The Big Sleep ★★★★★ Smart, stylish and sexy detective drama. Humphrey Bogart, Lauren Bacall (1946, PG) **4.30** Hollywood's Best Film Directors **5.55** Close Up **TCM Movies +1** **Sky** 316 **Virgin** 417

SPORT



Premier League Football
7.00pm ***BT Sport 1*** Burnley's formidable striker Chris Wood

Sky Main Event

Sky 401 **Virgin** 511 **BT** 402 **HD** **Virgin** 501 **BT** 437

6.00am Sky Sports News **7.00** Good Morning Sports Fans **7.30 LIVE Test Cricket** South Africa v England, day three of the first Test from Centurion. **12 noon LIVE Premier League Football** Brighton & Hove Albion v Bournemouth (kick-off **12.30**). **3.00pm** Soccer Saturday **5.00 LIVE Premier League Football** Norwich City v Tottenham Hotspur (kick-off **5.30**). **8.00 LIVE World Darts** Day 13. **11.00** Formula One Season Review **12 midnight** Sky Sports News **3.00am LIVE Bellator MMA** **5.30–6.00am** Sky Sports News

Sky Football

Sky 403 **Virgin** 513 **HD** **Virgin** 503

6.00am Championship Highlights **7.00** Scottish Football **7.30** Championship Highlights **9.30** Saturday Social **10.30** Soccer AM **12 noon** Scottish Football **12.30pm** MLS **1.00** Soccer Saturday **5.30** MLS **8.00** Scottish Football **8.15** SPFL Greatest Games **9.00** Scottish Football **10.30** SPFL Greatest Games **11.00** Scottish Football **12 midnight** MLS **12.30am** Championship Highlights **2.00** SPFL Greatest Games **2.30** One2Eleven (AD) **3.00** Classic Play-Offs **4.00** Greatest Players (AD) **5.00–6.00am** Classic Play-Offs

Sky Golf

Sky 405 **Virgin** 515 **HD** **Virgin** 505

6.00am Profiles (AD) **6.15** PGA Championship: 2012 Film (AD) **7.15** PGA Championship: 2014 Film (AD) **8.15** PGA Championship Golf: the final day of the 2019 tournament **4.30pm** PGA Championship: 2012 Official Film (AD) **5.30** How the 2019 USPGA Was Won **7.30** PGA Championship: 2014 Official Film (AD) **8.30** How The 2019 USPGA Was Won **10.30** PGA Championship: 2012 Official Film (AD) **11.30** PGA Championship: 2014 Official Film (AD) **12.30am** How the 2019 USPGA Was Won **2.30** PGA Championship: 2014 Official Film (AD) **3.30** PGA Tour Profiles (AD) **3.45** How the 2019 USPGA Was Won **5.45–6.00am** PGA Tour Profiles (AD)

Premier Sports 1

Sky 412 **Virgin** 551

6.00–8.00pm LIVE Rugby Union Pro14: Munster v Leinster.

Premier Sports 2

Sky 429 **Virgin** 552

2.30–5.15pm LIVE Rugby Union Edinburgh v Glasgow, in the Pro14.

Sky Premier League

Sky 402 **Virgin** 512 **HD** **Virgin** 502

6.00am Greatest Games (AD) **7.00** Preview **7.30** World **8.00** Premier League Review **9.00** Preview **9.30** Saturday Social **10.30** Soccer AM **12 noon LIVE Premier League Football** Brighton & Hove Albion v Bournemouth (kick-off **12.30**). **3.00pm** Soccer Saturday **5.00 LIVE Premier League Football** Norwich City v Tottenham Hotspur (kick-off **5.30**). **8.00** 100 Club: England's Finest **8.30** Game of the Day **10.30** Premier League Highlights **2.00am** 100 Club (AD) **2.30** Premier League Highlights **5.30–6.00am** 100 Club: England's Finest (AD)

Sky Cricket

Sky 404 **Virgin** 514 **HD** **Virgin** 504

6.00am Test Cricket **6.30** Cricket Debate **7.15** Test Cricket **7.30 LIVE Test Cricket** South Africa v England, day three. **4.00pm** Test Cricket **4.15** Debate **5.00** Test Cricket **6.00** Debate **6.45** Test Cricket **8.00** Debate **8.45** Test Cricket **10.00** Debate **10.45** Test Cricket **11.00** Cricket 360 **12 midnight** Test Cricket **1.00am** Debate **1.45** Test Cricket **3.00** Debate **3.45** Cricket 360 **4.45** Greatest Games (AD) **5.15** Best of England v New Zealand **5.40–6.00am** World Cup

Sky Action

Sky 407 **Virgin** 517 **HD** **Virgin** 507

6.00am Looking Back at Reggie **7.00** NFL: America's Game (AD) **8.00** NBA Classic Games **9.00** Wrestling **11.00** NFL Roundtable **11.30** NBA Heatcheck **12 noon** NBA Classics **3.00pm** Allen Iverson: the Answer **4.00** Wrestling **5.00** NFL **6.00** Shaq: the Big Conversation (AD) **7.00** Great Sporting Moments (AD) **7.15** NBA **9.00** NFL Hard Knocks **10.00 LIVE NBA** Denver Nuggets v Memphis Grizzlies (Tip-off **10.00**). **12.30am** NBA Classic Games **1.30** NFL: America's Game (AD) **2.30** Great Moments (AD) **3.00 LIVE Bellator MMA** Fedor Emelianenko v Rampage Jackson. **5.30–6.00am** Great Sporting Moments: archive footage (AD)

Sky Darts

Sky 408 **Virgin** 518 **HD** **Virgin** 508

6.00am Darts Gold **7.00** World Darts **11.00** Darts Top Five Moments **12 noon** Darts Gold: archive arrows **12.30pm LIVE World Darts** The first session on day 13 at the PDC World Championship, featuring three fourth-round matches. **4.30** Darts Gold (AD) **6.30** Darts Top Five Moments **7.00 LIVE World Darts** Three more fourth-round matches. **11.00** Darts Gold (AD) **1.00am** World Darts **5.00–6.00am** Darts Gold

Eurosport 1

Sky 410 **Virgin** 521 **BT** 412 **HD** **BT** 435

7.00am Watts **7.05** Alpine Skiing **9.05 LIVE Alpine Skiing** The women's World Cup giant slalom at Lienz, Austria. More at 12.20pm. **10.15 LIVE Alpine Skiing** The men's World Cup downhill at Bormio, Italy. **11.45** Alpine Skiing **12.20pm LIVE Alpine Skiing** **1.30** Alpine Skiing **2.20** Ski Jumping **3.20 LIVE Ski Jumping** Qualifying for the opening Four Hills meeting. **4.45** Alpine Skiing **6.45** Ski Jumping **7.45** Cross-Country Skiing **9.00** Alpine Skiing **10.00** Ski Jumping **11.00** Alpine Skiing **12 midnight** Cross-Country Skiing **12.40–7.00am** Watts

BT Sport 1

Sky 413 **Virgin** 527 **BT** 408 **HD** **BT** 430

6.00am LIVE Australian Football Western Utd v Wellington. **8.00** Scottish Football **8.15** What I Wore: Robbie Fowler **8.30 LIVE Australian Football** Newcastle Jets v Brisbane Roar. **10.30** Premier League Football **11.30** Mic'd Up: Nick Cushing **12 noon LIVE Non-League Football** Sutton Utd v Yeovil Town. **2.45pm** BT Sport Score **5.00** Too Good to Go Down (AD) **6.45** What I Wore: Owen Hargreaves (AD) **7.00 LIVE Premier League Football** Burnley v Manchester United, at Turf Moor (k/o **7.45**). **10.15** 30 for 30: Chuck and Tito (AD) **11.45** Scottish Football **12 midnight** BT Sport Goals Reload **1.00am** UFC Now (AD) **2.00** Australian Football **5.00–7.00am LIVE Australian Women's Football** Sydney FC v Adelaide United (kick-off **5.00**).

BT Sport 2

Sky 414 **Virgin** 528 **BT** 409 **HD** **BT** 431

7.15am Yachting (AD) **7.45** BT Sport Big Bash Reload **8.00 LIVE T20 Cricket** Sydney Sixers v Sydney Thunder. **11.15** Test Cricket **12.15pm** Big Bash Reload **12.30** BT Sport Reload **1.00** German Football **1.30 LIVE Rugby Union** Northampton Saints v Gloucester; **4.15** Harlequins v Leicester Tigers. **6.45** BT Sport Films **8.15** Test Cricket **9.15** Rugby Union **11.15–7.15am LIVE Test Cricket** Australia v New Zealand.

BT Sport 3

Sky 417 **Virgin** 529 **BT** 410 **HD** **BT** 432

6.00am Premier League Football **7.00** Classic Football (AD) **8.00** Premier League Review **9.00** Premier League Football **9.30** Classic Football (AD) **10.30** Rugby Union **12 noon** Scottish Football **2.00pm** Inside Sailing (AD) **2.30** Sailing (AD) **3.00** Test Cricket **4.00** T20 Cricket **5.00 LIVE American Football** **8.30** Australian Football **11.30** Non-League Football **1.00am** BT Sport Reload **1.30** 30 for 30 (AD) **3.30** Rugby Union **5.30** BT Sport Reload **5.45–6.00am** Scottish Football

BT Sport ESPN

Sky 423 **Virgin** 530 **BT** 411 **HD** **BT** 434

6.45 Reload **7.00** ESPN FC **7.30** American Football **1.30pm** ESPN FC **2.00** College GameDay **5.00 LIVE American Football** A triple-header of college action, starting with the Cotton Bowl. **4.45am** The American Game **5.45–6.00am** BT Sport Reload

Eurosport 2

Sky 411 **Virgin** 522 **BT** 413 **HD** **BT** 436

6.00am British Superbikes **8.00** Cliff Diving **9.00** Snooker **11.00** Triathlon **11.35 LIVE Cross-Country Skiing** World Cup meeting at Lenzerheide, Switzerland. More at 1.05pm. **12.20pm** Cross-Country Skiing **1.05 LIVE Cross-Country Skiing** **2.05** Cross-Country Skiing **2.35** Hall of Fame Pyeongchang **3.35** Snowman Triathlon **4.00** Swimming **5.00** Motorcycling **6.00** British Superbikes **8.00** Freestyle Skiing **9.00** Climbing **11.15** Ski Jumping **12.15am** Alpine Skiing **1.15** Cross-Country Skiing **2.00** Ski Jumping **3.00** Motocross **4.00** Superbikes: MotoAmerica **5.00–6.00am** Australian Superbikes

SUNDAY Choices The pick of today's TV



CENTRE OF THE STORM
Christine Keeler (Sophie Cookson) and Mandy Rice-Davies (Ellie Bamber)

PICK OF THE DAY The Trial of Christine Keeler *9.00pm* ***BBC1***

DRAMA *New series* I'm surprised it's taken television so long to dramatise one of the biggest, most seismic of all British political scandals, the 1960s Profumo affair. It still encompasses the kind of contemporary relevance so beloved of modern dramas – class, money, sex and race.

Secretary of State for War in the Harold Macmillan government, John Profumo (Ben Miles), is a suave former Harrow and Oxford University chap with a distinguished military record, who's looked upon as a potential prime minister. He also bathes in the reflected glamour of his film star wife Valerie Hobson (Emilia Fox). But he has a fondness for young women and a fateful meeting with 19-year-old showgirl Christine Keeler (Sophie Cookson) unleashes catastrophe.

Scriptwriter Amanda Coe has done a good job of bringing together the knotty strands of a story of power and weakness that reaches to the very top of the establishment. **ALISON GRAHAM**

See feature: page 56

The Repair Shop at Christmas
7.00pm ***BBC1***

FACTUAL Keep the Christmas vibe going with a trip to the workshop of dreams for some long-treasured presents (a little late for Christmas). There's the Raleigh Chopper that brothers Andy and Glenn were delighted to find by the end of their bed on Christmas Day morning in 1975: it is rusted and worn but just the sight of it will bring a nostalgic rush for viewers of a certain age.

As always, this is warming TV, a comforting cardigan of a show that makes you feel all's right with the world and all that is broken will one day be fixed – including a teddy bear that comforted its owner through wartime bombing. **DAVID BUTCHER**

Essential Royal Ballet
7.00pm ***BBC4***

ARTS Katie Derham visits the Royal Opera House to look back at the company's past decade of performances – from the classics such as *Giselle* and *Swan Lake* to 20th-century greats from Frederick Ashton and Kenneth MacMillan, plus contemporary works by Christopher Wheeldon and Wayne McGregor.

But the dancers are the main draw and, as well as seeing stunning solos, pas de deux and corps de ballet numbers, stars including Carlos Acosta, Natalia Osipova and Francesca Hayward introduce their favourite ballets and share stories of their lives on stage. **DAVID CRAWFORD**

Antiques Roadshow
8.00pm ***BBC1***

FACTUAL An item with a fascinating back story is valued. The owner gasps; the Roadshow onlookers applaud. But what happens next? In this update we discover how a briefcase that belonged to a Second World War pilot and was connected to the Great Escape resulted in a moving family reunion, and also learn what a bronze water-dropper (valued at £10,000 at the Newcastle Roadshow) fetched when it was put up for auction.

Meanwhile, Fiona Bruce hears what was inside a 200-year-old bottle of wine that Andy McConnell foolishly tasted in 2016. **JANE RACKHAM**

Snow Cats and Me
8.00pm ***BBC2***

NATURE Russia is a stronghold for the lynx but hundreds are kept in captivity either to breed kittens for their fur or – astonishingly – as domestic pets. In this two-part film, Gordon Buchanan helps rescue four cats and gradually prepare them for release into the wild.

Koshka and Miass have been held in cages in a fur trapper's garage for years and are now in poor health (which is why their owner is selling them). It's a long process building up their wasted muscles and helping them adjust to freedom, because they have psychological problems, too: despite being wild creatures, they've never seen a tree or the sky before. **JR**

See feature: page 18

Children's Choices

Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang
2.55pm ***ITV2***

This sequel to *Nanny McPhee* delivers more of the mercurial governess with the looks of a gargoyle, liberally adapted from the books by star Emma Thompson. Maggie Gyllenhaal is the farmer's wife juggling five kids while hubby Ewan McGregor fights in the trenches.

P Captain Underpants: the First Epic Movie *10.40am* ***BBC1***

Two prank-happy fourth-graders try to make each other laugh, despite "the worst school principal in the world", Mr Krupp. They inadvertently hypnotise him into thinking he is superhero Captain Underpants, his actions dictated by the pair's home-made comic. Bubblegum-bendy style and smart repartee combine to bring exercise-book doodles to often scatological life.



Lost Home Movies of Nazi Germany
9.00pm ***BBC4***

HISTORY Much is made of the banality of the Nazi evil – all that form-filling, the ruthless efficiency – but what of quotidian life during the Third Reich? These films of ordinary citizens at home have been unearthed from attics across Germany, hidden since 1945. They give a fascinating insight into what many Germans were thinking about what Adolf Hitler's regime promised for the nation.

The footage shows the rise of antisemitism in all its grotesquery. But the shocking sights are not confined to the home front, as a soldier on the Russian steppe captures the full horrors of Operation Barbarossa. **DC**

Hawaii Five-0
9.00pm ***Sky 1***

DRAMA We're now up to season ten, so it's no surprise that Steve and Danny are looking a little grizzled. A decade of sliding across bonnets has got to be punishing on the body, right?

To compensate, the writers are offering two things: bigger guns and ever-more cartoonish car chases. If you require proof, check out the monster truck and oversized rifles that feature in this opening episode. It's like the series is being sponsored by Hot Wheels and Nerf.

As for the plotline, well, there's something in there about mob bosses being targeted for assassination. But the finer details are drowned out in the din of bullets and screeching tyres. **DAVID BROWN**

Joe Lycett: I'm About to Lose Control and I Think Joe Lycett
10.00pm ***C4***

COMEDY The mischievous comic's stand-up show, recorded in the summer, is crammed with puns, social media shenanigans and gripes about life's little irritations, whether that be the daft names that Farrow & Ball give their paint colours, or the frustrations of communicating with a bank. Lycett loves to poke fun at the pompous and the preposterous and does it seemingly effortlessly.

But while he's not one to rage or to be overly political, occasionally there's a sting in the tail, namely his run-in with Tom Daley over the Olympic diver's bank-sponsored presence at Pride in 2017. **JR**



MOUNTAIN MEN
Paddy, Chris and Freddie take the high road

Top Gear Nepal Special
9.00pm ***BBC2***

MOTORING Freddie Flintoff is driving a rickety, Nepalese-built car up a mountain road that is little more than a ledge etched onto the rock face, with a sheer drop to one side. "I know it's all fun and a laugh," he says, looking rattled, "but this is proper. This is one mistake and you're gone."

There's a twist, because at this point in the *Top Gear* lads' Christmas Himalayan trek, Flintoff is towing Chris Harris (in a broken-down Renault 4) behind him, so if one of them goes, they both go...

It's one of the dicier moments in a typically tetchy, entertaining road trip. The sequences available for preview suggest Flintoff, Harris and Paddy McGuinness are building on their comic chemistry with some memorable mishaps. When your Renault's handbrake has a mind of its own, disaster is never far off.

DAVID BUTCHER

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DISCOVER TV PICKS

The best of streaming and catch-up



Margate, Turner and the Prize
iPlayer (expires today)

In the past decade Margate, a previously unpretentious and slightly knackered seaside resort on Kent's north coast, has become a haven for trendy young adults priced out of London – and particularly for artists. Tracey Emin and this year's Turner Prize shortlistees are, along with longer-term residents, among those tracking the changes to the town in an appropriately eccentric little documentary.

Tunes for Tyrants
iPlayer (ep1 expires today)

Suzy Klein's 2017 series on how 20th-century music became a political force is typically sparky and smart. She begins in the aftermath of the Russian Revolution. **JACK SEALE**

BEST LIVE SPORT



■ **Scottish Premiership: Celtic v Rangers** *11.30am (k/o 12.30pm)* ***Sky Football/Main Event*** Does Celtic striker Odsonne Édouard know the score in the derby?

■ **Premier League Football** *1pm* ***Sky PL/*** *2.30pm* ***Main Event:*** **Arsenal v Chelsea** *(k/o 2pm);* **Liverpool v Wolves** *(k/o 4.30pm)*

■ **Test Cricket: South Africa v England, first Test, day four** *7.30am* ***Sky Cricket/Main Event***

P FILM OF THE DAY

Liam Gallagher: As It Was
10.15pm ***BBC2***

Documentary following the singer after the break-up of his band, Oasis. **See page 87**

ALLSTAR; GETTY

SUNDAY Main Channels

DAYTIME

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast News and entertainment. (S) (HD)
7.40 Match of the Day Highlights of West Ham United v Leicester City. Shown yesterday 10.30pm (S) (HD)
9.15 Monsters vs Aliens ★★★★ Animated sci-fi comedy with the voices of Reese Witherspoon, Seth Rogen and Hugh Laurie. Five freaks of nature stave off an invasion by an alien overlord.
Directors Rob Letterman, Conrad Vernon (2009, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
10.40 Captain Underpants: the First Epic Movie P ★★★★ Animated comedy featuring the voices of Ed Helms and Kevin Hart. Two pranksters hypnotise their mean-spirited school principal into becoming Captain Underpants. **Review p87; See choice, p189.**
Director David Soren (2017, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
12 noon Blue Planet II: Oceans of Wonder Highlights from the second series of David Attenborough's documentary. The whole series is on iPlayer. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
1.00pm BBC News Weather for the Week Ahead (S) (HD)
1.15 Songs of Praise: the Big Sing *2/2.* Claire McCollum is in Belfast's Assembly Hall, where guests Dana, Margaret Keys and the Priests perform. (S) (HD)
1.50–3.50 Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade ★★★★★ Action adventure starring Harrison Ford and Sean Connery. When archaeologist Henry Jones disappears, Indiana joins in the search for him and encounters some old enemies along the way.
Director Steven Spielberg (1989, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

BBC2

6.30am Countryfile John Craven and the team visit Tyntesfield in north Somerset. Shown Sunday 22 December BBC1 7pm Signed repeat tomorrow 2.20am (S) (HD)
7.30 This Farming Life The McLeans bring in a fertility expert to check on their pregnant cows. (R) (S) (HD)
8.30 The Great British Sewing Bee *1/8* *Series 5* Contestants transform three items of denim clothing. **9.30 *2/8.*** The nine remaining home-sewers are tasked with making children's clothes. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
10.30 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites Highlights. (S) (HD)
12 noon Inside the Factory Gregg Wallace finds out how a tanker full of sugar is transformed into 100 million individual sweets in just 24 hours. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
1.00pm Animal Babies: First Year on Earth An Arctic fox cub is rejected by its mother. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
2.00–3.00 The Secret Life of Mary Poppins Victoria Coren Mitchell explores the life of author PL Travers, on whose books the film *Mary Poppins* was based. (R) (S) (HD)

ITV

6.00am CITV See page 195 **8.25 ITV News** (S) (HD)
8.30 The Sara Cox Show With guests Sarah Parish, Robson Green, Luke Kempner and Tony Singh. (S) (HD)
9.25 Beautiful Baking with Juliet Sear *9/10* Merrilees Parker serves up party food. (S) (HD)
10.25 John and Lisa's Christmas Kitchen *10/10* Lisa Faulkner makes chicken liver pâté. (S) (HD)
11.25 Nadia's Family Feasts *9/10.* A New Year feast featuring roasted poussin and beef Wellington. (S) (HD)
12.25pm ITV News Weather; Regional Weather (S) (HD)
12.30 Dancing on Ice at Christmas Phillip Schofield and Holly Willoughby present the 2020 launch show. **See choice, p110.** Shown Sunday 22 December 7pm (S) (HD)
2.25–3.25 Paul O'Grady: for the Love of Dogs Paul helps a reclusive mongrel. Shown Boxing Day 6pm (S) (AD) (HD)

Channel 4

6.05am Escape from Planet Earth ★★★ Animated sci-fi comedy with the voices of Rob Corddry and Brendan Fraser. A little blue alien from the planet Baab must navigate danger on Earth when his astronaut brother is captured by General Shanker.
Director Cal Brunker (2013, U) (S) (W) (HD)
7.30 The Simpsons Homer joins a secret society.
7.55 Homer recalls Maggie's birth.
8.25 Homer is accused of sexual harassment.
8.55 Homer becomes Mr Burns' assistant. (R) (S) (AD)
9.30 Sunday Brunch Tim Lovejoy and Simon Rimmer talk to Natalie Cassidy and Wretch 32. (S) (HD)
12.30–3.10pm Hulk ★★★ Sci-fi action fantasy starring Eric Bana and Jennifer Connelly. Following exposure to radiation, scientist Bruce Banner transforms into a raging green monster.
Director Ang Lee (2003, 12) (S) (W) (HD)

BBC1



The Trial of Christine Keeler *9.00pm* Notes on a scandal: a young woman faces up to the establishment

3.50pm Monsters University ★★★★
Pixar's animated comedy prequel, featuring the voices of Billy Crystal and John Goodman. Young Mike Wazowski goes to Monsters University determined to prove himself. **Review page 87.**
Director Dan Scanlon (2013, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

5.25 Hammy's Boomerang Adventure *Over the Hedge* spin-off featuring Hammy the squirrel. (R) (S) (HD)

5.30 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

6.00 Countryfile
Steve Brown spends the day on a community farm in Somerset that is helping people to learn more about their food. Including **Weather for the Week Ahead**.
Executive editor Bill Lyons (S) (HD)

7.00 The Repair Shop at Christmas
RT There's no let up for the dedicated and skilled craftspeople as they set to renovating a worn-out bear belonging to 88-year-old Beryl, a reminder of her wartime childhood. **See page 188.**
Series producers Helen Page and Tanveer Bari; Executive producers Rob Butterfield, Emma Walsh and Hannah Lamb (S) (HD)

8.00 Antiques Roadshow
RT Experts discover what happened next to their favourite pieces. Frances Christie is reunited with sketches by Mervyn Peake, while Lee Young finds out what happened to a bronze water-dripper. **See p188.**
Series producer Robert Murphy; Exec producer Gill Tierney (S) (HD)

9.00 The Trial of Christine Keeler
RT ***New series. 1/6.*** Screenwriter Amanda Coe takes a fresh look at the Profumo Affair, a scandal that rocked the British establishment in the 1960s.
It's the winter of 1962 and model Christine Keeler is seeking refuge from a violent stalker at the home of her mentor, osteopath Stephen Ward. She confides in her friend Mandy Rice-Davies about her affair the previous year with Conservative war minister John Profumo. Continues tomorrow 9pm. **See page 188.**

Christine Keeler	**Sophie Cookson**	Paul Mann	**Jack Greenlees**
John Profumo	**Ben Miles**	Bronwen	**Rosalind Halstead**
Valerie Profumo	**Emilia Fox**	Woods	**Martin Hutson**
Stephen Ward	**James Norton**	Earl of Arran	**Jonathan Kemp**
Mandy Rice-Davies	**Ellie Bamber**	Len	**Dorian Lough**
Peter Rachmann	**Jonny Coyne**	Ann	**Emma Naomi**
Alan	**Sam Crane**	Rees-Davies	**Paul Ryan**
Michael Eddowes	**Anton Lesser**	Julie	**Amanda Drew**
Bill Astor	**Michael Maloney**	Ronna	**Charlene Boyd**
Roger Hollis	**Aidan McArdle**	John Hobson	**William Gaminara**
Redmayne	**Tim McInnerny**	Paula	**Chloe Harris**
Johnny Edgecombe	**Nathan Stewart-Jarrett**	John Hamilton Marshall	**Jonny Lavelle**
		Vickie Barrett	**Ella Peel**
DS Burrows	**Sam Troughton**	Emil Suvandra	**Neran Persaud**
Eugene Ivanov	**Visar Vishka**	Jayasunta	**Narinder Samra**
George Wigg	**Danny Webb**	Police officer	**Jamie Muscato**
Lucky Gordon	**Anthony Welsh**	Sergeant	**Alexander Perkins**
Darrell	**El Anthony**	Magistrate	**Pablo Raybould**

Producer Rebecca Ferguson; Director Andrea Harkin (S) (AD) (HD)
See feature: page 56

10.00 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

10.30 Match of the Day 2
Highlights of Liverpool v Wolves, Arsenal v Chelsea and Manchester City v Sheffield United. (S) (HD)
Match of the Day is on New Year's Day 11.10pm

11.35 Would I Lie to You at Christmas?
With Liz Bonnin, Stephen Merchant, Sharon Osbourne and Ranj Singh. **See choice, page 159.**
Shown Boxing Day 9.30pm (S) (HD)

12.05am Have I Got a Bit More 2019 News for You Extended compilation. Shown Friday 27 December 9.30pm (S) (HD)
12.50 The Hit List With Susan Calman, John Barnes and Scott Mills. **See choice, p179.** Shown yesterday 7.45pm (S) (HD)
1.35 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) (HD)
1.40–6.00am BBC News (S) (HD)

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BBC2



Snow Cats and Me *8.00pm* Having rescued lynx Koshka, Gordon has a surprise in store

3.00pm Saving Mr Banks ★★★★★
Drama based on a true story. Film-maker Walt Disney is set on making a movie about magical nanny Mary Poppins but her creator, author PL Travers, is reluctant to agree to his proposal. It's only when Travers flies out to LA that Disney realises there's more to the story than he realised. **Review p87.**

PL Travers	**Emma Thompson**	Ralph	**Paul Giamatti**
Walt Disney	**Tom Hanks**	Don DaGradi	**Bradley Whitford**
Travers Goff	**Colin Farrell**	Richard M Sherman	**Jason Schwartzman**

Director John Lee Hancock (2013, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

5.00 Australia: Earth's Magical Kingdom *1/3.* Exploring the amazing strategies for survival the animals of Australia have developed, including the echidna's tolerance of cold. More tomorrow 5pm.
Series director Tosca Looby; Executive producers Karina Holden, Sue Clothier, Caroline Hawkins and Clare Birks (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00 The Octopus in My House
In this intriguing *Natural World* film, Professor David Scheel introduces an octopus into his household.
Director Anna Fitch; Series producer Holly Spearing (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

7.00 Mortimer and Whitehouse: Gone Fishing *3/6* *Series 2.* Bob had a childhood dream of catching a salmon, so he and Paul head for the Tay. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
7.30 *4/6.* While fishing for perch, Bob is miffed that Paul has far superior seating. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Snow Cats and Me
RT ***1/2.*** Cameraman Gordon Buchanan travels to Russia to help cat expert Dr Victor Lukarevski as he tries to rescue lynx from the fur and pet trades, with the aim of releasing them into the wild. In the Urals, they find Koshka and Miass, who have been held in cages, but are then stunned by the arrival of two kittens. Continues tomorrow 9pm. **See p188.**
Executive producers Ted Oakes and Wendy Rattray; Series producer Jonny Young Rptd Thursday 2 January 7pm (S) (AD) (HD)
See feature: page 18

9.00 Top Gear Nepal Special
RT Paddy McGuinness, Freddie Flintoff and Chris Harris tackle a high-altitude expedition from Kathmandu, capital of Nepal, to the Forbidden City of Lo Manthang on the far side of the Himalayas. The five-day trip finds the boys battling huge rivers and vast mudslides that would test the hardiest new 4x4s. However, they're not driving 4x4s, they're driving an old Peugeot, a very small Renault and Nepal's only home-built car. Will they all make it? **See page 189.** (S) (HD)
See feature: page 48

10.15 Liam Gallagher: As It Was ★★★★
P Documentary following the singer after the break-up of his band, Oasis. With his career at a crossroads, the outspoken frontman contemplates his return as a solo artist. **Film of the Day: page 87.**
Directors Charlie Lightening and Gavin Fitzgerald (2019, 15) (S) (W) (HD)

11.40 Alan Partridge: Alpha Papa ★★★★
Comedy. Norwich DJ Alan Partridge is unconcerned when his local radio station is bought out. But when he finds out that it's either himself or fellow DJ Pat Farrell who must go, Alan makes sure that it's his colleague who gets the boot. However, when a shotgun-wielding Farrell holds the staff hostage, he must save the day.

Alan Partridge	**Steve Coogan**	Pat Farrell	**Colm Meaney**
Lynn Benfield	**Felicity Montagu**	Steve Stubbs	**Sean Pertwee**
Michael	**Simon Greenall**	Janet Whitehead	**Anna Maxwell Martin**

Director Declan Lowney (2013, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.05–2.50am Sign Zone 1.05 Inside the Supermarket *6/6* A produce team checks out the pumpkin crop. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
2.05 Best House in Town The owners of detached properties in Cardiff compete for a place in the final. (R) (S)

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ITV



Quizmaster
6.00pm Presenter Jeremy Vine gets quizzical with 15 champions vying for the crown

3.25pm Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? Celebrity Special
Sports broadcaster Clare Balding, actor Stephen Mangan and *Coronation Street* star Catherine Tyldesley bid to win £1 million for their chosen charities. Jeremy Clarkson asks the questions.
Shown Christmas Day 9pm (S) (HD)

4.45 Tenable All Stars
Five political figures join forces to take on the *Tenable* Tower and achieve a perfect ten in the list-based quiz hosted by Warwick Davis.
Series producer Mike Maclaine
Executive producer Richard Greenwood (S) (HD)

5.45 ITV News Weather (S) (HD)

5.55 Regional News Weather (S) (HD)

6.00 Quizmaster
In this special, Jeremy Vine pits 15 champions from some of Britain's toughest quiz shows against each other in intellectual combat. The brainy gladiators include winners from *Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?*, *Fifteen to One* and *The Chase*, with familiar faces such as Bobby Seagull and Eric Monkman from *University Challenge*, *Mastermind* champion Isabelle Heward and serial *Pointless Celebrities* winner Shaun Williamson. Who will have the glory of being crowned Britain's ultimate quiz champ?
Director Richard V'ant Reit; Series producer Colin Farquhar (S) (HD)

7.35 The Chase Celebrity Special
Comedian Russell Kane, professional dancer Kevin Clifton, actress Bonnie Langford and Leonie Elliott from *Call the Midwife* take on the Chaser, with the aim of winning the jackpot for their charities. Bradley Walsh hosts. (R) (S) (HD)

8.35 Torvill and Dean
Drama starring Will Tudor and Poppy Lee Friar, depicting Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean's humble origins in Nottingham, and how they came together and discovered the creative impetus that would set them on the path to becoming Olympic ice-dance champions.

Christopher Dean	**Will Tudor**	Brian Dawson	**Joe Docherty**
Jayne Torvill	**Poppy Lee Friar**	Miss Perry	**Anita Dobson**
Young Christopher	**Mason Hart**	Janet Sawbridge	**Jaime Winstone**
Young Jayne	**Danielle Hadfield-Ashton**	Betty Callaway	**Annabelle Apsion**
Colin Dean	**Dean Andrews**	Aidy	**Daniel Fitzsimons**
Mavis Dean	**Christine Bottomley**	Young Aidy	**Daniel Price**
George Torvill	**Stephen Tompkinson**	Leanne	**Cassie Bradley**
Betty Torvill	**Jo Hartley**	Shirley	**Dominique Moore**
Betty Dawson	**Susan Earl**	Ella	**Sophie Robertson**

Writer William Ivory; Producer Emma Burge
Director Gillies MacKinnon (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

10.30 ITV News
Weather; Regional Weather (S) (HD)

10.45 Knocked Up ★★★★
Romantic comedy. Alison Scott's career as a television journalist is going from strength to strength. Out on the town to celebrate a promotion, she ends up in bed with amiable slacker Ben Stone and their one-night stand results in an unexpected pregnancy that turns Alison's world upside down. **Review p87.**

Ben Stone	**Seth Rogen**	Jay	**Jay Baruchel**
Alison Scott	**Katherine Heigl**	Jonah	**Jonah Hill**
Pete	**Paul Rudd**	Jason	**Jason Segel**
Debbie	**Leslie Mann**	Martin	**Martin Starr**

Director Judd Apatow (2007, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.00am Home Shopping
3.00 Nightscreen Text information. (HD)
5.05–6.00am Ainsley's Caribbean Kitchen Ainsley Harriott explores the food of Trinidad. (R) (S) (SL) (HD)

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Channel 4



Eddie the Eagle
8.00pm Eddie's dreams of flying far through the air require the help of his mentor Bronson

3.10pm The Core ★★★
Sci-fi thriller. When the Earth's core stops rotating, humanity suffers a series of disasters. A team of scientists is assembled to design and pilot a machine to burrow to the planet's centre and set the core spinning again.

Dr Josh Keyes	**Aaron Eckhart**	Dr Conrad Zimsky	**Stanley Tucci**
Major Rebecca "Beck" Childs		Taz "Rat" Finch	**D J Qualls**
	Hilary Swank	Gen Thomas Purcell	**Richard Jenkins**
Dr Ed "Braz" Brazzelton	**Delroy Lindo**	Dr Serge Leveque	**Tcheky Karyo**

Director Jon Amiel (2002, 12) (S) (AD) (HD)

5.45 Channel 4 News Sport; Weather (S) (HD)

6.00 The Supervet at Christmas
Noel Fitzpatrick inserts special supports into Gabanna, an 11-year-old shih-tzu with damaged discs, and hopes to fix a fracture French bulldog puppy Lexi sustained in an attack by a larger dog.
Directors/Producers Sam Barnes, Kevin Forde and Charlotte Gillies (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

7.00 The Secret Life of the Zoo at Christmas
Bactrian camels Becky and Mei-Li receive a surprise in the shape of Sparky, a new addition. In the aquarium, Clerk and Doris, long-term mascara barb fish partners, welcome three new females to their tank. Meanwhile, red pandas Nima and Koda are going through a difficult patch.
Directors/Producers Sam Barns and John Tween (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Eddie the Eagle ★★★★★
Sports drama based on a true story. As athletes assemble in Calgary for the 1988 Winter Olympics, the dreams are of gold medals. But an irrepressible ski jumper from the Great Britain team will capture hearts around the world for an entirely different reason. **Review page 87.**

Michael "Eddie" Edwards	**Taron Egerton**	Eddie (15 years old)	**Jack Costello**
		Eddie (10 years old)	**Tom Costello Jr**
Bronson Peary	**Hugh Jackman**	BBC commentator	**Jim Broadbent**
Target	**Tim McInnerny**	Warren Sharp	**Christopher Walken**
Janette	**Jo Hartley**	Terry	**Keith Allen**
Matti Nykanen	**Edvin Endre**		

Director Dexter Fletcher (2016, PG) (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 Joe Lycett: I'm About to Lose Control and I Think Joe Lycett
Comedian Joe Lycett, presenter of *The Great British Sewing Bee*, returns to his first love by performing in front of a sell-out crowd at the Apollo in London. He covers a diverse range of subjects, including breaking into banks and taking on Olympic athletes. **See page 189.**
Director Brian Klein; Executive producers Joe Lycett, Hannah Chambers and Robert Callow (S) (HD)

11.00 Eight out of Ten Cats
Host Jimmy Carr, team captain Rob Beckett and guest captain Sara Pascoe are joined by special guests Emily Atack, Jamie Laing, Natasia Demetriou and Ola the Comedian in this festive edition of the comedy game show.
Director Barbara Wiltshire
Series producer Russell Balkind First shown on E4 (S) (HD)

12 midnight John and Yoko: Above Us Only Sky The making of John Lennon's album *Imagine*. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
1.40am The Crystal Maze Richard Ayoade hosts a festive celebrity edition of the game show. Guests include Ellie Simmonds, Nicola Adams and Ollie Locke. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
2.40 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA The chef visits Mama Rita's, a Mexican eatery in California. (R) (S)
3.30 The Supervet Take That's Mark Owen brings in his doberman for treatment on a limp. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
4.25 Grand Designs Two musicians plan to build a house on Scotland's west coast. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
5.20–5.50am Extreme Cake Makers Cake replicas of some cherished pets as a birthday surprise. (R) (S) (HD)

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BBC4



Essential Royal Ballet *7.00pm* Katie Derham explores what it takes to be a ballet dancer

7.00pm Essential Royal Ballet
RT On location at the Royal Opera House in London's Covent Garden, Katie Derham tells the history of the Royal Ballet using excerpts from performances during the past decade. She also goes behind the scenes to see what it takes to be one of their esteemed dancers. **See p188.**
Director Ross MacGibbon
Producer Peter Jones (S) (HD)

8.00 Flying Scotsman from the Footplate
Cameras capture the view from the cab as the *Flying Scotsman* travels the length of the Severn Valley Railway. Veteran driver Roger Norfolk and fireman Ryan Green guide the famous locomotive through the Midlands, from Bridgnorth to Kidderminster.
Director/Producer Roger Keech (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Lost Home Movies of Nazi Germany
RT *1/2.* For the last 70 years, thousands of home movies have gathered dust in German attics. Now they are providing a glimpse into life as lived by ordinary Germans under the Third Reich, whether at home or from the front lines of the Second World War. German soldiers, it seems, were extremely enthusiastic when it came to picking up their cine cameras and filming whatever was in front of them. Concludes tomorrow 9pm. **See p189.**
Exec producers Aaron Young, Thomas Schubauer
Signed repeat 2.35am (S) (HD)

10.00 The Sky at Night
Comets and Asteroids. Using material from *The Sky at Night* archives, Maggie Aderin-Pocock takes us on a journey in pursuit of comets and asteroids, from ancient history to the cutting edge of modern astronomy.
Producer Euan McDonald-Smith
Repeated New Year's Day 2.10am (S) (HD)

11.00 The Bat Man of Mexico
Since he first kept vampire bats as a child, Rodrigo Medellin has dedicated his life to saving them. Now, Mexico's most famous export, tequila, is at stake. His beloved lesser long-nosed bat is crucial to the liquor as it pollinates the plants the drink is made from. David Attenborough narrates this *Natural World* documentary.
Director Tom Mustill; Producer Peter Fison
First shown on BBC2 (S) (AD) (HD)

11.40 Supersonic ★★★★
Documentary from the director of *Spike Island*, charting the birth and rise of Oasis, the Manchester group fronted by brothers Noel and Liam Gallagher, one of the bands that defined Britpop in the 1990s.
Director Mat Whitecross (2016, 15) (S) (W) (HD)

1.35am Britpop at the BBC Archive footage from the 1990s, featuring Blur, Oasis, Suede, Sleeper and Menswear. (R) (S)
2.35–3.35am Lost Home Movies of Nazi Germany Shown 9pm (S) (SL)

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Regional variations

BBC1 SCOTLAND
11.35pm Sportscene: action from the final round of Premiership fixtures before the mid-season break
12.50am Would I Lie to You at Christmas?
1.20 Have I Got a Bit More 2019 News for You **2.05** The Hit List
2.50 Weather for the Week Ahead
2.55–6.00 BBC News

BBC SCOTLAND
As BBC2 until:
7.00pm The Seven
7.15 Sportscene
8.30 The Mart
9.00 Two Doors Down
10.00 The Comedians at the King's
10.30 Still Game
11.00–12 midnight The Edit Annual 2019

STV
1.00am Meet the Parents (S) (HD)
1.50–5.05am Nightscreen (HD)

BBC1 WALES
12 noon David Attenborough's Natural Curiosities: the eccentricities of birth in the animal kingdom
12.30–1.00pm Tudur's TV Flashback: amusing clips from half a century of Welsh TV
11.35 Mavericks: Sport's Lost Heroes: a profile of former boxer David Pearce
12.10am Would I Lie to You at Christmas?
12.40 The Hit List
1.30–6.00 BBC News

BBC2 WALES
6.00pm Scrum V Sunday: highlights and analysis of the latest Pro14 fixtures
7.00 Welsh Sports Review of the Year: Nathan Blake looks back at a memorable year in Welsh sport
7.30–8.00 Mortimer and Whitehouse: Gone Fishing

BBC1 NORTHERN IRELAND
10.30 The Blame Game: highlights from the last series
11.00–12.05am Match of the Day 2

BBC2 NORTHERN IRELAND
11.40 Ward Park 3 Extra: live music from Bangor, featuring Ash, Foy Vance and Two Door Cinema Club
12.40–1.05am BBC News

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RT RT Choice Family Red button (R) Repeat (S) Subtitles (SL) Signing (AD) Audio description (HD) High def FILMS P Premiere (W) Widescreen (BW) Black/white ★★★★★ Outstanding ★★★★ Very good ★★★ Worth watching ★★ Could be worse ★ Poor

SUNDAY Freeview

Channel 5 5



Britain's Favourite Biscuit *7.30pm* Sam and Mark compare cookies

Freeview 5 **Freesat** 105 **Sky** 105 **Virgin** 105
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6.00am Milkshake! See page 195
9.50 Britain's Greatest Bridges Exploring Tower Bridge in London. (S) (HD)
10.05 Friends *Series 9.* Rachel tries to make amends with work rival Gavin. (S) (HD)
10.35 Ross enlists Chandler's help. (S) (HD)
11.10 Seven Brides for Seven Brothers ★★★★★ Musical starring Howard Keel and Jane Powell. When a rancher brings his new wife home, she discovers she has to look after his six unruly brothers.
Director Stanley Donen (1954, U) (S) (W) (HD)
1.20pm The King and I ★★★★ Musical with Deborah Kerr and Yul Brynner. The arrival of teacher Anna Leonowens at the court of Siam in 1862 arouses curiosity. Anna's task is to teach western manners to the royal household, but the king is not used to having his decisions questioned.
Director Walter Lang (1956, U) (S) (W) (HD)
4.05pm Power Rangers ★★★ Action fantasy. The multi-coloured crusaders take on an ancient threat to the human race. **Review page 87.**

Jason/Red Ranger	**Dacre Montgomery**
Rita Repulsa	**Elizabeth Banks**
Zordon	**Bryan Cranston**
Kimberly/Pink Ranger	**Naomi Scott**
Billy/Blue Ranger	**RJ Cyler**
Zack/Black Ranger	**Ludi Lin**
Trini/Yellow Ranger	**Becky G**

Director Dean Israelite (2017, 12) (S) (W) (HD)
6.25 5 News (S) (HD)
6.30 ***New.*** **World's Strongest Man** In Florida, five athletes compete to claim a place in the grand final. Events include the 12-tonne Monster Truck Pull. (S) (HD)
7.30 ***New.*** **Britain's Favourite Biscuit** It's the big "dunk-off", as Channel 5 counts down the nation's most popular sweet and crunchy snacks. (S) (HD)
9.00 ***New.*** **Peter Kay: in His Own Words** This profile charts the comic's rise from the back streets of Bolton to performing record-breaking arena tours, and features clips from all his television shows, behind-the-scenes stories and an interview with the man himself.
Producer/Director Malcolm Donkin
Repeated Friday 10pm (S) (HD)
11.00 What Women Want ★★★★ Romantic comedy. A chauvinist advertising executive suffers a freak accident and discovers that he can hear the thoughts of every woman around him.

Nick Marshall	**Mel Gibson**
Darcy Maguire	**Helen Hunt**
Lola	**Marisa Tomei**
Morgan Farwell	**Mark Feuerstein**
Gigi	**Lauren Holly**

Director Nancy Meyers (2000, 12) (S) (W) (HD)
1.20am ***New.*** Casino (S) (HD) **3.25** The Last Days of Steve McQueen (S) (HD) **4.10** The Funny Thing about Love and Sex (S) (HD) **4.55** House Doctor: two editions (S) (SL) **5.45–6.00am** Access (S) (HD)

+1 **Freeview** 44 **Freesat** 128 **Sky** 205 **Virgin** 155
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ITV2 6



Despicable Me 2 *6.55pm* The Minions are persuaded to turn on their master

F'view 6 **F'sat** 113 **Sky** 118 **Virgin** 115 **HD** **Virgin** 176

6.00am You've Been Framed! Gold (S) (HD) **6.25** Emmerdale (S) (SL) (AD) (HD) **9.20** Coronation Street (S) (SL) (AD) (HD) **12.50pm** Take Me Out 80s Special (S) (HD) **1.55** Celebrity Catchphrase (S) (HD) **2.55 FILM** Nanny McPhee & the Big Bang ★★★★ Period fantasy adventure. **Children's choice, page 189** (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **5.05 FILM** Hotel Transylvania ★★ Animation (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
6.55pm Despicable Me 2 ★★★★ Animated comedy sequel. The Anti-Villain League recruits Gru to lead an investigation and find the person behind the theft of a secret Arctic laboratory.
Featuring the voices of:

Gru	**Steve Carell**
Lucy Wilde	**Kristen Wiig**
Eduardo	**Benjamin Bratt**
Margo	**Miranda Cosgrove**
Dr Nefario	**Russell Brand**

Directors Pierre Coffin and Chris Renaud (2013, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
9.00 Fast & Furious 8 ★★★★ Action adventure. The whole team have dispersed to live quieter lives. But with Dom seemingly seduced into a life of techno terrorism by the mysterious Cipher, it looks like the opportunity to put their feet up will have to wait.

Dom	**Vin Diesel**
Hobbs	**Dwayne Johnson**
Cipher	**Charlize Theron**
Deckard	**Jason Statham**
Letty	**Michelle Rodriguez**

Director F Gary Gray (2017, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
11.40 Family Guy *Series 15.* Behind the scenes at the *Family Guy* studios. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.10am Taylor Swift agrees to go to the homecoming dance with Chris. (S) (AD) (HD) **12.35** American Dad! (S) (AD) (HD) **1.30** Through the Keyhole (S) (AD) (HD) **2.35 FILM** The Break-Up ★★ Comedy drama (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **4.25** BGT: Top Ten Astonishing Acts (S) (HD) **5.15** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **5.40–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITV2+1 **Freeview** 27 **Freesat** 114 **Sky** 218 **Virgin** 116

ITV3 10



Agatha Christie's Marple *3.35pm* The sleuth receives help from DI Slack

F'view 10 **F'sat** 115 **Sky** 119 **Virgin** 117 **HD** **Virgin** 177

6.00am The Royal (S) (AD) (HD) **7.05 FILM** Carry On Henry ★★★ Comedy with Sidney James (S) (AD) (W) **8.50** Heartbeat (S) (AD) **12.05pm FILM** Carry On Abroad ★★ Comedy starring Sidney James (S) (AD) (W) **1.50 FILM** Carry On Up the Khyber ★★★★ Comedy starring Sidney James (S) (AD) (W) **3.35** Agatha Christie's Marple: Murderous talk at a vicarage soirée tempts fate, when universally disliked Colonel Protheroe is found slain. (S) (HD)
5.40pm Agatha Christie's Poirot **Hickory Dickory Dock.** Petty thefts are followed by brutal murders at a student hostel in Hickory Road. Only a small mouse bears witness to the ruthless activities of a murderer prepared to go to any lengths to conceal a deadly past. (S) (HD)

Hercule Poirot	**David Suchet**
Chief Inspector James Japp	**Philip Jackson**
Miss Lemon	**Pauline Moran**
Sally Finch	**Paris Jefferson**
Nigel Chapman	**Jonathan Firth**
Leonard Bateson	**Damian Lewis**
Colin McNabb	**Gilbert Martin**
Valerie Hobhouse	**Elinor Morriston**

8.00 Wasps' Nest. Hastings' new photography hobby provides Poirot with the clue he needs to get to the bottom of a murder. Peter Capaldi guest-stars. (S) (HD)
9.00 Vera ***4/4*** *Series 7.* **The Blanket Mire.** When the body of a missing 18-year-old is found buried on the Northumberland moors, DCI Vera Stanhope has to delve beyond the original enquiry and into the life and secrets of the victim. (S) (AD) (HD)
11.00 Midsomer Murders **A Vintage Murder.** The fizz soon disappears from a sparkling wine launch when it turns out the glasses are laced with slug poison. But who is targeting the Midsomer Vinae Winery? Claire Bloom guests. (S) (AD) (HD)
1.00am Inspector Morse: double bill (S) (HD) **4.40** On the Buses: double bill (BW) (S) **5.35–6.00am** Nightscreen

+1 **F'view** 34 *(9pm–midnight)* **F'sat** 116 **Sky** 219 **Virgin** 174

Drama 20



Annie *12 noon* The orphan is adopted by billionaire Daddy Warbucks

Freeview 20 **Freesat** 158 **Sky** 143 **Virgin** 130

7.10am The Bill (S) **11.00** Rosemary & Thyme: a body is found in Regent's Park (S) **12 noon FILM** Annie ★★★ Musical adapted from the popular stage show, starring Albert Finney and Carol Burnett (W) (HD) **2.40pm** Call the Midwife: three episodes (S) (AD) (HD)
6.40pm Call the Midwife ***7/8*** *Series 6.* Dr Turner helps the Mullucks cope with the stresses of caring for a disabled child as the terrible legacy of thalidomide becomes apparent. Nurse Crane faces an unexpected crisis. (S) (AD) (HD)

Sister Julienne	**Jenny Agutter**
Nurse Phyllis Crane	**Linda Bassett**
Dr Patrick Turner	**Stephen McGann**
Rhoda Mullucks	**Liz White**
Bernie Mullucks	**Chris Reilly**

8.00 Father Brown ***9/15*** *Series 3.* **The Truth in the Wine** A body is discovered in a vineyard and Father Brown is tasked with searching for the murderer among a group of suspects who are all seeking to reinvent themselves. (S) (AD) (HD)
9.00 Death in Paradise ***1/8*** *Series 6.* **Erupting in Murder.** The death of a scientist on the side of a live volcano proves a difficult case to crack for Humphrey and his team after what appears to be a death from natural causes proves to be foul play. (S) (AD) (HD)

DI Humphrey Goodman	**Kris Marshall**
Officer Dwayne Myers	**Danny John-Jules**
DS Florence Cassell	**Joséphine Jobert**
Officer JP Hooper	**Tobi Bakare**
Justine Tremblay	**Murielle Hilaire**

10.15 Silent Witness ***4/5*** *Series 20.* **Covenant.** Father and son Bill and Frankie McAteer are killed in an apparent car accident on their way home from work, except that the younger man's body is riddled with bullets. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.50am The House of Eliott **2.10** Boon **3.35–4.00am** Garden Hopping

Drama +1 **Sky** 243 **Virgin** 226

ITV4 24

F'view 24 **F'sat** 117 **Sky** 120 **Virgin** 118 **HD** **Virgin** 178

6.00am World Cup Rivalries: England v Argentina (S) (HD) **6.20** Fifth Gear (S) (HD) **7.55** Columbo Goes to the Guillotine (S) (HD) **9.55** Columbo and the Murder of a Rock Star (S) (AD) (HD) **11.55** The Chase Celebrity Special (S) (HD) **1.00pm** Fishing Allstars (S) (HD) **1.30** The Big Fish Off (S) (HD) **2.35** Monster Carp (S) (AD) (HD) **3.35 FILM** The War Wagon ★★★ Western starring John Wayne (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **5.45pm FILM The Alamo** ★★★★ John Wayne's epic historical western. (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **9.00 FILM Lethal Weapon 3** ★★★ Action comedy thriller with Mel Gibson, Danny Glover and Joe Pesci. The mavericks chase a former cop involved in gun running. (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **11.25 FILM Rush Hour** ★★★★ Martial arts action comedy starring Jackie Chan and Chris Tucker. Two mismatched cops deal with an international kidnapping. (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **1.30am** Football Genius: fans of Leicester City and Charlton Athletic compete (S) (HD) **2.00** Speed Freaks (S) (HD) **2.55** The Americans (S) (SL) (AD) (HD) **3.50** Bad Move (S) (AD) (HD) **4.10** Nightscreen (HD) **4.20–6.00am** Columbo and the Murder of a Rock Star (S) (AD) (HD)

ITV4 +1 **Freesat** 154 **Sky** 220 **Virgin** 175

ITVBe 26

F'view 26 **F'sat** 118 **Sky** 131 **Virgin** 119 **HD** **Virgin** 179

6.00am Bring It! (HD) **7.50** The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills (S) (HD) **8.45** Be Beautiful (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** LittleBe (HD) **12 noon** Cake Wars (S) (HD) **12.55pm** Celebrity Dinner Date (S) (HD)
6.00pm Gemma Collins: Diva Forever Gemma and Jonathan head out in his convertible to explore Beverly Hills. (S) (HD) **7.00** After Gemma and Jonathan settle their differences, Gemma attends an important meeting. (S) (HD)
8.00 Celebrity Dinner Date Featuring *Towie's* Bobby Norris. (S) (AD) (HD)
9.00 ***New.*** **Botched** Terry Dubrow helps a cancer survivor reconstruct her breasts and abdomen. First shown on E! Entertainment (HD)
10.00 ***New.*** **The Real Housewives of Potomac** Monique wants to celebrate her rainbow pregnancy. (S) (AD) (HD)
11.00 Totally Unbelievable Counting down eye-popping celebrity fashion fails. (S) (HD)
12 midnight Manzo'd with Children (S) (HD) **1.00am** Vanderpump Rules (S) (HD) **3.20** Bachelor in Paradise (HD) **5.30–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITVBe +1 **Freesat** 119 **Sky** 231 **Virgin** 120

Dave 19

F'view 19 **F'sat** 157 **Sky** 111 **Virgin** 127 **HD** **Virgin** 227 **BT** 387

7.10am Modern Wheels or Classic Steals (S) (HD) **8.00** Soapbox Race: in the Netherlands (HD) **9.00** Eddie Eats America (S) (HD) **10.00** American Pickers: Best Of: double bill (S) (HD) **12 noon** Room 101 (S) (HD) **2.00pm** Would I Lie to You? (S) (HD) **4.00** Room 101 (S) (HD)
6.00pm Soapbox Race From London. (HD)
8.00 QI Matt Lucas, Holly Walsh and Susan Calman join Alan Davies and Sandi Toksvig. (HD)
9.00 Would I Lie to You? Mackenzie Crook, Chris Packham, Victoria Coren Mitchell and Rhod Gilbert are on the panel. (S) (HD)
9.40 With Lorraine Kelly, Dara O Briain, Barry Cryer and Sue Perkins. (S) (HD)
10.20 Mock the Week Angela Barnes, Ed Byrne, Ed Gamble, Milton Jones and Nish Kumar join the regulars. (S) (HD)
11.00 Taskmaster ***5/5*** *Series 3.* Dave Gorman, Al Murray, Rob Beckett, Sara Pascoe and Paul Chowdhry discover the series' winner. (S) (HD)
12 midnight QI (HD) **1.00am** Have I Got a Bit More Old News for You (S) (HD) **2.15** Sliced (S) (AD) (HD) **2.45** Would I Lie to You? (S) (HD) **3.20–4.00am** Mock the Week (S) (HD)

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Britain's Best Loved Sitcoms *6.55pm The Royle Family's* Ricky Tomlinson

F'view 18 **F'sat** 124 **Sky** 136 **Virgin** 147 **HD** **Virgin** 195

8.55am Food Unwrapped Diet Special (S) (AD) (HD) **11.05** Come Dine with Me (S) (HD) **1.40pm** Four in a Bed (S) (HD)

4.20pm Come Dine with Me
Dinner parties in the East Midlands. (S) (HD)

6.55 Britain's Best Loved Sitcoms
2/2. The countdown of the shows that have made us chuckle concludes. (S) (HD)

8.00 The Floods That Foiled New Year
Caught on Camera surveys the devastation wrought by the wettest winter in Britain since records began. From 2014. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 *New.* Emergency Helicopter Medics
Ep 8 *Series 3.* In Cambridgeshire, the heli-medics race to treat a cyclist with a time-critical brain injury. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 24 Hours in A&E
A woman is rushed in after being involved in a high-speed car crash. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.05 999: What's Your Emergency?
An injured police officer needs assistance at a pub brawl. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.10am Shocking Emergency Calls (S) (AD) (HD) **1.15** as 9pm **2.15** as 10pm **3.20–3.45am** Father Ted (S) (AD)

More4 +1 **Freeview** 86 **Freesat** 125 **Sky** 236 **Virgin** 196

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F'view 13 **F'sat** 122 **Sky** 135 **Virgin** 106 **HD** **Virgin** 145

6.00am Hollyoaks (AD) **7.25** The Snowman (AD) **7.55** The Snowman and the Snowdog (AD) **8.25 FILM** The Princess Bride ★★★★ Fantasy adventure (W) **10.25** The Goldbergs (AD) **11.50** The Big Bang Theory (AD)

5.15pm FILM Paddington ★★★★ Comedy starring Hugh Bonneville, featuring the voice of Ben Whishaw. **Review page 72** (AD) (W)

7.15pm FILM The Simpsons Movie
★★★★ Feature-length outing for America's most dysfunctional family, with the voices of Dan Castellaneta and Julie Kavner. Homer precipitates an environmental disaster that has dire consequences for Springfield. (AD) (W)

9.00 *New.* Star Trek: Discovery *3/15*
Burnham arrives on the USS *Discovery,* where things are not as they seem. (AD)

10.00 *New.* Eight out of Ten Cats Best Bits
Jimmy Carr and captain Rob Beckett are joined by an array of famous faces, including Aisling Bea and Richard Osman.

11.00 Naked Attraction A transgender woman and a rugby player take part. (AD)

12.05am Gogglebox: double bill (SL) (AD) **2.15** Star Trek: Discovery (AD) **3.10** Eight out of Ten Cats Best Bits **4.05** Speechless (AD) **4.30–6.00am** Hollyoaks (SL) (AD)

E4 +1 **Freeview** 28 **Freesat** 123 **Sky** 235 **Virgin** 146

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F'view 47 **F'sat** 127 **Sky** 137 **Virgin** 143 **HD** **F'view** 110

9.00am Come Dine with Me **11.00** A Place in the Sun **1.00pm** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun **2.00** A Place in the Sun: Home or Away **3.00** Christmas at Chatsworth House (AD) **4.00** A Place in the Sun **5.00** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun **6.00** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **8.00** Gogglesprogs at Christmas (AD) **9.00** Guy Martin's Great Escape (AD) **11.05** Eight out of Ten Cats Does Countdown **12.10am** Jamie and Jimmy's Festive Feast (AD) **1.10** Eight out of Ten Cats Does Countdown **2.10–4.40am** Come Dine with Me

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Ocean's Eleven *4.00pm* Danny, Sam and Jimmy plan a New Year's heist

F'view 54 **F'sat** 132 **Sky** 153 **Virgin** 188 **HD** **Virgin** 187

9.00am The Office US (HD) **9.30** Dogs Make You Laugh Out Loud 2 (HD) **10.00** Now That's Funny! (S) (HD) **11.00** House (HD)

4.00pm FILM Ocean's Eleven ★★★★ Crime caper starring Frank Sinatra (HD)

6.40pm The Hundred-Foot Journey
★★★ Comedy drama starring Helen Mirren, Manish Dayal and Om Puri. The Kadam family open an Indian restaurant in rural France.
Director Lasse Hallström (2014, PG) (HD)

9.00 Elizabeth: the Golden Age
★★★★ Historical drama starring Cate Blanchett, Clive Owen and Geoffrey Rush. Queen Elizabeth I is under pressure to resolve the problem of her imprisoned Catholic cousin Mary.
Director Shekhar Kapur (2007, 12) (HD)

11.15 Dead Calm ★★★★
Psychological thriller starring Sam Neill and Nicole Kidman. A couple embark on a cruise in the Pacific, but their hopes for a peaceful voyage are shattered when they rescue a strange young man.
Director Phillip Noyce (1988, 15) (HD)

1.20am Arrow (HD) **3.10** The Strain (HD) **4.00** Designated Survivor (HD) **4.45** Now That's Funny! (HD) **5.35–6.00am** Cats Make You Laugh Out Loud (HD)

Pick 11

Freeview 11 **Freesat** 144 **Sky** 152 **Virgin** 165

6.00am Border Patrol **9.00** Highway Patrol **11.00** Caught Red Handed: triple bill **1.00pm** Ratburger: adaptation of David Walliams's book, starring Sheridan Smith (AD) **2.30** The Queen and I: comedy starring David Walliams and Samantha Bond (AD) **4.00** Monkey Life **7.00pm *New.*** Monkey Life: double bill **8.00** David Attenborough's Wild City: the veteran broadcaster examines the wildlife of Singapore (AD) **9.00** Murders That Shocked the Nation: double bill. The actions of Austrian family captor and rapist Josef Fritzl, then the crimes of Victorian serial killer Jack the Ripper **11.00** Britain's Most Evil Killers **4.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol (AD)

Pick +1 **Freeview** 92 **Freesat** 145 **Sky** 252

Sony Channel 48

Freeview 48 *(limited)* **Freesat** 142 **Sky** 157 **Virgin** 189

6.00am Touched by an Angel **9.00** Murder, She Wrote **2.00pm FILM** Murder, She Wrote: South by Southwest ★★ **3.45 FILM** Murder, She Wrote: a Story to Die For ★★ **5.30** Murder, She Wrote: the Celtic Riddle **7.15 FILM** Murder, She Wrote: the Last Free Man ★★ **9.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? **1.00am** Starsky & Hutch **3.00** M*A*S*H **3.30** The Waltons **5.10–6.00am** Touched by an Angel

Sony Channel +1 **Freesat** 152 **Sky** 257

Horror Channel 70

Freeview 70 **Freesat** 138 **Sky** 317 **Virgin** 149

8.00am FILM F6: Twister ★★ Disaster thriller **9.50** Highlights **10.00** Star Trek: Voyager **3.00pm FILM** Guardians of the Tomb ★★ Horror action adventure **4.50 FILM** Sinbad and the Eye of the Tiger ★★★ Fantasy adventure **7.00pm FILM** The Mummy ★★★ Horror starring Peter Cushing and Christopher Lee **8.50** Highlights **9.00 FILM** Extraterrestrial ★★ Sci-fi horror starring Brittany Allen **11.00 FILM** Wind Chill ★★★ Horror thriller starring Emily Blunt **12.50am FILM** Deathgasm ★★★ Comedy horror **2.35 FILM** Open House ★★ Horror thriller **4.20–4.30am** Highlights

5 USA 21

Freeview 21 **Freesat** 129 **Sky** 141 **Virgin** 153

9.00am Access **9.10** Criminals: Caught on Camera (S) **9.35** CSI: NY **11.20** Murder, She Wrote (S) (AD) **1.20pm** Columbo: Swan Song: guest-starring Johnny Cash (S) **3.30** Columbo: Troubled Waters (S) **5.40** Columbo: a Case of Immunity (S) (AD) **7.05pm** NCIS: triple bill (S) (AD) **10.40** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit: double bill. *Series 18.* The CEO of a record label and his protégé are questioned **11.40** *Series 16.* The assistant of a female videogame developer is attacked (S) **12.35am** CSI: Miami: double bill (S) (AD) **2.30** Person of Interest (S) **3.25** Criminals: Caught on Camera (S) **3.55–4.00am** Access

5 USA +1 **F'view** 57 (not 2-4am) **F'sat** 130 **Sky** 241 **Virgin** 185

5 Star 30

Freeview 30 **Freesat** 131 **Sky** 128 **Virgin** 151

8.00am Access (S) (HD) **8.05** Will & Grace (S) (HD) **9.40** World's Strongest Man 2018 (S) (HD) **12.10pm** Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away (S) (HD) **1.10 FILM** Alvin and the Chipmunks: the Squeakquel ★★★ Part-animated comedy adventure (HD) **3.00 FILM** Big Momma's House ★★★ Comedy (S) (HD) **4.55 FILM** Cats & Dogs ★★ Part-animated fantasy comedy starring Jeff Goldblum (S) **6.45 FILM** The Proposal ★★★ Romantic comedy starring Sandra Bullock and Ryan Reynolds (S) (HD) **9.00 FILM** The Intern ★★★ Comedy starring Robert De Niro and Anne Hathaway (S) (HD) **11.30 FILM** Vacation ★★ Comedy adventure starring Christina Applegate and Ed Helms (S) (HD) **1.35am** Most Shocking Christmas TV Moments (S) (HD) **3.40** Two and a Half Men (HD) **3.50–4.00am** Access

5 Star +1 **Freeview** 56 **Sky** 228 **Virgin** 186

5 Spike 31

Freeview 31 **Freesat** 141 **Sky** 150 **Virgin** 154

9.00am The A-Team (AD) (HD) **11.00** Police Interceptors (HD) **1.05pm FILM** The Nevadan ★★ Western (HD) **2.50 FILM** Copper Canyon ★★★ Western (HD) **4.30 FILM** Clash of the Titans ★★★ Fantasy adventure (HD) **6.50 FILM** Jason and the Argonauts ★★★★ Fantasy adventure with Todd Armstrong (HD) **9.00 FILM** Eraser ★★ Action thriller with Arnold Schwarzenegger (HD) **11.15 FILM** Hummingbird ★★ Thriller starring Jason Statham (HD) **1.20am** Fights, Camera, Action! (HD) **2.25** Criminals: Caught on Camera (HD) **2.55–3.00am** Access (HD)

5 Spike +1 **Sky** 250

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Freeview 55 **Freesat** 133 **Sky** 159 **Virgin** 152

9.00am Access **9.10** Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords **10.10** Inside World War II **11.00** World War II in Colour: eight episodes. The story of the global conflict **12 noon** The German blitzkrieg **1.00pm** How Britain remained defiant **2.00** Germany's plans to invade the Soviet Union **3.00** Japan's attack on Pearl Harbor **4.00** The battles for control of Malta **5.00** The strategic firebombing of German cities **6.00pm** Hitler's disastrous invasion of the Soviet Union **7.00** WW2: the Nazis Invade **9.00** Klondike **12.10am** When Game Shows Go Horribly Wrong **3.15** Criminals: Caught on Camera **3.50–4.00am** Access

CBS Justice 39

Freeview 39 **Freesat** 137 **Sky** 148 **Virgin** 192

8.30am Tomorrow's World **9.00** Diagnosis Murder **2.00pm** NCIS **7.00** JAG: double bill. Terrorists take over a hospital where an Israeli minister is undergoing heart surgery, then a Russian captain tries to settle an old score **9.00** NCIS: five back-to-back episodes **2.00am** Ultimate Force **3.10** Bonanza **4.05** The High Chaparral **4.55–6.00am** Mission: Impossible

CBS Drama 71

Freeview 71 **Freesat** 134 **Sky** 147 **Virgin** 197

7.30am The Key of David **8.00** Home Shopping **9.00** The Love Boat **2.00pm** Unsolved Mysteries: three editions **5.00 FILM** The Christmas Gift ★★ Drama starring John Denver **7.00 FILM** The Homecoming ★★★ Family drama starring Patricia Neal and Richard Thomas **9.00 FILM** A Diva's Christmas Carol ★★★ Musical fantasy starring Vanessa L Williams **11.00** JAG: five episodes **4.00–6.00am** Judge Judy

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Yesterday 25

Freeview 25 **Freesat** 159 **Sky** 155 **Virgin** 129

6.00am War above the Trenches (S) (AD) (HD) **7.10** History's Ultimate Spies (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** The World at War (S) (HD) **10.00** Churchill's Secret Son (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** David Attenborough's Natural Curiosities (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00pm** Guitar Heroes at the BBC: four editions. With Carlos Santana, Mark Knopfler and John Martyn **8.00** Performances by Jimi Hendrix, Pete Townshend and Fleetwood Mac **9.00** Featuring Status Quo, the Who, Dire Straits and Lynyrd Skynyrd **10.00** With the Rolling Stones, David Bowie, Motörhead, AC/DC, Michael Chapman and Eric Clapton (S) **11.00–3.00am** Train Truckers (S) (HD)

Yesterday +1 **Sky** 255 **Virgin** 200

Really 17

Freeview 17 **Freesat** 160 **Sky** 142 **Virgin** 128

6.00am Homes under the Hammer (HD) **7.00** Shopping **8.00** The Sheriffs Are Coming (HD) **7.00pm** Antiques Road Trip: double bill. Will Axon and Mark Stacey search for collectables in Deal, Kent, then start another journey in Crystal Palace, south London (HD) **9.00** Helicopter ER: the team prepares to amputate after a driver is trapped by the leg in his wrecked Jaguar (HD) **10.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad: a suspected stolen car leads to a chase (HD) **11.00** Ghost Adventures (HD) **12 midnight** Unexplained: Caught on Camera (HD) **1.00am** Help! My House Is Haunted (HD) **2.00** Shopping **4.00–6.00am** Antiques Road Trip (HD)

Home 42

Freeview 42 **Freesat** 166 **Sky** 158 **Virgin** 279

7.00am Homes under the Hammer **6.00pm** Homes under the Hammer: six editions. A property in Cornwall, a terraced house in Kent, and an ex-holiday home in Durham **7.00** A property in Liverpool, a mid-terrace in London and a house in Sunderland **8.00** A house in Cumbria, a property in Cardiff and a Devon home **9.00** A terraced house in Telford, a property in London, and a semi-detached home in Paisley **10.00** A house in Torquay, a property in Gainsborough, and an end-of-terrace in Carlisle **11.00** A three-bedroom house in Derby, a property in Kent and a home in Cumbria **12 midnight–4.00am** Homes under the Hammer

Home +1 **Sky** 258 **Virgin** 283

Quest 12

F'view 12 **F'sat** 172 **Sky** 144 **Virgin** 169 **HD** **F'view** 114 **F'sat** 167

6.00am Salvage Hunters: the Restorers (AD) (HD) **8.00** The Repair Shop (HD) **2.00** The Repair Shop at Christmas (HD) **3.00pm** Salvage Hunters: the Restorers (AD) (HD) **6.00** When Dinosaurs Roamed America: how US fossils provided scientists with evidence of previously unknown species (HD) **8.00** Swimming with Monsters with Steve Backshall: the naturalist travels to the Sea of Cortez to study and swim with the voracious Humboldt squid (HD) **9.00 *New.*** EFL: including Birmingham City v Leeds United and Sheffield Wednesday v Cardiff City (HD) **11.00** Are We Alone?: scientists compare the extreme environments of distant worlds with those found in remote areas of Earth **1.00am** Chasing Classic Cars (HD) **2.00** Wheels That Fail (HD) **3.00** Destroyed in Seconds **4.00** Texas Metal (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Overhaulin'

Quest +1 **F'view** 76 (7pm-4am) **F'sat** 168 **Sky** 244 **Virgin** 213

Challenge 46

Freeview 46 **Freesat** 146 **Sky** 151 **Virgin** 164

7.00am Catchphrase (AD) **9.00** Wheel of Fortune **12 noon** Pointless Celebrities **3.00pm** The Chase: double bill of the quiz show hosted by Bradley Walsh **5.00** The Chase Celebrity Special: five back-to-back episodes **10.00** Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? Celebrity Special **4.00am** Bullseye **4.30–6.00am** Winter Wipeout

Challenge +1 **Freesat** 147 **Sky** 251 **Virgin** 230

BBC Parliament 232

Freeview 232 **Freesat** 201 **Sky** 504 **Virgin** 605

6.00am Highlights **6.30** BOOKtalk **6.45** Prime Properties **6.55** Reflections **7.25** Highlights **8.25** Booktalk **8.40** Lectures **9.10** Welsh FMQs **10.10** BOOKtalk **10.25** Reflections **10.55** Highlights **11.55** BOOKtalk **12.10pm** Lectures **12.40** Highlights **1.40** BOOKtalk **1.55** Reflections **2.25** Highlights **2.55** Mayor's QT **3.55** BOOKtalk **4.10** Prime Properties **4.20** Lectures **4.50** Highlights **5.50** BOOKtalk **6.05pm** Reflections **6.35** Highlights **7.35** BOOKtalk **7.50** Lectures **8.20** European Parliament **9.20** Prime Properties **9.30** Awards **9.55** Reflections **10.25** BOOKtalk **10.40** Scottish FMQs **11.25** Bercow **11.55** Lectures **12.25–6.00am** Highlights

BBC News **Freeview** 231 **Freesat** 212 **Sky** 503 **Virgin** 601 **Sky News** **Freeview** 233 **Freesat** 202 **Sky** 501 **Virgin** 603

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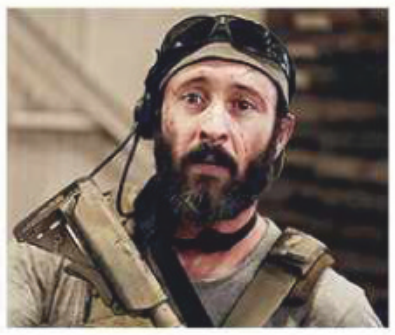

Hawaii Five-0 *9.00pm* A new ally helps McGarrett and co

Sky 1

Sky 106 **Virgin** 110 **HD** **Virgin** 109

6.00am Hour of Power (HD) **7.00** The Simpsons (S) (HD) **9.15** Andre the Giant (S) (HD) **12 noon** Harry Potter: A Who's Who of the Wizarding World (HD) **1.00pm** Cinderella: After Ever After (S) (HD) **2.00** The Simpsons (HD)

6.00pm The Lego Movie ★★★★ Animated comedy adventure featuring the voices of Will Ferrell and Chris Pratt. (W) (HD)

8.00 ***New series.*** **Magnum P.I.** ***Ep 1*** *Series 2.* Return of the crime drama with Jay Hernandez. Thomas waits to hear from Higgins. (HD)

9.00 ***New series.*** **Hawaii Five-0** RT ***Ep 1*** *Series 10.* A new ally helps the team when the island's mob bosses are targeted by an assassin. **See p189.** (HD)

10.00 ***New series.*** **NCIS: Los Angeles** ***Ep 1*** *Series 11.* Return of the crime drama. Kensi and Deeks are trapped when Isis strikes. (HD)

11.00 S.W.A.T. ***1/23*** *Series 2* An earthquake hits LA while the team is engaging in a standoff with human traffickers. (S) (AD) (HD)

12 midnight The Decade the Music Died (HD) **1.30am** Bee Gees: One Night Only: a concert from in 1997 (S) **3.35** Motorway Patrol (S) **4.00–6.00am** Road Wars (S)

Sky 1 +1 **Sky** 206



Blue Bloods *8.00pm* Frank is torn between heart and head

Sky Atlantic

Sky 108

6.00am The Guest Wing (S) (AD) (HD) **6.55** The British (S) (AD) (HD) **7.50** Becoming Warren Buffett (S) (HD) **9.30** Without a Trace (S) (HD) **12.30pm** Micro Monsters with David Attenborough (S) (HD) **3.30** David Attenborough's Natural History Museum Alive (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00** The Making of David Attenborough's Natural History Museum Alive (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm Blue Bloods ***21/22*** *Series 4.* Jamie and Eddie help Nicky track down a former classmate living on the streets. **7.00** ***22/22.*** Danny is placed on desk duty after investigating a case that was off limits. **8.00** ***1/22*** *Series 5.* Frank feels the pressure of personal and political issues. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Game of Thrones ***5/7*** *Series 7.* Daenerys makes an offer to the Lords of Westeros. **10.10** ***6/7.*** Jon Snow and his team go beyond the Wall. Daenerys has to make a tough decision. **11.30** ***7/7.*** Tyrion tries to save Westeros from itself. (S) (AD) (HD)

1.00am Britannia (S) (HD) **2.00** Elvis Presley: the Searcher (S) (AD) (HD) **3.50** Life Itself Special (HD) **4.05–6.00am** The Guest Wing: two editions (S) (AD) (HD)

Sky Atlantic +1 **Sky** 208



Ghost Whisperer *7.00pm* Delia needs Melinda's help

Sky Witness

Sky 107 **Virgin** 112 **HD** **Virgin** 111

6.00am Nothing to Declare (S) (AD) **12 noon** Sun, Sea and A&E (S) **2.00pm** The Real A&E (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Nothing to Declare UK (S) (HD)

6.00pm Nothing to Declare UK The work of customs officers in the south of England. (S) (HD)

7.00 Ghost Whisperer ***3/22*** *Series 2.* Melinda offers to help a couple whose house is haunted by the spirit of a drowned girl. (S) (HD) **8.00** ***4/22.*** Melinda tries to find a connection between ornaments from a flea market and an uncommunicative ghost. (S) (HD)

9.00 The InBetween ***7/10*** Cassie has suspicions about the new bartender at work, while things take a turn for Sally. (HD)

10.00 FBI ***22/22.*** A woman with information about Maggie's husband's death goes missing, leading to a shocking discovery. (HD)

11.00 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit ***20/23*** *Series 13* The search for a missing teen leads to a man preying on the daughters he fathered at a sperm bank. (HD) **12 midnight** ***21/23.*** A hate crime bears similarities to another attack two weeks previously. (HD) **1.00am** Ghost Whisperer (S) (HD) **3.00–6.00am** Nothing to Declare (S)

Sky Witness +1 **Sky** 207 **Virgin** 180



The Boy in the Dress *12 noon* Dennis decides to be himself

W

Sky 109 **Virgin** 125 **BT** 311 **HD** **Virgin** 211 **BT** 383

6.05am Flip or Flop (HD) **6.30** Doctor Who (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Dynamo: Magician Impossible (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** The Boy in the Dress (S) (HD) **1.25pm FILM** Ella Enchanted ★★★ Comedy fantasy with Anne Hathaway (S) (W) (HD) **3.20** Tipping Point: Lucky Stars: three episodes (S) (HD)

6.20pm Tipping Point: Lucky Stars With Jon Culshaw, Jenni Falconer and Jason Gardiner. Presented by Ben Shephard. (S) (HD)

7.20 My Best Friend's Wedding ★★★★ Romantic comedy starring Julia Roberts, Dermot Mulroney and Cameron Diaz. When Julianne Potter learns that her best friend and ex-lover is getting married, she vows to sabotage the wedding. (W) (HD)

9.30 Pulp Fiction ★★★★★ Quentin Tarantino's multi-stranded crime drama, starring John Travolta, Samuel L Jackson, Uma Thurman. In downtown LA, lovebirds Honey Bunny and Pumpkin plan to hold up a diner, and washed-up boxer Butch is paid to throw his last fight. (W) (HD)

12.40am Gavin & Stacey: double bill (S) (AD) (HD) **1.45–3.00am** Louis Theroux: Extreme Love – Autism (S) (AD) (HD)

W +1 **Sky** 209 **Virgin** 190



Murder on the Blackpool Express *9.00pm* Mystery

Gold

Sky 110 **Virgin** 124 **BT** 310

7.30am A Sharp Intake of Breath **8.00** The Story of Only Fools and Horses (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Only Fools and Horses: 13 episodes (S) (AD)

7.00pm Only Fools and Horses Del encounters an old flame, and Rodney experiences the joys of dating – but the brothers soon face awkward questions from the past. **7.40** The Trotters attend Grandad's funeral, and meet a certain long-lost seafaring uncle. **8.20** Uncle Albert falls into the pub cellar, but turns his injury into a profit-making opportunity. (S) (AD)

9.00 Murder on the Blackpool Express Feature-length comedy starring Griff Rhys Jones as a crime writer who takes fans on a coach tour of his books' locations – only to leave a string of bodies in their wake. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.00 Live at the Apollo Al Murray hosts the stand-up show, with performances by Shappi Khorsandi and Russell Kane. (S)

12 midnight Morgana Robinson's The Agency (S) (AD) (HD) **12.40am** Little Britain (S) (AD) **1.20** Morecambe and Wise in America (S) (AD) (HD) **2.15** Morgana Robinson's The Agency (S) (AD) (HD) **2.50–4.00am** David Jason: Planes, Trains and Automobiles (S) (AD) (HD)

Gold +1 **Sky** 210 **Virgin** 194

Sky Arts

Sky 122 **Virgin** 123 **HD** **Virgin** 156

6.00am Andy Williams: Happy Holidays (HD) **7.15** Michael Ball: Both Sides Now (S) (HD) **10.00** Les Miserables: 25th Anniversary (HD) **1.00pm** The Music of Buddy Holly and the Crickets (HD) **3.00** Chuck Berry: Music Icons (S) (HD) **3.30** Cats Special (HD) **4.30** Cats: the Musical: Elaine Paige stars (HD)

6.30pm Callas, Kennedy, Onassis: Two Queens for a King The story of how Maria Callas, Aristotle Onassis and Jacqueline Kennedy became the players in a scandalous love triangle. (HD)

8.00 Robert Mitchum: Hollywood's Bad Boy Profile of the rule-breaking American actor, a star of westerns and film noir whose career survived scandal, outrage and even prison. (S) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **John Wayne: America at All Costs** Exploring all sides of the Oscar-winning actor, while also dissecting 50 years of American history. (HD)

10.00 Discovering: Clint Eastwood A look at the life and career of the actor who rose to fame in Sergio Leone's spaghetti westerns. (S) (HD)

11.00 Roy Orbison: Austin City Limits The singer/songwriter performs on the music programme in 1982. (HD)

12.15am Johnny Cash – behind Prison Walls (HD) **1.15** Elvis: the Final Hours (S) (AD) (HD) **2.15** Sid and Judy (HD) **4.15–6.00am** Andrea Bocelli: Love in Portofino (S) (HD)

Sky Crime

Sky 121 **Virgin** 136 **HD** **Virgin** 135

6.00am Motorway Patrol (S) (AD) **12 noon** UK Border Force (S) (AD) **4.00pm** Road Wars: two editions (S)

6.00pm Road Wars Roma and Ronnie are shocked when a driver in Slough records the highest reading they have ever seen in a breathalyser test. (S)

7.00 Snapped An argument ends in murder, but police are unsure if it was an act of self-defence or something more sinister. (S) **8.00** The investigation into the gory discovery of a woman's body in a roadside ditch, which revealed a complex love triangle and a jealousy-ridden suspect. (S)

9.00 ***New.*** **Murder in the Bayou** ***1/5.*** This five-part documentary series investigates the unsolved murders of eight women in and around Jennings, Louisiana, between 2005 and 2009. (S) **10.05** ***2/5.*** Four more victims are discovered in Jennings over the next year, and yet police seem unable to produce a suspect. (S)

11.15 World's Most Evil Killers The case of Wolfgang Schmidt, a transgender German serial killer, who murdered five women and an infant almost 30 years ago (S)

12.10am The World's Most Evil Killers (S) **1.10** The Killing of Jessica Chambers **2.05** Killer Neighbours **3.00** In Ice Cold Blood **4.00** A Lie to Die for **5.00–6.00am** Snapped (S)

Sky Crime +1 **Sky** 221 **Virgin** 207

Sky 2

Sky 168 **Virgin** 160

7.00am The Dog Whisperer **1.00pm** Marvel's Inhumans: the full series. A coup strands the royal family in Hawaii **2.00** A mistake lands Black Bolt in prison **3.00** Black Bolt and his family hit major problems **4.00** Medusa and Louise desperately hunt for Black Bolt **5.00** Maximus makes a game-changing move **6.00** Gorgon and Karnak take on Auran and her army **7.00** The members of the royal family make it home to Attilan **8.00** Black Bolt attempts to stop Maximus (S) (AD) **9.00** Madam Secretary **10.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit **11.00** The InBetween **12 midnight** FBI **1.00am** Duck Quacks Don't Echo (S) (AD) **5.00–6.00am** RSPCA Animal Rescue (S)

Universal TV

Sky 113 **Virgin** 122 **BT** 320 **HD** **Virgin** 121 **BT** 385

8.00am Major Crimes (S) (HD) **12 noon** Law & Order (S) (HD) **1.00pm** NCIS: five episodes (S) (HD) **6.00** NCIS: triple bill. A murder investigation proves complicated for McGee **7.00** Jenny Shepard tries to solve the murder of an underworld source **8.00** Gibbs investigates the murder of a man found dead in a taxi (S) (HD) **9.00** CSI: Miami: four episodes. A woman is pushed under a bus **10.00** A student is murdered **11.00** An 18-year-old is killed at a nightclub **12 midnight** A baseball player is charged with killing his wife (S) (HD) **1.00–5.00am** Law & Order (S) (HD)

Universal TV +1 **Sky** 213 **Virgin** 206

Syfy

Sky 114 **Virgin** 138 **BT** 319 **HD** **Virgin** 137 **BT** 375

6.00am Marvel's Runaways **8.00** Home Shopping **11.00 FILM** Sinbad: Legend of the Seven Seas ★★★ **12.50pm FILM** 13 Going on 30 ★★★ **3.00 FILM** The Cat in the Hat ★★ Comedy **4.50 FILM** Flash Gordon ★★★ Sci-fi adventure **7.00pm FILM** Addams Family Values ★★★★ Comedy Sequel starring Anjelica Huston **9.00 FILM** Sleepy Hollow ★★★★ Horror starring Johnny Depp **11.10 FILM** Memoirs of an Invisible Man ★★★ Comedy spy thriller **1.10am FILM** Witchslayer Gretl ★★ Fantasy adventure **3.00** Fact or Faked: Paranormal Files **4.00–6.00am FILM** San Andreas: Mega Eruption ★★

Syfy +1 **Sky** 214 **Virgin** 229

TLC

Sky 133 **Virgin** 167 **BT** 323 **HD** **BT** 377

6.00am Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **8.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress: the Big Day (HD) **12 noon** Curvy Brides Boutique (HD) **7.00pm** 90 Day Fiancé: Pillow Talk (HD) **9.00** Katie Price: My Crazy Life: an exposé of the model and businesswoman's life (HD) **10.00** Love after Lock Up (HD) **11.00** 90 Day Fiancé: Pillow Talk (HD) **12 midnight** Katie Price: My Crazy Life (HD) **1.00am** Love after Lock Up (HD) **2.00** 90 Day Fiancé: Pillow Talk (HD) **3.00** Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **4.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **5.00–6.00am** as 10am

TLC +1 **Sky** 233 **Virgin** 172

Comedy Central

Sky 112 **Virgin** 132 **BT** 307 **HD** **Virgin** 181 **BT** 370

8.00am Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **6.30pm FILM** The Goonies ★★★ Adventure based on a story by Steven Spielberg, starring Sean Astin, Corey Feldman and Martha Plimpton (HD) **9.00** Michael McIntyre: Hello Wembley!: a stand-up performance by the comedian at Wembley Arena, where he entertained a sellout crowd in 2009 (S) (HD) **10.00** Lee Evans Live at Wembley: a performance by the energetic comedian in front of a 10,000-strong crowd at Wembley Arena (S) **12.30am** South Park (S) (HD) **4.15** Most Ridiculous – Holidays (S) (HD) **4.35–5.00am** Most Ridiculous – Kids (S) (HD)

Comedy Central +1 **Sky** 212 **Virgin** 133

Lifetime

Sky 187 **Virgin** 208 **BT** 329 **HD** **BT** 384

7.00am Judge Judy (HD) **12 noon** Judge Judy: 16 editions. Real-life small-claims cases on issues affecting family life, presided over by outspoken former New York judge Judy Sheindlin (HD) **8.00pm** Cheerleader Generation: Donna must decide whether or not to make the routines easier when her high-schoolers cannot hit their stunts **9.00** Sex for Sale: Elizabeth Vargas delves into the sex trade and meets entrepreneurs who share all on how to make money selling sex on the internet (HD) **11.00** My Crazy Sex (HD) **1.00am** Little Women: Couples Retreat (HD) **3.00–4.00am** Judge Judy (HD)

ALL PROGRAMMES ON THE ABOVE CHANNELS ARE REPEATS UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

Key (S) Subtitles (SL) Signing (AD) Audio description (HD) High definition (W) Widescreen



Death in Paradise *5.00pm*
Philip Marston is a suspect

Alibi

Sky 132 **Virgin** 126 **BT** 312 **HD** **Virgin** 212 **BT** 382

7.10am Murdoch Mysteries (S) (HD) **9.00** Inspector George Gently (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00pm** Father Brown: three episodes (S) (AD) (HD)

4.20pm Death in Paradise *8/8 Series 5.* A student is found dead in her hostel, and evidence points to suicide. But Humphrey is convinced there's more to the case than meets the eye. **5.00** *1/8 Series 7.* DI Mooney and his team are tested when a hotel billionaire's fiancée falls from a balcony the day before her wedding. **6.20** *2/8.* A finalist is poisoned during the Caribbean Masters poker tournament. **7.40** *3/8.* DI Mooney and the team are stumped when a famous author is stabbed after an early morning swim. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Jonathan Creek Jonathan is stumped by several disappearances in a Gothic mansion, so he teams up with a friend of one of the victims. (S) (AD)

11.35 Traces *5/6.* Crime drama with Molly Windsor, Laura Fraser and Martin Compston. (AD) (HD) **12.35am** *6/6.* Crime drama by Amelia Bullmore, and based on an idea by Val McDermid. (AD) (HD) **1.35–4.00am** New Tricks (S) (AD) (HD)

Alibi +1 **Sky** 232 **Virgin** 191

Discovery History

Sky 171 **Virgin** 257

6.00am Tony Robinson's World War One **10.00** Tony Robinson's Wild West **1.00pm** Frontline Battle Machines with Mike Brewer

6.00pm Frontline Battle Machines with Mike Brewer Mike takes a flight in a Merlin helicopter to the Kajaki Dam in Helmand province, Afghanistan. **7.00** The presenter tests the replacement for the Snatch Land Rover following concerns over its use in Iraq and Afghanistan. **8.00** Including a spine-chilling moment in a Chinook helicopter, firing a 105mm gun, and defusing roadside bombs in Afghanistan.

9.00 Tony Robinson's World War One The presenter gains a revealing and unique perspective on the Great War from a series of 3D photographs. **10.00** Tony explores the stalemate of trench warfare which culminated in the Battle of the Somme. **11.00** With the Battle of the Somme in full swing, Tony uses rare images to reveal some of the unprecedented technologies that made the war even bloodier. **12 midnight** The last year of the conflict, revealing how German forces engaged in one last push – but were thwarted by British tactics and technology.

1.00am Tony Robinson's Wild West **4.00–6.00am** Frontline Battle Machines with Mike Brewer

Discovery History +1 **Sky** 271 **Virgin** 261



The Mentalist *4.00pm* Jane deciphers unusual clues

Fox

Sky 124 **Virgin** 157 **HD** **Virgin** 199

8.00am Bull (HD) **9.00** Bones (HD) **11.00** The Mentalist (HD) **12 noon** Bones (HD) **1.00pm** NCIS: double bill (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** Bones (HD) **4.00** The Mentalist (HD)

5.00pm Bones *22/24 Series 8* Booth is reunited with his mother after 24 years apart. (HD) **6.00** *23/24.* Arastoo contracts a deadly man-made virus. (HD)

7.00 NCIS *11/24 Series 13* Ducky is assaulted by a man who has information about his long-dead half-brother. (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 NCIS: New Orleans *7/24 Series 4.* The officers are called in to investigate after a clinical trial of brain implants is hacked. (HD) **9.00** *8/24.* Wade's son asks Pride for help after discovering that his girlfriend is missing. (HD)

10.00 Family Guy *Series 6.* Peter puts out a fire at a restaurant. **10.30** Peter loses his wallet at a Barry Manilow concert. **11.00** A tribute marking the show's 100th episode. **11.30** *Series 7.* Brian's new girlfriend leaves him.

12 midnight American Dad!: double bill **1.00am** Family Guy **2.30** American Dad! **3.00** Family Guy **4.00–5.00am** Bull (HD)

Fox +1 **Sky** 224 **Virgin** 158

History

Sky 130 **Virgin** 270 **BT** 327 **HD** **BT** 379

6.00am Storage Wars (HD) **8.00** Pawn Stars (HD) **11.00** Ancient Aliens (HD) **12 noon** Mountain Men (HD) **1.00pm** The Curse of Civil War Gold (HD) **3.00** Storage Wars (HD) **6.00pm** American Pickers (HD) **7.00** Shootout: the story of the First Infantry Division (HD) **9.00** Memories of D-Day: exploring the images and recollections of veteran photographers (HD) **10.00** ***New.*** The Lost Corvette: restoration guru Chris Mazzilli bids to rewrite car history by building his vision of a Corvette from 1983 **11.00** Hot Wheels 50th Anniversary Special (HD) **12 midnight** Mountain Men (HD) **1.00am** Pawn Stars (HD) **2.00** Memories of D-Day (HD) **3.00** Storage Wars (HD) **4.00** American Pickers (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Storage Wars (HD)

History +1 **Sky** 230 **Virgin** 271

Animal Planet

Sky 162 **Virgin** 251 **BT** 325 **HD** **BT** 378

6.00am Lair of the Sawfish (S) (HD) **7.00** Cuba's Secret Shark Lair (S) (HD) **8.00** Monster Tag (HD) **9.00** Great White Abyss (S) (HD) **10.00** Tiger Shark Invasion (S) (HD) **11.00** Legend of Deep Blue (HD) **12 noon** Bride of Jaws (S) (HD) **1.00pm** Isle of Jaws: Blood Brothers (HD) **2.00** Air Jaws: the Hunted (HD) **3.00** Cuba's Secret Shark Lair (S) (HD) **4.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (HD) **5.00** My Cat from Hell (S) (HD) **6.00** The Zoo (HD) **7.00** ***New.*** Nature's Strangest Mysteries: Solved (HD) **8.00** ***New.*** Little Giants (HD) **9.00** Amanda to the Rescue (HD) **10.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (HD) **11.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (HD) **3.00am** Crikey! It's the Irwins (S) (HD) **4.40** Orangutan Island (S) (HD) **5.10–6.00am** Dark Waters (S) (HD)

Animal Planet +1 **Sky** 262 **Virgin** 259



Blowing Up History *7.00pm*
New discoveries in Israel

Discovery

Sky 125 **Virgin** 250 **BT** 322 **HD** **BT** 376

6.00am Arabia with Levison Wood (HD) **11.00** Ed Stafford: First Man Out (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00pm** Ed Stafford: Man Woman Child Wild (S) (HD)

6.00pm ***New.*** **How It's Made** The methods and materials used to produce common objects. (S) (HD) **6.30** ***New.*** A look at how everyday items are made. (S) (HD)

7.00 ***New.*** **Blowing Up History** Revealing the secrets behind the Dead Sea Scrolls in Israel. (HD) **8.00** ***New.*** The truth about the world's oldest and most perfectly preserved mummy. (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **Alaska: the Last Frontier** Atz Lee and Jane teach the next generation to fish. Otto and Charlotte give Eve a gift. (HD)

10.00 ***New.*** **Undercover Billionaire** The team rally to flip a house that could save the business. (S) (HD)

11.00 Jaws Strikes Back The hunting behaviour of the largest great white sharks on earth. (S) (HD) **12 midnight** Gold Rush: White Water (HD) **1.00am** Alaska: the Last Frontier (HD) **2.00** Bitchin' Rides (S) (HD) **3.00** Undercover Billionaire (S) (HD) **3.50** Alaska: the Last Frontier (HD) **4.40** Blowing Up History (HD) **5.30–6.00am** How It's Made (S) (HD)

Discovery +1 **Sky** 225 **Virgin** 258

Nat Geographic

Sky 129 **Virgin** 266 **BT** 317 **HD** **Virgin** 268 **BT** 373

8.00am Air Crash Investigation (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00pm** Mayday (S) (HD) **2.00** Air Crash Investigation: four back-to-back editions (S) (AD) (HD) **6.00pm** Air Crash Investigation: six editions. An aircraft that failed to respond when contacted **7.00** A mid-air collision between a brand new business jet and a passenger plane over Brazil **8.00** The crash of British European Airways 548 in 1972, which saw 118 people lose their lives **9.00** A plane shot down over the Sea of Japan, an incident that almost led to war **10.00** A Concorde that exploded in flames near Paris in July 2000 **11.00** The 1988 Habsheim airshow disaster (S) (AD) (HD) **12 midnight** Air Crash Investigation (HD) **1.00am** Mayday (HD) **2.00–5.00am** Air Crash Investigation (HD)

Nat Geo +1 **Sky** 229 **Virgin** 267

Eden

Sky 166 **Virgin** 245 **BT** 315 **HD** **Virgin** 247 **BT** 389

9.00am Horizon: Space Volcanos (HD) **10.00** Wonders of the Universe (AD) (HD) **1.00pm** Nasa's Ten Greatest Achievements (HD) **3.00** Horizon: Space Volcanos (HD) **4.00** Wonders of the Universe: triple bill. Professor Brian Cox explores the development of humankind **5.00** How gravity influences events across the universe **6.00** The importance of light in the evolution of the universe (AD) (HD) **7.00** Nasa's Ten Greatest Achievements (HD) **9.00** Horizon: Space Volcanos (HD) **10.00** Wonders of the Universe (AD) (HD) **1.00am** Nasa's Ten Greatest Achievements (HD) **3.00** Horizon: Space Volcanos (HD) **3.50** Wonders of the Universe (AD) (HD) **5.30–6.00am** Jungle Planet (HD)

Eden +1 **Sky** 266 **Virgin** 246



The First World War *5.30pm*
A look at the naval campaign

PBS America 91

F'view 91 (1-11pm only) **F'sat** 155 **Sky** 174 **Virgin** 273

8.00am The Aviators **8.35** World's Greatest: Animal Encounters **3.15pm** 9/11: the Day That Changed the World

4.20pm The First World War An appraisal of the Western Front. **5.30** The naval and intelligence war, which saw submarines turn the North Sea into a no-go area. **6.35** The wartime employment of spies, blockades and intelligence. **7.40** Germany's bid to end the conflict by launching an offensive on the Western Front in March 1918. **8.50** The final months of the War, when the Allies pulled together.

9.55 9/11: the Day That Changed the World Rescue teams work against the clock, but find their efforts hampered by smoke and locked fire escapes.

11.00–2.00am The Radical Story of Patty Hearst A look at how the American heiress refused to go home, while the Symbionese Liberation Army redefined their hatred for capitalism. **12 midnight** Members of the Symbionese Liberation Army are captured by the FBI after a police shootout in Los Angeles. **1.00am** After her release from prison, the American heiress uses Hearst PR to rebuild her image .

PBS +1 **Freeview** 93 (HD only)

Smithsonian 99

F'view (HD only) 99 **F'sat** 175 **Sky** 195 **Virgin** 276

6.00am Aerial America **7.00** America's Hidden Stories (HD) **8.00** A Star-Spangled Story: Battle for America (HD) **9.00** Apollo's Moon Shot (HD) **1.00pm** Wonders of Burma (HD) **3.00** Inside the Factory **4.00** Ultimate Warships (HD) **6.00pm** Ultimate Warships: double bill. On board the aircraft carrier USS *Truman*, then the USS *Gerald Ford* (HD) **8.00** America in Colour: day-to-day life in small towns across the US in the early 20th century (HD) **9.00** Britain in Colour: rare archive film and home movies bringing Churchill back to life (HD) **10.00** Inside the Factory: making pasta **11.00** America in Colour (HD) **12 midnight** Britain in Colour (HD) **1.00am** Memphis Belle in Colour (HD) **2.00** America in Colour (HD) **3.00** Britain in Colour (HD) **4.00** Memphis Belle in Colour (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Aircrash Alaska (HD)

Sony Crime

Freesat 143 **Sky** 179 **Virgin** 193

6.00am Speeders **7.00** Bait Car: New Orleans **1.00pm** Speeders: 12 editions **6.00** Speeders: six further editions. A grandfather driving at more than 100mph **6.30** A driver tries to sell a van to an officer and a group intending to meet up with former girlfriends are pulled over **7.00** A bodybuilder attempts to arm-wrestle his way out of a speeding ticket **7.30** An officer ends up acting as a driver's therapist **8.00** as 6pm **8.30** as 6.30pm **9.00** Bait Car: New Orleans: revealing how the police catch car thieves in the act by arranging bait vehicles equipped with tracking devices and hidden cameras **11.00** Speeders: double bill **12 midnight** Bait Car **1.00am** Speeders **3.00** Bait Car: New Orleans **4.00** Speeders **5.00–6.00am** Bait Car

CHILDREN'S

Milkshake! on C5

Full listings for Channel 5 are on p192

6.00am Peppa Pig **6.30** Ben and Holly: Nanny tries to get her magic licence renewed **6.40** Bob the Builder: Bob builds a stage for the town's New Year's Eve celebrations **6.50** ***New.*** Fireman Sam: Heroes of the Storm: a hurricane hits Pontypandy **8.00** Peppa Pig **8.20** Butterbean's Cafe: Cricket's first lunch menu is ruined **8.35** Paw Patrol **8.55** Nella the Princess Knight **9.05** Wissper **9.20** Pirata & Capitano **9.30–9.50am** Shimmer and Shine

CBeebies 202

Freeview 202 **Freesat** 608 **Sky** 614 **Virgin** 702

6.00am Show Me Show Me **6.20** Twirlywoos **6.35** Teletubbies: fun and games **6.50** Raa Raa the Noisy Lion **7.00** Postman Pat: SDS **7.15** Bing: double bill **7.30** Hey Duggee: double bill **7.45** Peter Rabbit **8.00** Go Jetters **8.10** Octonauts **8.25** Bitz & Bob **8.35** The Furchester Hotel **8.45** Biggleton **9.00** Something Special: We're All Friends **9.20** Footy Pups **9.35** Octonauts Special: The Amazon Adventure **10.00** Go Jetters **10.10** Woolly & Tig: Hogmanay **10.20** Sarah & Duck **10.30** Swashbuckle **10.55** Andy's Safari Adventures **11.10** Maddie's Do You Know? **11.25** Waffle the Wonder Dog **11.35** Topsy and Tim: double bill **12 noon** My World Kitchen **12.10pm** What's the Big Idea? **12.15** Teacup Travels **12.30** Sarah & Duck **12.40** Down on the Farm **1.00** Where in the World?; Small Potatoes **1.20** My Story **1.30** Ferne and Rory's Vet Tales **1.45** Tinga Tinga Tales **2.00** Something Special: We're All Friends **2.20** Andy's Baby Animals **2.30** Junk Rescue **2.45** Maddie's Do You Know? **3.00** Bitz & Bob **3.10** Tree Fu Tom **3.35** Go Jetters **3.50** Swashbuckle **4.10** The Baby Club **4.25** Magic Hands **4.35** Octonauts Special: Operation Deep Freeze **5.00** GiggleQuiz **5.15** Apple Tree House **5.30** Katie Morag **5.45** Sarah & Duck **5.50** Charlie and Lola **6.05** Tee and Mo **6.10** Clangers: revival of the classic animation **6.20** In the Night Garden... **6.50–7.00pm** CBeebies Bedtime Stories: a tale is read for younger viewers before they go to bed

CBBC 201

Freeview 201 **Freesat** 607 **Sky** 613 **Virgin** 701

7.00am Arthur **7.15** Shaun the Sheep **7.20** Danger Mouse **7.35** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **7.45** Danny & Mick **8.00** Odd Squad **8.10** Diddy TV **8.25** The Dog Ate My Homework **9.00** Blue Peter: All About the Orange Badge **9.30** ***New.*** Hack to the Future 2 **10.30** A Week to Beat the World **10.45** The Real Jamie Johnson **10.55** Nikki Lilly Meets: double bill **11.15** Odd Squad: double bill **11.40** Horrible Histories: It's a Wicked World Special **12.10pm** Naomi's Nightmares of Nature **12.35** All Over the Place: UK **1.05** Operation Ouch! **1.35** Step Up to the Plate **5.15** The Playlist: pop stars introduce viewers most-requested tracks **5.40** ***New.*** A Week to Beat the World **6.10pm** Top Class **6.40** Dragons: Gift of the Night Fury **7.00** Hank Zipzer's Christmas Catastrophe **8.30–9.00pm** 4 o'Clock Club: Flashbacks

CITV 203

Freeview 203 **Freesat** 602 **Sky** 621 **Virgin** 734

6.00am Dino Dana **6.10** Super 4 **6.35** Thunderbirds Are Go **7.00** Mr Magoo **7.25** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **7.55** Robozuna **8.25** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **9.25** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **10.25** Mr Magoo **10.55** ToonMarty **11.25** Pokémon **11.55** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **1.55pm** Hotel Transylvania **2.50** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **3.45** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **4.40** Mr Magoo **5.10** NinjaGo: Decoded **6.20** Robozuna **6.45** LEGO Jurassic World: Secret Exhibit **7.15** The Bagel and Becky Show **7.40** Massive Monster Mayhem **8.05** Drop Dead Weird: the Champ kids are forced to think quickly **8.30** Project Z: the evil zombie-like Zeds have taken over a school in Liverpool **8.55–9.00pm** Dare Master



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Brie before Marvel

Short Term 12 ★★★★ *BBC iPlayer* FREE TO VIEW

This slice-of-life drama reveals the daily challenges facing the residents and staff of a Californian care home for adolescents. Inspired by the experiences of writer/director Destin Daniel Cretton, it suggests that carers with unresolved issues often have compelling personal reasons to work in this sector. Thoughtful and engrossing, the film features strong performances from Brie Larson (*Captain Marvel*) as an embattled staffer, John Gallagher Jr as her boyfriend and Kaitlin Dever as a sarcastic teenager. **TREVOR JOHNSTON**



Female intuition

P What Men Want ★★★ *10.15pm* ***Sky Premiere***

In this gender-reversed remake of the 2000 Mel Gibson comedy *What Women Want*, Taraji P Henson stars as a sports agent who gains the professional and romantic upper hand in her life after acquiring the power to read men's minds. Packed with shouty gags, director Adam Shankman's film goes for broad laughs rather than any kind of profound exploration of gender inequality. It's a formula that shouldn't work, but Henson throws herself into the part and her character is fun to follow. **JAMES LUXFORD**

New to Netflix today

Downsizing ★★★
Netflix



In this inspired comedy, the world's overpopulation crisis has been solved by shrinking human beings, and Matt Damon thinks "going small" will give him and his wife a better lifestyle. Instead, he finds himself navigating a world that turns out to be just as fraught with disillusionment as the one he's just left behind. **DAMON WISE**

FREEVIEW

Film4 14

F'view 14 **F'sat** 300 **Sky** 313 **Virgin** 428 **HD** **Virgin** 429

11.00am A Christmas Carol ★★★ Fairly faithful adaptation of the Dickens yuletide classic. George C Scott, Nigel Davenport (1984, U) (S)
1.05pm Over the Hedge ★★★ Fast-paced animated adventure loaded with clever dialogue. Bruce Willis, Garry Shandling, Steve Carell (2006, U) (S)
2.50 Harry and the Hendersons ★★ Sentimental comedy. John Lithgow (1987, PG) (S)
5.00pm The Day the Earth Stood Still ★★ Spaceman Keanu Reeves arrives with a warning for humanity in this sci-fi drama. Keanu Reeves, Jennifer Connelly (2008, 12) (AD)
7.05 "Crocodile" Dundee ★★★★ Enjoyable fish-out-of-water comedy. Paul Hogan, Linda Kozlowski, John Meillon (1986, 15) (S) (AD)
9.00 Ghostbusters ★★ Gender-reversed reboot of the 1984 comedy classic. Melissa McCarthy, Kristen Wiig (2016, 12) (S) (AD)
11.45pm P How to Talk to Girls at Parties ★★★ Amiable sci-fi comedy. **Review, p87.** Elle Fanning, Alex Sharp, Nicole Kidman (2017, 15) (S)
1.50–4.00am Under the Skin ★★★★ Jonathan Glazer's darkly esoteric sci-fi thriller. Scarlett Johansson, Jeremy McWilliams (2013, 15) (S)
Film4 +1 **F'view** 45 **F'sat** 301 **Sky** 314 **Virgin** 430

Sony Movies 32

Freeview 32 **Freesat** 302 **Sky** 321 **Virgin** 425

9.10am A Monster Christmas **10.20 *batteries not included ★★★** Sci-fi. Hume Cronyn (1987, PG) **12.30pm Sinbad and the Eye of the Tiger ★★★** Adventure. Patrick Wayne (1977, U) **2.45 Lawrence of Arabia** ★★★★★ Epic adventure. Peter O'Toole, Alec Guinness (1962, PG)
6.50pm Arachnophobia ★★★★ Witty but terrifying comedy horror. Jeff Daniels (1990, PG)
9.00 The Game ★★★ Tense psychological thriller. Michael Douglas, Sean Penn (1997, 15)
11.40 Layer Cake ★★★ Stylish British crime thriller. Daniel Craig, Colm Meaney (2004, 15)
1.50am Predestination ★★★ Sci-fi thriller. Ethan Hawke (2014, 15) **3.45–5.50am Rat Race ★★★** Comedy. Whoopi Goldberg, John Cleese (2001, 12)
Sony Movies +1 **F'view** 60 (*limited* 10pm-5am) **Sky** 322

Sony Action 40

F'view 40 *(limited)* **F'sat** 305 **Sky** 323 **Virgin** 426

6.00am Suicide Commando ★★ Adventure. Aldo Ray (1968) **8.00 The Commandos Strike at Dawn ★★** War drama. Paul Muni (1942) **10.05 Candlelight in Algeria ★★** Spy drama. James Mason (1943, U) **11.50 Pacific Inferno ★** Adventure. Jim Brown (1979, 15) **1.40pm** The Dambusters Raid **2.45 Instrument of War ★★★** Wartime drama. Jack Ashton (2017, 12) **4.35 Shady Lady ★★** Drama documentary. Michael Dorn (2012, PG)
6.30pm Triple Cross ★★ Second World War drama. Christopher Plummer, Romy Schneider (1966, PG)
9.00 Hamburger Hill ★★★★ Affecting war drama. Dylan McDermott (1987, 18)
11.20 Diamond Dogs ★★ Action adventure. Dolph Lundgren (2007, 15) **1.10am Hearts of War ★★** Second World War drama. Jonathan Scarfe (2007, 15) **3.00–4.00am** Against All Odds
Sony Action +1 **Sky** 324

Talking Pictures TV 81

Freeview 81 **Freesat** 306 **Sky** 328 **Virgin** 445

6.00am Impulse ★★ Crime thriller. Arthur Kennedy (1955) (S) **7.35 Windbag the Sailor ★★★** Comedy. Will Hay (1936, U) **9.20 The Christmas Tree ★★★** Drama. William Burleigh (1966, U) (S)
10.30 Stolen Assignment ★★★ Crime comedy. John Bentley (1955, U) **11.45 Scrooge** ★★★★★ Drama. Alastair Sim (1951, U) (S) **1.30pm The Three Worlds of Gulliver ★★★** Fantasy adventure. Kerwin Mathews (1959, U) (S)
3.30 Catweazle **4.00 Passport to Pimlico ★★★★** Comedy. Stanley Holloway (1949, U) (S)
6.00pm Get Some In! TV sitcom.
6.50 The Magic Box ★★★★ Biopic of William Friese-Greene. Robert Donat (1951, U) (S)
9.00 Mystery and Imagination TV chiller.
10.50 Jack the Ripper TV Victorian thriller.
12.55am Dakota Lil ★★ Western. George Montgomery (1950, PG) (S) **2.45 Mr Denning Drives North ★★★** Comedy thriller. John Mills (1951, 12)
4.40–6.00am The Delavine Affair ★★ Mystery drama. Peter Reynolds (1954, PG) (S)

Premiere

Sky 301 **Virgin** 401 **BT** 501

7.30am Wonder Park As 3.30pm **9.00 Mary Poppins Returns** As 8pm **11.15 P What Men Want** As 10.15pm **1.15pm The Kid Who Would Be King ★★★** Fantasy. **Choice, p176.** Louis Ashbourne Serkis (2018, PG) **3.30 Wonder Park ★★** Animated fantasy adventure. Brianna Denski (2019, PG)

5.00pm Avengers: Endgame ★★★★ End-of-an-era action epic. **Choice, p166.** Robert Downey Jr, Chris Hemsworth, Mark Ruffalo, Chris Evans (2019, 12)
8.00 Mary Poppins Returns ★★★ Emily Blunt is pitch perfect in this fun sequel. **Choice, p156.** Lin-Manuel Miranda, Ben Whishaw (2018, U)
10.15 P What Men Want ★★★ It's a man's world for Taraji P Henson in this gender-swapping comedy. **Choice, left.** (2019, 15)

12.15am The Kid Who Would Be King As 1.15pm **2.25 Avengers: Endgame** As 5pm **5.30 Mary Poppins Returns** As 8pm

Premiere +1 **Sky** 312 **Virgin** 412

Hits

Sky 303 **Virgin** 403 **BT** 503

7.15am Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs ★★★★ Fantasy. (2009, U) **8.50 How to Train Your Dragon: the Hidden World ★★★★** (2019, PG) **11.10 The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part ★★★★ Choice, p138.** (2019, U) **1.00pm Avengers: Age of Ultron ★★★★** Adventure. (2015, 12)

3.25pm Mary Queen of Scots ★★★ Historical drama. **Choice, p118.** Saoirse Ronan, Margot Robbie (2018, 15)
5.35 Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom ★★★ Well-made dino-adventure. Chris Pratt (2018, 12)
8.00 Avengers: Infinity War ★★★★ Epic-scale action. Robert Downey Jr, Chris Evans (2018, 12)
10.30 Avengers: Endgame ★★★★ End-of-an-era action epic. **Choice, p166.** Robert Downey Jr (2019, 12)

1.40am Rise of the Planet of the Apes ★★★★ Sci-fi. (2011, 12) **3.30 The Girl in the Spider's Web ★★★** Crime thriller. (2018, 15) **5.30 Goosebumps 2: Haunted Halloween ★★** Comedy. (2018, PG)

Action

Sky 307 **Virgin** 407 **BT** 507

7.40am Bumblebee As 6pm **9.45 The Scorpion King ★★★** Action adventure fantasy. The Rock (2002, 12) **11.30 The Mummy** As 8pm **1.45pm The Mummy Returns** As 10.15pm **4.00 The Mummy: Tomb of the Dragon Emperor ★★** Horror adventure. Brendan Fraser, Jet Li (2008, 12)

6.00pm Bumblebee ★★★ This *Transformers* spin-off is full of fun-filled high jinks. Hailee Steinfeld, John Cena, Dylan O'Brien (2018, 12A)
8.00 The Mummy ★★★ Likeable *Indiana Jones*-style adventure in which archaeologists disturb a 3,000-year-old mummy. Brendan Fraser, Rachel Weisz (1999, 12)
10.15 The Mummy Returns ★★★ Slick sequel to *The Mummy*. Brendan Fraser, Rachel Weisz (2001, 12)

12.30am The Mummy: Tomb of the Dragon Emperor As 4pm **2.30 The Scorpion King** As 9.45am **4.15 Fantastic Four ★★** Fantasy action adventure. Ioan Gruffudd, Jessica Alba, Chris Evans (2005, PG)

Star Wars

Sky 302 **Virgin** 402 **BT** 502

6.15am Episode II: Attack of the Clones ★★★ Sci-fi adventure. Ewan McGregor (2002, PG) **8.45 The Clone Wars ★★** Animated adventure. Matt Lanter (2008, PG) **10.30 Episode III: Revenge of the Sith ★★★** Sci-fi adventure. Ewan McGregor (2005, 12)
1.00pm As 8pm **3.15** As 10.10pm

5.30pm Episode VI: Return of the Jedi ★★★★ Luke finally faces up to his destiny. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher (1983, U)
8.00 Episode IV: a New Hope ★★★★★ Farmhand Luke Skywalker meets an ageing Jedi. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher (1977, U)
10.10 Episode V: the Empire Strikes Back ★★★★★ Luke trains to be a Jedi Knight. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford (1980, U)

12.20am Episode VI: Return of the Jedi As 5.30pm **2.40 Episode I: the Phantom Menace ★★★** Sci-fi adventure. Liam Neeson, Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman (1999, U)
5.00 Sky Cinema Preview

Christmas

Sky 304 **Virgin** 410 **BT** 510

6.00am A Wedding for Christmas ★★ Romance. (2018) **7.40 Coming Home for Christmas ★★** Romance. Danica McKellar (2017) **9.20 Miracle on 34th Street ★★★** Fantasy. (1994, U) **11.30 National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation ★★** Comedy. Chevy Chase (1989, PG) **1.20pm** As 9.50pm

3.50pm It's a Wonderful Life ★★★★★ Classic fantasy drama. **Choice, p138.** James Stewart, Donna Reed, Lionel Barrymore, Thomas Mitchell (1946, U)
6.10 The Nutcracker and the Four Realms ★★★ Genteel fantasy based on the ballet. Mackenzie Foy, Keira Knightley (2018, PG)
8.00 Bad Santa ★★★ An alcoholic safe-cracker poses as a shopping-mall Santa. Billy Bob Thornton, Lauren Graham, Bernie Mac (2003, 15)

9.50pm The Holiday ★★ Romantic comedy. Cameron Diaz, Kate Winslet, Jude Law, Jack Black (2006, 12) **12.10am** As 6am **1.50** As 7.40am **3.30** As 6.10pm **5.20** Elf: Buddy's Musical Christmas: animation

Musicals

Sky 308 **Virgin** 404 **BT** 504

6.00am Cats Special **7.00 Annie ★★★** Musical. Albert Finney (1982, U) **9.10 Mamma Mia! ★★★★** Comedy. Meryl Streep (2008, PG) **11.05 Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again ★★★** Comedy. Lily James (2018, PG) **1.00pm** Cats Special **2.00 Mary Poppins** ★★★★★ Fantasy. Julie Andrews, Dick Van Dyke (1964, U)

4.25pm Mary Poppins Returns ★★★ Fantasy. **Choice, p156.** Emily Blunt, Lin-Manuel Miranda, Ben Whishaw (2018, U)
6.40pm A Star Is Born ★★★★ Captivating showbiz romance. Lady Gaga, Bradley Cooper (2018, 15)
9.00 Grease ★★★★ Hugely enjoyable tale of teenage love. John Travolta, Olivia Newton-John (1978, PG)
11.00 Grease 2 ★★ Sequel starring a then little-known Michelle Pfeiffer. Maxwell Caulfield (1982, PG)

1.00am Saturday Night Fever ★★★★★ Gritty dance drama featuring classic songs from the Bee Gees. John Travolta, Karen Lynn Gorney, Barry Miller (1977, 18) **3.10** Cats Special **4.10 Annie** As 7am

Disney

Sky 305 **Virgin** 405 **BT** 505

6.00am As 5pm **7.35 Robin Hood** ★★★★ Adventure. (1973, U) **9.00** As 9.30pm **10.30 One Hundred and One Dalmatians** ★★★★★ Adventure. (1960, U) **12 noon Bedknobs and Broomsticks** ★★★ Fantasy. (1971, U) **2.00pm** As 8pm **3.30 The Aristocats** ★★★★ Adventure. (1970, U)

5.00pm Aladdin ★★★★★ Sparkling *Arabian Nights* fantasy. Scott Weinger, Robin Williams, Linda Larkin (1992, U)

6.35 Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs ★★★★★ Timeless classic. Adriana Caselotti (1937, U)

8.00 The Jungle Book ★★★★★ Rousing adventure with the boy raised by wolves. Phil Harris (1967, U)

9.30 Beauty and the Beast ★★★★★ Delightful fairy tale. Paige O'Hara, Robby Benson, Rex Everhart (1991, U)

11.00pm The Love Bug ★★★★ Comedy. Dean Jones (1969, U) **1.00am** As 12 noon **3.00 The Sword in the Stone** ★★★ Adventure. Rickie Sorensen (1963, U) **4.30 Mulan** ★★★★ Ausical adventure. Ming-Na (1998, U)

Thriller

Sky 309 **Virgin** 409 **BT** 509

6.00am Breaking In ★★★ Gabrielle Union (2018, 15) **7.40 Knuckleball** ★★★ Horror. Michael Ironside (2018, 15) **9.20 Bad Times at the El Royale** As 8pm **11.45 Die Hard** As 10.30pm **2.00pm Cutterhead** ★★★ Christine Sonderris (2018, 15) **3.40 Panic Room** ★★★ Thriller. Jodie Foster (2002, 15)

5.40pm Shutter Island ★★★ Leonardo DiCaprio investigates the disappearance of a patient at an isolated mental asylum. (2009, 15)

8.00 Bad Times at the El Royale ★★★★ Four strangers harbouring secrets check in to a motel with skeletons of its own. Jeff Bridges, Chris Hemsworth, Cynthia Erivo (2018, 15)

10.30 Die Hard ★★★★★ A lone cop takes on a band of ruthless terrorists. Bruce Willis, Alan Rickman (1988, 15)

12.45am The Standoff at Sparrow Creek ★★★ Thriller. James Badge Dale (2018, 15) **2.30 Shutter Island** As 5.40pm **5.00 Angel Flight Down** ★★ Drama based on a true story. Patricia Kalember, David Charvet (1996)

Sci-Fi/Horror

Sky 311 **Virgin** 411 **BT** 511

6.30am Labyrinth ★★★ Fantasy adventure. David Bowie (1986, U) **8.15** As 5.15pm **10.15 Captain Marvel** ★★★ Fantasy adventure. Brie Larson, Samuel L Jackson, Jude Law (2019, 12) **12.30pm** As 9pm **2.45 Close Encounters of the Third Kind** ★★★★★ Sci-fi drama. Richard Dreyfuss (1998, PG)

5.15pm ET the Extra-Terrestrial ★★★★★ A lonely boy befriends an abandoned alien and tries to help him return home. Henry Thomas, Dee Wallace, Drew Barrymore (1982, U)

7.15 Little Monsters ★★★★ Joyously irreverent horror comedy. Lupita Nyong'o, Alexander England, Josh Gad (2019, 15)

9.00 Glass ★★★ M Night Shyamalan's intriguing follow-up to *Unbreakable* and *Split*. Bruce Willis, Samuel L Jackson, James McAvoy (2019, 15)

11.15pm Bram Stoker's Dracula ★★★★ Horror. Gary Oldman, Winona Ryder, Anthony Hopkins (1992, 18) **1.25am Little Monsters** As 7.15pm **3.05 The Thing** ★★★★ Sci-fi horror. Kurt Russell (1982, 18) **5.00 Labyrinth** As 6.30am

Harry Potter

Sky 306 **Virgin** 406 **BT** 506

7.15am Fantastic Beasts: the Crimes of Grindelwald ★★★★ (2018, 12) **9.30 The Philosopher's Stone** ★★★★ (2001, PG) **12.05pm The Chamber of Secrets** ★★★★ (2002, PG) **2.50 The Prisoner of Azkaban** ★★★★ The third outing for the boy wizard. (2004, PG)

5.15pm The Goblet of Fire ★★★★ Harry comes face to face with Voldemort. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson, Brendan Gleeson (2005, 12)

8.00 The Order of the Phoenix ★★★★ Harry must convince the wizarding community of the return of the Dark Lord. (2007, 12)

10.20 The Half-Blood Prince ★★★★ Harry tries to uncover a secret from Voldemort's past. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2009, 12)

12.55am The Deathly Hallows: Part 1 ★★★ Fantasy adventure. Daniel Radcliffe (2010, 12) **3.20 The Deathly Hallows: Part 2** ★★★★★ Fantasy adventure. Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson (2011, 12) **5.30** As 9.30am

Comedy

Sky 310 **Virgin** 408 **BT** 508

6.50am Napoleon Dynamite ★★★ Jon Heder (2004, PG) **8.25** As 10.40pm **10.25 Ghostbusters II** ★★★ Supernatural comedy. (1989, PG) **12.15pm The Smurfs** ★★ Comedy adventure. (2011, U) **2.00 The Smurfs 2** ★★★ (2013, U) **3.45 Holmes and Watson** ★ Adventure. (2018, 12)

5.20pm Crazy Rich Asians ★★★★ Romantic comedy. Constance Wu, Henry Golding, Michelle Yeoh (2018, 12)

7.20 Austin Powers: the Spy Who Shagged Me ★★★★ Spy spoof. Mike Myers, Heather Graham (1999, 12)

9.00 Austin Powers in Goldmember ★★★ Enjoyable spoof. Mike Myers, Michael Caine (2002, 12)

10.40 Ghost Busters ★★★★ Hilariously offbeat supernatural comedy. Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd (1984, PG)

12.30am Ghostbusters II As 10.25am **2.25 Stuck on You** ★★★ Slapstick offering from the Farrelly brothers. Matt Damon, Greg Kinnear (2003, 12) **4.35 Fletch** ★★★ Adventure. Chevy Chase (1985, PG)

TCM Movies

Sky 315 **Virgin** 415 **BT** 512 **HD** **Virgin** 416

6.20am Apache Drums ★★★ Western. Stephen McNally (1951, U) **7.50 The Producers** ★★★★★ Comedy. Zero Mostel (1968, PG) **9.50 Gambit** ★★★ Crime comedy. Shirley MacLaine (1966, U) **12 noon Rio Bravo** ★★★★★ Western. John Wayne (1958, PG) **3.00pm Cherokee Strip** ★★ Western (1940)

5.00pm Sherlock Holmes Faces Death ★★★ Enjoyable mystery. Basil Rathbone, Nigel Bruce (1943, U)

6.30 The Bridge at Remagen ★★★ Explosive war drama. George Segal, Robert Vaughn, Ben Gazzara (1969, PG)

9.00 The Enforcer ★★ Violent crime thriller. Clint Eastwood, Tyne Daly (1976, 18)

11.05 A Perfect Murder ★★ Michael Douglas tries to bump off his young wife, Gwyneth Paltrow. Viggo Mortensen (1998, 15)

1.25am The Belles of St Trinian's ★★★ Comedy. (1954, U) **3.05** Best Film Directors **4.00** Close Up **5.25** Best Film Directors **5.55 Frenchie** ★★ Western. Joel McCrea (1950) **TCM Movies +1** **Sky** 316 **Virgin** 417

SPORT



Test Cricket *6.00am, 11.15pm* ***BT Sport 2*** Australia's prolific opener David Warner

Sky Main Event

Sky 401 **Virgin** 511 **BT** 402 **HD** **Virgin** 501 **BT** 437

6.00am Sky Sports News **7.00** Good Morning Sports Fans **7.30 LIVE Test Cricket** South Africa v England, the fourth day of the first Test from Centurion. **11.30 LIVE Scottish Premiership Football** Celtic v Rangers, the Glasgow rivals battle it out in the final Old Firm derby of 2019 at Celtic Park (kick-off **12.30pm**). **2.30pm LIVE Premier League Football** Arsenal v Chelsea, joining the live action 30 minutes after kick-off, as the London rivals do battle at the Emirates Stadium; **4.00** The day's second live Premier League game, Liverpool v Wolverhampton Wanderers from Anfield (kick-off **4.30**). **7.00 LIVE World Darts** The second session on day 14 of the PDC World Championship, featuring the quarter-finals. **11.00 LIVE NFL** A week 17 game. **12.30am** SPFL: Celtic v Rangers **1.00–6.00am** Sky Sports News

Sky Football

Sky 403 **Virgin** 513 **HD** **Virgin** 503

6.00am SPFL Greatest Games **11.30 LIVE Scottish Premiership Football** Celtic v Rangers (kick-off **12.30pm**), the Glasgow rivals meet at Celtic Park in the final Old Firm derby of 2019. The teams' last SPFL encounter was at Ibrox Park in September, where Celtic came away with a 2–0 win. **3.15pm** MLS Round-Up Show **3.45** One2Eleven (AD) **4.00** League Cup Football **6.00** Scottish Football **6.30** League Cup Football **8.00** SPFL Round-Up **8.30** League Cup Football **10.00** SPFL Round-Up **10.30** League Cup Football **11.00 LIVE NBA** Toronto Raptors v Oklahoma City Thunder (tip-off **11.00**), the inter-conference clash from Scotiabank Arena **12 midnight** UEFA Nations League **1.00am** Years (AD) **1.30** Countdowns (AD) **2.00** SPFL Greatest Games **2.30** One2Eleven (AD) **3.00** Classic Play-Offs **4.00** Greatest Players (AD) **5.00–6.00am** Classic Play-Offs

Sky Golf

Sky 405 **Virgin** 515 **HD** **Virgin** 505

6.00am The Open: Official Films **8.00** The Open: action from day four of this year's Championship at Royal Portrush **7.00pm** The Clara Jug: Shane Lowry **7.30** The Open: Official Films **8.45** The Clara Jug: Shane Lowry **9.15** The Open: Official Films **10.30** The Clara Jug: Shane Lowry **11.00** The Open: Official Films **12 midnight** The Clara Jug: Shane Lowry **12.30–6.00am** The Open: Official Films

Sky Premier League

Sky 402 **Virgin** 512 **HD** **Virgin** 502

6.00am Greatest Games (AD) **7.00** Highlights **10.00** The Sunday Supplement **11.30** Goals on Sunday **1.00pm LIVE Premier League Football** Arsenal v Chelsea, at Emirates Stadium (kick-off **2.00**); **4.00** Liverpool v Wolverhampton Wanderers, at Anfield (k/o **4.30**). **7.30** Soccerbox **10.00** Highlights **11.00** Soccerbox **12 midnight** Highlights **12.30am** Soccerbox **1.00** Highlights **2.00** Soccerbox **2.30** Highlights **5.30–6.00am** 100 Club (AD)

Sky Cricket

Sky 404 **Virgin** 514 **HD** **Virgin** 504

6.00am Test Cricket **6.30** Cricket Debate **7.15** Test Cricket **7.30 LIVE Test Cricket** South Africa v England, day four. **4.00pm** Test Cricket **4.15** Cricket Debate **5.00** Test Cricket **6.00** Cricket Debate **6.45** Test Cricket **8.00** Cricket Debate **8.45** Test Cricket **10.00** Cricket Debate **10.45** Test Cricket **11.00** Test Cricket **12 midnight** Cricket Debate **12.45am** Test Cricket **2.00** Cricket Debate **2.45** Test Cricket **3.45** Cricket Debate **4.30** Atherton's History of Old Trafford **4.35** Greatest Games (AD) **5.35–6.00am** Women's World T20 Classics

Sky Action

Sky 407 **Virgin** 517 **HD** **Virgin** 507

6.00am NBA Classic Games (AD) **8.00** NFL: a Football Life (AD) **9.00** NFL **11.00** Wrestling **2.00** Great Sporting Moments (AD) **2.15** NFL: America's Game (AD) **3.15** NBA **5.00 LIVE NFL** A double-header of crucial games from week 17. **12.30am** Great Sporting Moments (AD) **1.00** NBA Classic Games **3.00** NFL: America's Game **4.00** Greats **4.30** Great Moments (AD) **5.00–6.00am** Sporting Greats (AD)

Sky Darts

Sky 408 **Virgin** 518 **HD** **Virgin** 508

6.00am Darts Gold **7.00** World Darts **11.00** Top Five Moments **12 noon** Darts Gold: vintage action **12.30 LIVE World Darts** The first of the quarter-finals at the PDC World Championship. More 7pm. **4.30** Darts Gold: memorable matches **6.30** Top Five Moments **7.00 LIVE World Darts** The quarter-finals continue at Alexandra Palace in London. **11.00** Darts Gold (AD) **1.00am** World Darts **5.00–6.00am** Darts Gold

Eurosport 1

Sky 410 **Virgin** 521 **BT** 412 **HD** **BT** 435

7.00am Watts **7.05** Ski Jumping **8.05** Alpine Skiing **9.05 LIVE Alpine Skiing** Women's World Cup from Lienz, Austria, featuring the slalom. More 12.05pm; **10.15** The World Cup meeting from Bormio, Italy, featuring the men's super-G in the combined event. **11.30** Alpine Skiing **12.05pm LIVE Alpine Skiing** From Lienz in Austria; **1.15** From Bormio, Italy, featuring the men's slalom in the combined event. **2.30** Cross-Country Skiing **3.15** Ski Jumping **4.15 LIVE Ski Jumping** From Oberstdorf in Germany, featuring the HS137 jump. **6.30** Alpine Skiing **8.30** Ski Jumping **9.30** Cross-Country Skiing **10.30** Ski Jumping **11.30** Alpine Skiing **12.40am** Watts **2.00** Alpine Skiing **3.00** Cross-Country Skiing **4.00** Ski Jumping **5.00–6.00am** Alpine Skiing

BT Sport 1

Sky 413 **Virgin** 527 **BT** 408 **HD** **BT** 430

7.00am BT Sport Goals Reload **7.30 LIVE Australian Football** Sydney FC v Melbourne City, from Jubilee Oval (kick-off **7.30**). **9.30** Premier League Highlights **11.00** Classic Premier League (AD) **12 noon** Football Classics in Europe (AD) **12.30pm** Rugby Union **2.30 LIVE Rugby Union** Exeter Chiefs v Saracens, the Premiership clash from Sandy Park (k/o **3.00**). **5.15** Rugby Union **6.00** Champions League Classics **8.30** BT Sport Goals Reload **9.00** BT Sport Films: The Crazy Gang (AD) **10.30** Rugby Union **1.00am** Home Field Advantage (AD) **4.15** German Football **4.45** BT Sport Goals Reload **5.15–6.00am** BT Sport Reload

BT Sport 2

Sky 414 **Virgin** 528 **BT** 409 **HD** **BT** 431

7.15am What I Wore: James Milner **7.30** BT Sport Reload **8.00 LIVE Twenty20 Cricket** Melbourne Renegades v Adelaide Strikers, the Big Bash League. **11.15** Test Cricket **12.15pm** BT Sport Reload **12.30** Non-League Football **2.00** Fishing (AD) **3.00** Test Cricket **4.00** Twenty20 Cricket **5.00** Football Classics in Europe (AD) **5.30** Slaying the Badger (AD) **7.00** Triathlon **7.30** BT Sport Reload **7.45** Twenty20 Cricket **8.45** Test Cricket **9.45** BT Sport Films **11.15–7.15am LIVE Test Cricket** Australia v New Zealand, the fifth and final day of the second Test in the three-match series at Melbourne Cricket Ground.

BT Sport 3

Sky 417 **Virgin** 529 **BT** 410 **HD** **BT** 432

6.00am German Football **6.30** BT Sport Goals Reload **7.00** Sailing (AD) **8.00** Rugby Union **10.00** Reload **10.15** SPFL Round-Up **10.30** German Football **11.00** BT Sport Goals Reload **12 noon** Triathlon **12.30pm** The Band That Wouldn't Die (AD) **1.30** Sailing (AD) **2.30** German Football **3.00** BT Sport Reload **3.30** Australian Football **5.00** Women's Football **6.00** German Football **6.30** Non-League Football **8.00** Australian Football **9.30** UFC Now (AD) **10.30** UFC Greatest Fights (AD) **11.00** World Rally (AD) **12 midnight** Sailing (AD) **1.00am** German Football **2.00** Triathlon **2.30** Poker **4.30–6.00am** Australian Football

BT Sport ESPN

Sky 423 **Virgin** 530 **BT** 411 **HD** **BT** 434

6.00am Triathlon **6.30** American Football: action from four college bowls **8.00pm LIVE Basketball** Stanford Cardinal v Kansas Jayhawks, the NCAA clash from Maples Pavilion (tip-off **8.00**). **10.00** Triathlon **10.30–6.00am** American Football: US college action

Eurosport 2

Sky 411 **Virgin** 522 **BT** 413 **HD** **BT** 436

6.00am World Superbikes **8.00** Snooker **10.00** Cross-Country Skiing **10.25 LIVE Cross-Country Skiing** Coverage of the World Cup meeting from Lenzerheide in Switzerland, featuring the men's and women's freestyle sprints. **12.15pm** Ski Jumping **1.00** Olympics: Hall of Fame **2.00** Snooker **4.00** Cyclo-Cross **5.00** Motorsport **7.00** World Superbikes **8.00** Le Mans 24 Hours **9.00** Climbing **11.15** Cross-Country Skiing **12.15am** Ski Jumping: Four Hills **1.15** Cross-Country Skiing **1.45** Watts **2.00** Ski Jumping **3.00** Alpine Skiing **5.00–6.00am** Cross-Country Skiing

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Snow Animals *7.00pm* ***BBC1***

NATURE Snoozing your way through the winter months snuggled up in a cosy nest, waking up every couple of days to dip into your stash of nuts before going back to sleep: being a chipmunk doesn't too sound bad, does it? A warmly wrapped-up Liz Bonnin is looking at how animals cope with the toughest time of the year, seeing what clever strategies they've evolved and how they change their survival tactics as the season ends. It's a perfect subject for Christmas viewing with bone-chilling snowy landscapes, icicle-festooned trees and white-coated polar bears, creatures that somehow epitomise winter.

But there are also bobcats, diving headfirst into snow drifts to catch their prey, emperor penguins who've turned huddling together for warmth into an art form and the rare snow leopard who diligently scent-marks his patch in the hope of attracting a mate, no matter how low the temperature. It's a lot more arduous than simply swiping right. **JANE RACKHAM**

Weasels: Feisty and Fearless

6.00pm ***BBC2***

NATURE How did weasels get such a bad name? Maybe we'd appreciate them more if they were called "frolics" or "nippers". Instead, they're a byword for deceit, when in fact, as this film (first shown in October) proves, they're clever, courageous and cute.

Regular weasels are tiny – 15cm long – but much of the programme is given over to the larger stoats, as we watch a stoat mother in Yorkshire guide her lovely kits through to adulthood. We also learn about cousins of the weasel, including honey badgers: the scenes in South Africa testing their intelligence are remarkable – boy, are they smart. **DAVID BUTCHER**

Christmas Sales: Supershoppers Special

8.00pm ***C4***

CONSUMER It's been five whole days since Christmas – now get back out there and resume spending! Sabrina Grant and Helen Skelton present this guide to getting the most out of retailers' big end-of-year sales. We know not every heavy reduction is what it seems to be, but how do you spot the genuine bargains?

Intriguingly, Grant and Skelton promise to offer tips on how to read the secret codes that are sometimes scrawled on price tags by in-the-know staff. Plus, for those of you whose favourite shop hasn't started its sale yet, there's advice on how to predict when it will. **JACK SEALE**

The Trial of Christine Keeler

9.00pm ***BBC1***

DRAMA Stephen Ward (James Norton) warns a restless Christine Keeler: "Don't tell, don't cross that line." Ah, but it's too late – Christine (Sophie Cookson) has sold her soul and her story to the *Daily Mirror*, and she has much to talk about. Such as her relationships with Secretary of State for War John Profumo (Ben Miles) and a suspected Russian spy, liaisons arranged by Ward. The tide starts to turn against Ward, while Christine and friend Mandy Rice-Davies are at the eye of the storm that engulfs them all. **ALISON GRAHAM**

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Snow Cats and Me

9.00pm ***BBC2***

NATURE Bryansk and Dasha were brought up in a Russian apartment, so are more used to sofas and a TV than the great outdoors, which is obviously an unusual situation for a lynx. They're the second pair of cats that Gordon Buchanan is helping to rehabilitate and release into the wilds of Siberia.

What's worrying is that Bryansk has no hunting instinct, likes human company and doesn't understand other animals' aggressive behaviour. "He's a bit of a dozy moggy," sighs Gordon, as Bryansk fails to chase his prey again. Thankfully the family of lynx we met previously is becoming independent, although having young kittens delays their release. **JR**

See feature: page 18



Children's Choices

The Highway Rat

11.35am ***BBC1***

This animated swashbuckler was the big Julia Donaldson/Axel Scheffler dramatisation for Christmas 2017. Here's another chance to see the story of a ravenous rat (voiced by David Tennant) who roams the highway looking for sweet treats, but who is in for a surprise.



Mr Stink

8.25am ***CBBC***

One of the most heartwarming of David Walliams's stories is brought to life by this hour-long comedy drama, co-written by Simon Nye. Lonely 12-year-old Chloe (Nell Tiger Free) invites homeless man Mr Stink (Hugh Bonneville) and his dog Duchess (Pudsey, who sadly died in 2017) to live in her family's shed – not realising that this act of kindness will take her all the way to 10 Downing Street!

Frankie Boyle's 2019 New World Order

10.00pm ***BBC2*** *(N Ireland: 11pm)*

COMEDY If you ever think BBC comedy has become a little too cautious and safe of late, never forget that the BBC always gives house room to the vinegary Scotsman who was once considered too dangerous and edgy for (gulp!) Channel 4.

So if you want to hear more hyperbolic, hyper-sweary takedowns of figures from all sides of the political spectrum then Frankie and comedy friends will be on hand to "make sense of the last 12 months".

It concludes with our host's now traditional summing-up that last year drove me, for one, to the Christmas sherry. **BEN DOWELL**

Searching for Sam: Adrian Dunbar on Samuel Beckett

10.00pm ***BBC4***

DOCUMENTARY "People say Beckett is difficult or bleak, but engaging with it is the most life-affirming thing," said *Line of Duty* actor Adrian Dunbar in a recent interview. He should know: he has directed several of Beckett's plays in his hometown of Enniskillen, where Beckett was at school in the 1920s.

A preview wasn't available but this should be a fascinating doc, no doubt with some fine Fermanagh scenery, as Dunbar charts how Beckett left Ireland for Paris, was influenced there by James Joyce, and invented a new kind of theatre with *Waiting for Godot*. **DB**

The Best of 2010–2015 Wipe with Charlie Brooker

10.45pm ***BBC2*** *(N Ireland and Wales: 11.45pm)*

COMEDY Brooker hasn't provided one of his annual Wipes for the BBC since 2016, the year *Black Mirror* moved to Netflix – giving him global creative clout and a hefty workload. Plus, he and his collaborators these days provide their take on the recent past through the medium of Philomena Cunk (see p111), and there's a comic round-up now provided by Frankie Boyle (see left). The Wipe is still much missed, however, and so Brooker's come up with this compilation show to look back on the decade gone by, stitching together his thoughts on the first half of the 2010s. **JS**



PARTY TIME
Victoria Coren Mitchell hosts this globetrotting special

Only Connect

8.00pm ***BBC2***

QUIZ A party atmosphere descends for this special edition of TV's most esoteric quiz, as we welcome back the Globetrotters and the Eurovisionaries: there's an air of flippancy about some of the questions that stern quiz purists might balk at, and Victoria Coren Mitchell is wearing fancy dress of only tangential relevance to the show's theme.

That theme is travel, which you'll do well to bear in mind in the opening round – one of the teams doesn't, although they do avoid falling for a classic mercurial-schoolmaster trick later on.

These teams are experienced enough, also, to know how to tackle those advanced-level missing vowels rounds where the answer is two things that form a pair: look for the "and" in the middle and work outwards from there. **JS**

DISCOVER TV PICKS

The best of streaming and catch-up



In Treatment

NowTV/Sky Box Sets

A box set of one of the great underrated US dramas. Gabriel Byrne is incredibly good as a therapist who sees four patients per series, representing his Monday–Thursday appointments. On Fridays, he sees a shrink himself. Those conversations are masterclasses in building and developing rich characters through dialogue alone.



John Adams

NowTV/Sky Box Sets

Paul Giamatti bosses this 2008 miniseries about the tribulations of America's second president. By turns talky, nuanced and elegantly funny, it portrays Adams as a relatably grouchy and socially inept man who is nevertheless witnessing and shaping epochal history. **JS**

BEST LIVE SPORT

■ **Test Cricket: South Africa v England, first Test, day five** *7.30am* ***Sky Cricket/Main Event*** The final day from Centurion.

■ **Darts: World Championship, day 15** *7pm* ***Sky Darts/Main Event*** The event reaches the sharp end with the semi-finals.

■ **Championship Football: Derby County v Charlton Athletic** *7.30pm (k/o 7.45pm)* ***Sky Football*** From Pride Park.

FILM OF THE DAY

The Apartment/ Some Like It Hot

1.00pm/3.00pm ***BBC2***

Put your feet up – it's a double bill of Billy Wilder classics.

See page 89

ALLSTAR

MONDAY Main Channels

DAYTIME

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast Dan Walker, Louise Minchin. (S) (HD)

9.00 Planes: Fire and Rescue ★★★ Animated adventure sequel featuring the voices of Dane Cook and Ed Harris. After a gearbox fault halts his racing career, Dusty joins a firefighting unit.
Director Bobs Gannaway (2014, U) (S) (W) (HD)

10.15 Wallace & Gromit in The Curse of the Were-Rabbit ★★★★ Animated comedy. Working as pest controllers, Wallace and Gromit face a huge, mysterious beast. **Review page 89.**
Directors Nick Park and Steve Box (2005, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.35 The Highway Rat Swashbuckling animation about a bandit rodent. Narrated by Rob Brydon. **Children's choice, page 199.** (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

12 noon Life in the Snow Gordon Buchanan meets the animals that live in wintry conditions. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

1.00pm BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

1.25–3.20 Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull ★★★★ Action adventure. Intrepid archaeologist Indiana Jones races against Soviet agents to find a mysterious crystal skull. **Review p89.**
Director Steven Spielberg (2008, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

BBC2

6.05–7.05am Sign Zone Mountain Vets *6/6.* A yorkshire terrier has stopped eating. Shown Fri 27 December (S) (AD) (HD)

7.05 This Farming Life Lynn and Sandra face the danger of a drought on the croft. (R) (S) (HD)

8.05 The Great British Sewing Bee *3/8* *Series 5* The contestants create 1970s-themed attire. **9.05 *4/8.*** Making a lined swimsuit. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

10.05 Roger Moore: Talking Pictures A profile of the actor who played James Bond in seven films. (R) (S)

11.05 Escape to Athena ★★ Second World War adventure. Prisoners of war working on an archaeological dig plan the rescue of ten Greek islanders threatened with death.
Director George Pan Cosmatos (1979, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

1.00pm The Apartment ★★★★★ Oscar-winning comedy drama. Determined to speed his progress up the corporate ladder, insurance clerk CC Baxter loans out his apartment to his bosses for their extramarital "entertaining". **Film of the Day: p89.**
Director Billy Wilder (1960, PG) (BW) (S) (W) (HD)

3.00–5.00 Some Like It Hot ★★★★★ Classic comedy Chicago, 1929: two male musicians witness the St Valentine's Day Massacre and hide out by joining an all-girl orchestra. **Film of the Day: p89.**
Director Billy Wilder (1959, U) (BW) (S) (HD)

ITV

6.00am Good Morning Britain (S) (HD)

8.30 Lorraine Guests, gossip and more. (S) (HD)

9.25 Judge Rinder Legal wrangles. (R) (S) (HD)

10.30 Midsomer Murders The Animal Within. When a man's body is found, several of his friends produce wills, each claiming to inherit his fortune. (R) (S) (AD)

12.30pm ITV News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

12.45 Twister ★★★ Action adventure. A feuding team of tornado-chasing meteorologists sets out to track a devastating trail of destruction.
Director Jan De Bont (1996, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

2.55–4.00 Tenable Quiz show. (R) (S) (HD)

Channel 4

5.50am The Three Musketeers ★★★★ Comedy adventure. King Louis XIII's elite personal guard face the villainous Cardinal Richelieu.
Director Richard Lester (1973, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

7.40 Everybody Loves Raymond Double bill. (R) (S) (AD)

8.40 Step Up: All In ★★ Romantic drama. A dance crew heads to Las Vegas for a big competition.
Director Trish Sie (2014, 12) (S) (W) (HD)

10.50 The Simpsons Triple bill. (R) (S) (AD)

12.20pm Edward Scissorhands ★★★★★ Fantasy. A man-made boy with sharp metal shears instead of hands is taken in by a suburban family. **Review page 89.**
Director Tim Burton (1990, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

2.20–4.25 Congo ★ Adventure. An expedition team take a gorilla, trained to communicate through sign language, to be released into the wild.
Director Frank Marshall (1995, 12) (S) (W) (HD)

BBC1

Snow Animals
7.00pm Fauna like this sika deer in Japan face a tough fight to survive cold winters



3.20pm Shrek 2 ★★★★
Animated fantasy sequel featuring the voice of Mike Myers. Shrek and Princess Fiona are invited to stay with her parents, but King Harold is less than enchanted by his new son-in-law. **Review page 89.**
Directors Andrew Adamson, Kelly Asbury and Conrad Vernon (2004, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

4.45 Top of the Pops New Year
With performances by Mabel, Lewis Capaldi, Dermot Kennedy, Blossoms, and Sigma with Jack Savoretti.
Director Julian Smith; Series producer Stephanie McWhinnie
Repeated New Year's Day 12.40am (S) (HD)

5.45 Pointless
Quiz show hosted by Alexander Armstrong. (R) (S) (HD)

6.30 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

7.00 Snow Animals
RT Liz Bonnin reveals the strategies wildlife use to survive in the colder months. In autumn, Siberian chipmunks collect food in their cheek pouches to stockpile in their burrows, while reindeer make a journey to new feeding areas. With the arrival of winter, the American bobcat has to find its prey beneath deep snow, while an Arctic fox relies on its wits to find a meal, and a sea otter keeps her cub warm by blowing air into its coat. **See page 198.**
Director Simon Baxter; Producer Victoria Bobin (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 EastEnders
Louise struggles to cope with her own conscience.
Writer Simon Ashdown Cast pages 170/240 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.30 Would I Lie to You at Christmas?
A festive edition from 2018, in which Rob Brydon, David Mitchell and Lee Mack are joined by guests Lily Allen, Noddy Holder, Sian Gibson and James Acaster.
Director Barbara Wiltshire; Series producer Adam Copeland (R) (S) (HD)

9.00 The Trial of Christine Keeler
RT ***2/6.*** London, 1963. The shooting has led to court proceedings against Christine's former lover Johnny and brought press attention for her and Mandy. The model has also been recognised by a journalist who is probing dormant rumours of an affair between her and a government minister. **See p198.**
For cast see page 190 (S) (AD) (HD)
See feature: page 56

10.00 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

10.30 Gavin & Stacey
Bryn gets overheated as the Shipmans and the Wests gather for the festivities in Barry. **See choice, p141.**

Gavin	**Mathew Horne**	Pete	**Adrian Scarborough**
Stacey	**Joanna Page**	Sonia	**Laura Aikman**
Smithy	**James Corden**	Emlyn	**Youssef Kerkour**
Nessa	**Ruth Jones**	Darren	**Kyle Lima**
Bryn	**Rob Brydon**	Jason	**Robert Wilfort**
Gwen	**Melanie Walters**	Neil the baby	**Oscar Hartland**
Pam	**Alison Steadman**	Harri	**Gabriel Mittell**
Mick	**Larry Lamb**	Megan	**Maddison Belle Platt**
Dawn	**Julia Davis**	Caitlin	**Martha Tregonning**

Shown Christmas Day 8.30pm (S) (AD) (HD)

11.35 Iron Man 3 ★★★★
Fantasy action adventure. Wealthy industrialist Tony Stark must rely on his wits when an attack on his home leaves him without his super suit. To make matters worse, he has to square up to a vengeful scientist from his past. **Review page 89.**

Tony Stark/Iron Man	**Robert Downey Jr**	Lt Col James "Rhodey" Rhodes	**Don Cheadle**
Aldrich Killian	**Guy Pearce**		
The Mandarin	**Ben Kingsley**	Dr Maya Hansen	**Rebecca Hall**
Pepper Potts	**Gwyneth Paltrow**	Happy Hogan	**Jon Favreau**

Director Shane Black (2013, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.35am Weather for the Week Ahead (S) (HD)
1.40–6.00am BBC News (S) (HD)

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BBC2

Frankie Boyle's New World Order
10.00pm The outspoken comic casts a wry eye over the past year



5.00pm Australia: Earth's Magical Kingdom *2/3.* Exploring why marine species are drawn to the coasts of Australia. More tomorrow 5pm. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
RT TRAVEL Discover Australia on a 21-night tour. Visit radiotimes.com/Australia to find out more

6.00 Weasels: Feisty and Fearless
RT Although the mustelid family of pocket-sized predators are often portrayed as sly villains, this *Natural World* film shows another side to them. In the Yorkshire "Weasel Town" created by the wildlife artist Robert Fuller, more than 50 cameras give an insight into the life of a mother stoat as she tries to raise her first family. **See p198.**
Producer Hannah Ward; Series producer Holly Spearing (R) (S) (HD)

7.00 Mortimer and Whitehouse: Gone Fishing
5/6 *Series 2.* Paul and Bob head for Enniskillen to fish for pike, which eluded them in the first series. They discuss their respective bad habits and Bob gives Paul a thorough health update. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

7.30 Mastermind
The subjects are particle physics, the life and works of Douglas Adams, California and *Carry On* films.
Director Geraldine Dowd; Producers Kate Middleditch, Chris Jones (S) (HD)

8.00 Only Connect
RT A travel-themed edition begins a series of four specials this week, as the Globetrotters take on the Eurovisionaries, three Eurovision Song Contest aficionados. Victoria Coren Mitchell hosts. **See p199.**
Director Siân G Lloyd; Producer Jenny Heap (S) (HD)
Next edition New Year's Day 8pm
RT BOOKS To order *Only Connect: the Difficult Second Quiz Book* for £13.50 incl p&p, call 03302 232639 or visit radiotimes.com/shop52

8.30 Christmas University Challenge
6/10 *Series 9.* It's the penultimate first-round match with a place in the semis at stake. Trinity Hall, Cambridge, with *Peep Show* star Sophie Winkleman and *Guardian* TV reviewer Lucy Mangan, play St Peter's, Oxford, with BBC security correspondent Gordon Corera and journalist Afua Hirsch. (S) (HD)

9.00 Snow Cats and Me
RT ***2/2.*** Gordon Buchanan and Dr Victor Lukarevsky keep an eye on Koshka the lynx's family as they try to prove their ability to hunt before they can be released back into the wild come spring. The pair also help young male Bryansk to find his wild instincts or face a life in captivity. **See page 198.**
Repeated Friday 3 January 7pm (S) (AD) (HD)
See feature: page 18

10.00 Frankie Boyle's New World Order
RT The Scottish comic is joined by guests Sara Pascoe and Miles Jupp for a bewildered look at the events of the past 12 months. **See p199.**
Director Barbara Wiltshire; Series producer Christopher Barbour
Repeated New Year's Day 1am (S) (HD)

10.45 The Best of 2010–2015 Wipe with Charlie Brooker
RT The *Black Mirror* creator collates highlights of his annual *Wipe* programmes from the first five years of the decade. **See p199.**
Executive producers: Charlie Brooker and Annabel Jones (S) (HD)

12.15am Charlie Brooker's 2016 Wipe The acerbic commentator offers a satirical review of the year. (R) (S) (HD)
1.20–4.15am Sign Zone 1.20 The Apprentice *8/14* The candidates host a corporate away day. (R) (S) (HD)
2.20 Countryfile John Craven and the team are at Tyntesfield in Somerset. Shown yesterday 6.30am (S) (HD)
3.15 The Baby Has Landed *4/4.* The families emerge from the first few hectic weeks with their new babies, some of them shell-shocked. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

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ITV



Alan Carr's Celebrity Re-Play *9.00pm* The comic gets his teeth into the big events of the last 12 months

4.00pm Tipping Point: Lucky Stars
Shirley Ballas, Danny O'Carroll and Andy Whyment play for charity. (R) (S) (HD)

5.00 The Chase Celebrity Special
Dani Harmer, Eddie Hall, Chemmy Alcott and Alex Horne take on the Chaser. (R) (S) (HD)

6.00 In for a Penny
Stephen Mulhern heads for Bournemouth.
Series producer Oliver Herington
Executive producers Pete Ogden and Tim Dean (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

6.25 ITV News Weather (S) (HD)

6.40 Regional News Weather (S) (HD)

7.00 Emmerdale
David anxiously awaits some results.
Writer Tony Higgins Cast pp231/241 This week's episodes produced by Kate Brooks and Laura Shaw, directed by Neil Johnston, Clive Arnold and Will Brenton
Repeated tomorrow 7.45am and 11.55am ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

7.30 Coronation Street
Ryan tells Ray that he can stick his job.

Ryan Connor	**Ryan Prescott**	Daniel Osbourne	**Rob Mallard**
Ray Crosby	**Mark Frost**	Claudia Colby	**Rula Lenska**
Jenny Connor	**Sally Ann Matthews**	Ed Bailey	**Trevor Michael Georges**
Johnny Connor	**Richard Hawley**	Aggie Bailey	**Lorna Laidlaw**
Marion Logan	**Kerry Peers**	Michael Bailey	**Ryan Russell**
Gail Rodwell	**Helen Worth**	James Bailey	**Nathan Graham**
Robert Preston	**Tristan Gemmill**	Audrey Roberts	**Sue Nicholls**
Michelle Connor	**Kym Marsh**	Yasmeen Nazir	**Shelley King**
Shona Ramsey	**Julia Goulding**	Liam Connor	**Charlie Wrenshall**
Carla Connor	**Alison King**	Jake Windass	**Bobby Bradshaw**
David Platt	**Jack P Shepherd**	Roy Cropper	**David Neilson**
Bethany Platt	**Lucy Fallon**	DS Thurston	**Alun Raglan**
Lily Platt	**Brooke Malonie**	Paramedic	**Rachel Priest**
Adam Barlow	**Samuel Robertson**	Reporter	**Farrel Hegarty**
Ken Barlow	**William Roache**	Doctor	**Neil Grainger**
Peter Barlow	**Chris Gascoyne**	Consultant	**Kaye Brown**

Writer John Kerr More cast page 123
Repeated tomorrow 8.15am and 12.30pm ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Countrywise: Guide to Britain
In the Yorkshire Dales, shepherd Amanda Owen and her family welcome baby number nine.
Series producer Ruth Binsley (R) (S) (HD)

8.30 Coronation Street
Johnny and Jenny confront Ray in the bistro.
Writer Martin Allen
Repeated tomorrow 8.45am and 12.55pm ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Alan Carr's Celebrity Re-Play
Alan Carr and Angellica Bell are joined by six celebrities to look back at some of the biggest events of 2019, from Stormzy's headline set at Glastonbury to the Rugby World Cup.
Director Ollie Bartlett; Producer Jordan Read
Repeated tomorrow 11pm (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 ITV News at Ten Weather (S) (HD)

10.15 The Holiday ★★
Romantic comedy. After breaking up with her boyfriend, Amanda is in need of a holiday. An online search persuades her to exchange her California home over Christmas for the Surrey cottage of journalist Iris, who has found out her ex is getting married. But the swap soon leads to more romantic entanglements. **Review p89.**

Amanda	**Cameron Diaz**	Arthur Abbott	**Eli Wallach**
Iris	**Kate Winslet**	Ethan	**Edward Burns**
Graham	**Jude Law**	Jasper	**Rufus Sewell**
Miles	**Jack Black**	Peter	**Nicholas Downs**

Director Nancy Meyers (2006, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.35am Home Shopping
3.00 Flying Scotsman with Robson Green The remarkable story of the famous train. (R) (S) (SL) (HD)
3.50 Nightscreen Text information. (HD)
5.05–6.00am Ainsley's Caribbean Kitchen Ainsley Harriott takes a tour of Tobago. (R) (S) (SL) (HD)

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Channel 4



Christmas Sales: Supershoppers Special *8.00pm* Helen Skelton and Sabrina Grant won't be sold short

4.25pm A Place in the Sun
A Southampton couple look for a holiday home in the Puglia region of Italy. (R) (S) (HD)

5.25 The Simpsons
A Fish Called Selma. Washed-up Hollywood star Troy McClure starts dating Selma. (R) (S) (AD)

5.55 Channel 4 News; Sport; Weather (S) (HD)

6.00 Hollyoaks
The villagers celebrate New Year's Eve at the Hutch.
Writer Kevin Rundle Cast pp171/241 Shown last Friday E4 Rptd tomorrow 6.30am E4 Next episode follows on E4 (S) (AD) (HD)

7.00 Great Canal Journeys
Timothy West and Prunella Scales return to the Oxford Canal, the waterway where they first fell in love with boating more than 40 years ago. Aboard their own boat, they travel north from Banbury, heading for the old canal port of Braunston.
Executive producers Daniela Neumann and Mike Taylor
Series director Mike Taylor (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Christmas Sales: Supershoppers Special
RT Sabrina Grant and Helen Skelton investigate the tricks that shops use to get us to spend, and reveal the best sales tips, including how to read the secret codes scrawled on price tags and to tell when a sale is about to happen. They also disclose the shocking tactics used by some major retailers to make shoppers falsely believe they've grabbed a bargain. **See page 198.**
Series producer Dominic Gallagher; Exec producers Mark Harrison and Nicole Kleeman Repeated tomorrow 3.40pm (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Sarah Millican: Control Enthusiast
A stand-up performance by the comedian, including topics such as road rage, IBS, her favourite word and how she lets her husband know "tonight's the night". There are also stories about "Rescue Men", passing wind in hospital pants and what can happen at a bra fitting.
Director/Producer Brian Klein (R) (S) (HD)

10.05 Little Fockers ★★★
Comedy sequel starring Ben Stiller and Robert De Niro. Greg Focker and his wife Pam are now the proud parents of twins, but their respective families are still interfering in their lives.

Jack Byrnes	**Robert De Niro**	Prudence	**Laura Dern**
Greg Focker	**Ben Stiller**	Kevin Rawley	**Owen Wilson**
Bernie Focker	**Dustin Hoffman**	Randy Weir	**Harvey Keitel**
Rozalin Focker	**Barbra Streisand**	Dina Byrnes	**Blythe Danner**
Andi Garcia	**Jessica Alba**	Dr Bob	**Tom McCarthy**
Pamela Byrnes-Focker	**Teri Polo**		

Director Paul Weitz (2010, 12) (S) (W) (HD)

11.55 East Is East ★★★★
Comedy drama. In a suburb of Salford, a traditional Pakistani father attempts to impose arranged marriages on his children. But with this being the early 1970s, they have very different ideas, and rebellion and mayhem ensue.

George Khan	**Om Puri**	Meenah Khan	**Archie Panjabi**
Ella Khan	**Linda Bassett**	Maneer Khan	**Emil Marwa**
Tariq Khan	**Jimi Mistry**	Saleem Khan	**Chris Bisson**
Sajid Khan	**Jordan Routledge**	Abdul Khan	**Raji James**

Director Damien O'Donnell (1999, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.35am Sleepless ★★ Action thriller with Jamie Foxx. Things get complicated for undercover cop Vincent Downs after he steals a shipment of drugs intended for a mobster and his teenage son is kidnapped by the gang. Director Baran bo Odar (2017, 15) (S) (HD)
3.15 Come Dine with Me From Portsmouth. (R) (S) (HD)
5.35 Kirstie's Vintage Gems Kirstie Allsopp creates some quick and easy 1960s-style pop art. (R) (S) (HD)
5.40–6.05am Extreme Cake Makers Bakers Phil and Christine take on a very unusual commission. (R) (S) (HD)

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BBC4



Searching for Sam: Adrian Dunbar on Samuel Beckett *10.00pm* An existential quest

7.00pm Lucy Worsley's Fireworks for a Tudor Queen
The historian, aided by materials scientist Zoe Laughlin, attempts to re-create one of the earliest and most spectacular firework displays in Britain. The festivities were originally laid on by Robert Dudley, a friend of Elizabeth I, in an attempt to win the Virgin Queen's hand in marriage in 1575.
Director/Producer Sid Bennett (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

8.30 A Slow Odyssey: an Eagle's Flight
Cameras follow a white-tailed eagle around the Isle of Mull on Scotland's west coast. She is the biggest bird around, but that does not stop her being challenged by ravens.
Exec producer Doug Mackay-Hope (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Lost Home Movies of Nazi Germany
2/2. Through the home movies and diaries of ordinary Germans, this film charts the crumbling of Hitler's dreams from 1941 to the endgame of the war and the moral reckoning the German people had to face. It reveals the stories of people battling to save their families from deportation to the death camps while others endured the horrors of ever more deadly bombing raids, all set against a backdrop of propaganda and false hope pouring forth from Nazi high command.
Directors Nick Watts and Martin Davidson
Producer Freya Eden-Ellis Rptd 2.55am (S) (HD)

10.00 Searching for Sam: Adrian Dunbar on Samuel Beckett
RT Thirty years after the playwright's death in Paris at the age of 83, *Line of Duty* star Adrian Dunbar explores the life and work of Samuel Beckett to find out about the man behind *Waiting for Godot*. Although born and raised in Dublin, he was a resident of Paris for most of his adult life, writing in both French and English, and was awarded the 1969 Nobel Prize in Literature for his work. **See p198.**
Director Paul McGuigan; Producer Brendan Hughes
Signed repeat Thursday 2 January 2.35am (S) (HD)

11.00 Janet Baker: in Her Own Words
In the first documentary about her for more than 35 years, the celebrated British classical singer looks back on her career and talks about her life today. As well as recalling the excitement and pitfalls of public performance, she explains why she felt the need to retire early 30 years ago.
Director John Bridcut (R) (S) (HD)

12.30am TOTP2 New Year's Eve Special Featuring Blondie, Elton John and Madonna. First shown on BBC2 (S)
1.45 Arena: Make Me Up! A satirical look at the contradictory pressures faced by women today. (R) (S) (HD)
2.55–3.55am Lost Home Movies of Nazi Germany Shown 9pm (S) (SL)

BBC4 Freeview 9 Freesat 107/173 Sky 116 Virgin 107
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Regional variations

BBC1 SCOTLAND
8.30–9.00pm Des Doesn't Do…Dogs: Laura Anderson teaches Des Clarke about our four-legged friends

BBC SCOTLAND
As BBC2 until:
1.00pm Inside Central Station: signed **2.00–3.00** Born to Be Wild: signed **7.00** Rugby Union **8.00** Proms in the Park **9.00** The Nine **10.00** River City **11.00** The Best of Breaking the News **11.30–12 midnight** Behind the Mascara: Jamie Genevieve – Our Lives

STV
12.35am Bang on the Money (R) (S) (SL) (HD)
1.25–5.05 Nightscreen (HD)

BBC1 WALES
8.30–9.00pm Epic: Party like It's 1999

BBC2 WALES
7.00–7.30 Mortimer and Whitehouse: Gone Fishing **10.45** Rugby Union: Pro14 Highlights **11.45–1.20am** The Best of 2010-2015 Wipe with Charlie Brooker

BBC1 NORTHERN IRELAND
8.30–9.00pm The Open at Royal Portrush: a look back at Shane Lowry's win **10.30** Give My Head Peace: comedy **11.00** Mrs Brown's Boys **11.30** Gavin & Stacey Christmas Special **12.35–1.40am** Michael McIntyre's Big Show

BBC2 NORTHERN IRELAND
10.00 Rugby Union: Pro14 highlights: Ulster v Connacht **11.00** Frankie Boyle's 2019 New World Order **11.45–1.20am** The Best of 2010–2015 Wipe with Charlie Brooker

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RT RT Choice Family Red button (R) Repeat (S) Subtitles (SL) Signing (AD) Audio description (HD) High def **FILMS** P Premiere (W) Widescreen (BW) Black/white ★★★★★ Outstanding ★★★★ Very good ★★★ Worth watching ★★ Could be worse ★ Poor

MONDAY Freeview

Channel 5 5



Secret in Their Eyes *10.00pm* Jess, Claire and Ray dig up the past

Freeview 5 **Freesat** 105 **Sky** 105 **Virgin** 105
HD **Freeview** 105 **Freesat** 105 **Virgin** 150

6.00am Milkshake! See page 205

9.15 Access (S) (HD)

9.20 Friends Joey and Phoebe play Cupid. **9.45** Ross discovers who mugged him. **10.20** Monica asks Joey for money. **10.50** A joke backfires on Chandler. (S) (HD)

11.25 The Yorkshire Vet: Winter on the Moors The team battles to treat and save patients, including owls and cattle. (S) (HD)

12.20pm *New.* Neighbours
Repeated 5.30pm (S) (AD) (HD)

12.50 My Fair Lady ★★★★★ Classic musical starring Audrey Hepburn and Rex Harrison. Henry Higgins bets he can coach a cockney flower girl to pass as a lady.
Director George Cukor (1964, U) (S) (W) (HD)

4.35pm Cruising with Jane McDonald The singer boards the *Coastal Express* to experience a Nordic Christmas.
Shown Christmas Eve 9pm (S) (HD)
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5.30 Neighbours
Pierce's party stirs Hendrix's wounds.
Shown 12.20pm (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00 *New.* Rugby Union
Mark Durden-Smith and David Flatman present the best of the action from this week's Premiership fixtures. (S) (HD)

7.00 *New.* World's Strongest Man
As the tournament reaches heat four in Florida, Britain's Laurence Shahlaei aims to finish his career on a high.
Repeated New Year's Day 9.15am 5 Star (S) (HD)
Followed by **5 News Update** (S) (HD)

8.00 *New.* World's Most Scenic Railway Journey: Minute by Minute
Using cutting-edge camera technology, this film takes viewers aboard the "Black 5" locomotive as it travels from the foothills of Ben Nevis down the West Highlands route, to meet the sea at the coastal port of Mallaig, and offers an insight into the day-to-day running of the train.
Director/Producer Jonathan Stow (S) (HD)

10.00 Secret in Their Eyes ★★★
P Crime mystery with Chiwetel Ejiofor. Thirteen years after the crime, the rape and murder of an FBI investigator's daughter still haunts her and her colleagues. But finally a suspect has been found. **Review page 89.**

Ray	**Chiwetel Ejiofor**
Jess	**Julia Roberts**
Claire	**Nicole Kidman**
Bumpy	**Dean Norris**
Siefert	**Michael Kelly**
Marzin/Beckwith	**Joe Cole**
Carolyn	**Zoe Graham**

Director Billy Ray (2015, 15) (S) (W) (HD)

12.15am The Wonderful World of Chocolate Shown Christmas Eve 8pm (S) (HD) **1.10 *New.*** Casino (S) (HD) **3.10** Access (S) (HD) **3.15** The Last Days of Cory Monteith (S) (HD) **4.00** The Last Days of Jimi Hendrix (S) (HD) **4.45–6.00am** House Doctor (S) (SL) (HD)

+1 **Freeview** 44 **Freesat** 128 **Sky** 205 **Virgin** 155

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ITV2 6



Pitch Perfect *9.00pm* Fat Amy and Beca take on the Treblemakers

F'view 6 **F'sat** 113 **Sky** 118 **Virgin** 115 **HD** **Virgin** 176

6.00am The Planet's Funniest Animals (S) **6.20** I'm a Celebrity...Surviving the Jungle (S) (HD) **7.10** The Boxer and The Ballroom Dancer (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** Emmerdale (S) (AD) (HD) **8.30** Coronation Street **See p169** (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Celebrity Catchphrase (S) (HD) **10.00** I'm a Celebrity...Legends of the Jungle (S) (HD) **11.00** Take Me Out Emergency Services Special (S) (HD)

12 noon Emmerdale Shown Fri 27 Dec ITV 7pm (S) (AD) (HD) **12.30pm** Coronation Street **See p169** Shown Fri 27 Dec ITV 7.30pm (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00** Celebrity Catchphrase (S) (HD) **2.00** You've Been Framed! Gold Family Special (S) **3.00** You've Been Framed! Gold (S) **3.30 FILM** Cats & Dogs: the Revenge of Kitty Galore ★★★ (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **5.10 FILM** Despicable Me 2 ★★★★ (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

7.15pm Hotel Transylvania 2 ★★★
Animated horror comedy with the voice of Adam Sandler. The Count can't help but worry that his half-human, half-vampire grandson Dennis isn't proving to be a chip off the old vampire block.
Director Genndy Tartakovsky (2015, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

9.00 Pitch Perfect ★★★
Musical comedy. New girl on campus Beca doesn't care about being popular, but her singing voice makes her the centre of attention when she signs up to become part of an all-female *a cappella* group.

Beca	**Anna Kendrick**
Jesse	**Skylar Astin**
Benji	**Ben Platt**
Chloe	**Brittany Snow**
Fat Amy	**Rebel Wilson**

Director Jason Moore (2012, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.15 Family Guy
Series 15. Brian opens a B&B. (S) (AD) (HD) **11.45** Chris's girlfriend is deported. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.10am American Dad! (S) (AD) (HD) **1.05** Plebs (S) (AD) (HD) **2.05 FILM** The Five-Year Engagement ★★★★ Romantic comedy (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **4.15** BGT: Top Ten Comedy Corkers (S) (HD) **5.05** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **5.30** The Planet's Funniest Animals (S) **5.55–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITV2+1 **Freeview** 27 **Freesat** 114 **Sky** 218 **Virgin** 116

ITV3 10



The Secret Garden *9.55am* Mary finds adventure with Colin and Dickon

F'view 10 **F'sat** 115 **Sky** 119 **Virgin** 117 **HD** **Virgin** 177

6.00am The Royal (S) (AD) (HD) **8.10 FILM** Mutiny on the Buses ★ Comedy starring Reg Varney (S) (AD) (W) **9.55 FILM** The Secret Garden ★★★★ Drama based on Frances Hodgson Burnett's novel, starring Kate Maberly and featuring Maggie Smith (S) (W) (HD)

12 noon FILM Carry On Doctor ★★★ (S) (AD) (W) **1.50pm FILM** Carry On Camping ★★★ Comedy with Sidney James (S) (AD) (W)

3.35pm Agatha Christie's Marple 4.50 from Paddington. The sleuth investigates a friend's claim to have witnessed a murder being committed on a passing train, but everyone is stumped by the lack of a body. (S) (HD)

Miss Marple	**Geraldine McEwan**
Elspeth McGullicuddy	**Pam Ferris**
Emma Crackenthorpe	**Niamh Cusack**
Inspector Tom Campbell	**John Hannah**
Lucy Eyelesbarrow	**Amanda Holden**
Madame Joliet	**Celia Imrie**
Dr David Quimper	**Griff Rhys Jones**
Luther Crackenthorpe	**David Warner**

5.40 Agatha Christie's Poirot Murder on the Links. As the detective looks into the murder of a fraud victim, his investigations are complicated by the discovery of a tramp's mutilated body, and the attentions of a beautiful singer. (S) (HD)

8.00 Vera
1/4 Series 8. **Blood and Bone.** The no-nonsense detective is called to investigate the horrific circumstances surrounding the charred human remains found in an abattoir furnace. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 *2/4.* **Black Ice.** A popular member of a coastal community is violently and deliberately run off the road, and DCI Stanhope must trace back through the victim's past in the hope of finding the killer. But to begin with, a wall of secrecy must be penetrated. (S) (AD) (HD)

12 midnight A Touch of Frost (S) (AD) **1.55am** Inspector Morse (S) (SL) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** Nightscreen

+1 **F'view** 34 *(9pm–midnight)* **F'sat** 116 **Sky** 219 **Virgin** 174

Drama 20



The 39 Steps *5.30pm* Richard Hannay and Victoria Sinclair go for a drive

Freeview 20 **Freesat** 158 **Sky** 143 **Virgin** 130

7.10am The House of Eliott (S) **8.00** Soldier Soldier (S) **9.00** The Bill (S) **10.00** Classic Holby City **11.00** Classic Casualty

12 noon The Bill (S) **1.00pm** Classic EastEnders **2.20** Call the Midwife: double bill. Sister Julienne oversees the opening of a family planning clinic, then Boxing Day sees heavy snowfall (AD) (HD) **5.30** The 39 Steps: adventure starring Rupert Penry-Jones. A man goes on the run after a spy is murdered in his flat (S) (AD) (HD)

7.20pm Last of the Summer Wine
Foggy, Compo and Clegg are put in charge of the annual gala parade. (S)

8.00 Father Brown
10/15 Series 3. **The Judgement of Man**
The priest becomes embroiled in an audacious art heist masterminded by his adversary Flambeau. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Death in Paradise
2/8 Series 6. **The Secret of the Flame Tree**
Florence is shocked when a childhood friend is found dead at the bottom of a cliff. The presence of a note in her bag makes nearly everybody believe it was a tragic suicide, but Humphrey, true to form, retains his doubts. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.20 New Tricks
1/10 Series 11. **Bermondsey Boy.** Gerry returns to Bermondsey to help arrange his daughter's wedding and is asked by an old friend to look into the death of his grandson, whom he thinks was murdered. Meanwhile, Sasha is forced into a working relationship with her ex-husband Ned, who is filling in for Strickland. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.40 Silent Witness
5/5 Series 20. **Awakenings.** When her friend is killed in a car-jacking in Mexico, Nikki travels there for the funeral, only to make a discovery that exposes her to some dangerous forces. (S) (AD) (HD)

2.15–4.00am The House of Eliott: double bill of the Period drama starring Stella Gonet

Drama +1 **Sky** 243 **Virgin** 226

ITV4 24

F'view 24 **F'sat** 117 **Sky** 120 **Virgin** 118 **HD** **Virgin** 178

6.00am World of Sport: TV Firsts (S) (HD) **6.10** The Protectors (S) (SL) **6.40** The Saint (S) **7.30** Columbo: Sex and the Married Detective (S) (HD) **9.25** Minder (S) (AD) **10.30** The Sweeney (S) **11.35** The Professionals (S) (AD)

12.40pm The Saint (S) **1.50** Kojak (S) (HD) **2.50** Quincy (S) (HD) **3.55** Columbo: Strange Bedfellows (S) (AD) (HD) **5.55** The Sweeney (S)

7.00pm The Chase Quiz show. (S) (HD)

8.00 FILM Rocky III ★★ Boxing drama starring Sylvester Stallone. Three years after winning the world championship and having successfully defended his title ten times, Rocky Balboa appears to have everything in life. But then fearsome new challenger Clubber Lang appears on the scene. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

10.00 FILM Rambo III ★★ Action drama starring Sylvester Stallone. A Vietnam veteran takes on the Soviet army when his mentor is taken prisoner. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.10am FILM Under Siege 2 ★★ (S) (W) (HD) **2.15** Speed Freaks (S) (HD) **3.05** The Americans (S) (AD) (HD) **4.15** Nightscreen (HD) **4.25–6.00am** Columbo: Strange Bedfellows (S) (SL) (HD)

ITV4 +1 **Freesat** 154 **Sky** 220 **Virgin** 175

ITVBe 26

F'view 26 **F'sat** 118 **Sky** 131 **Virgin** 119 **HD** **Virgin** 179

6.00am The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills: triple bill (S) (HD) **8.35** Income Property (S) (HD) **9.00** LittleBe (HD)

12 noon Cake Wars (HD) **12.55pm** Sam and Billie: the Mummy Diaries (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm Sam and Billie: the Mummy Diaries Billie and Greg are getting themselves into shape for their summer holiday. (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Sam and Paul are offered their first clothing collaboration. (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Celebrity Dinner Date *The Only Way Is Essex* star Chloe Sims takes part. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Botched Terry Dubrow helps a Texas chef with jarring pain from her breast implants. **10.00** Dr Dubrow tries to help the world's first paraplegic fitness model achieve her dream. **11.00** Former model Dee Stein has her failing saline implants removed. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.55 Don't Be Tardy Kim tries to end six years of conflict between her parents. (S) (HD) **12.25am** Kim and Kroy renew their vows on the anniversary of the day they first met. (S) (HD)

12.50 Vanderpump Rules (S) (HD) **2.20** Bachelor in Paradise (HD) **5.15–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITVBe +1 **Freesat** 119 **Sky** 231 **Virgin** 120

Dave 19

F'view 19 **F'sat** 157 **Sky** 111 **Virgin** 127 **HD** **Virgin** 227 **BT** 387

7.10am Modern Wheels or Classic Steals (S) (HD) **8.00** Soapbox Race (HD) **9.00** Eddie Eats America: double bill (HD) (HD) **10.00** American Pickers: Best Of (S) (HD)

12 noon Soapbox Race: in London (HD) **2.05pm** Gavin & Stacey (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm Soapbox Race Coverage of the international event from Alexandra Palace. (HD) **8.00 Not Going Out** *1/7 Series 9.* Geoffey allows Lee to help clean up his new kitchen. **8.40** *2/7.* Lucy arranges a special surprise. **9.20** *3/7.* A toy keyring leads to a rift between Lee and Lucy and their friends Toby and Anna. **10.00** *4/7.* Lee and Lucy get a pet. (S) (HD) **10.40 Mock the Week** James Acaster, Ed Byrne, Gary Delaney, Ivo Graham and Zoe Lyons join host Dara O Briain. (S) (HD) **11.20 Would I Lie to You?** Richard Madeley, Sanjeev Bhaskar, Kate Humble and Miles Jupp join in the fun on the panel game show. (S) (HD)

12 midnight Have I Got a Bit More Old News for You (S) (HD) **1.00am** QI XL (S) (HD) **2.15** Sliced (S) (AD) (HD) **2.50** Would I Lie to You? (S) (HD) **3.20–4.00am** Mock the Week (S) (HD)

Dave Ja Vu **Freeview** 79 **Sky** 211 **Virgin** 131

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More4 18



The Dressmaker *9.00pm* Teddy embarks on a romance with Tilly

F'view 18 **F'sat** 124 **Sky** 136 **Virgin** 147 **HD** **Virgin** 195

8.55am A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun (S) (HD) **11.00** Escape to the Château (S) (AD) (HD)
12.05pm Come Dine with Me: from Huddersfield (S) (HD) **2.40** Four in a Bed (S) (HD)

5.20pm Come Dine with Me
A night of glitz and glamour, a medieval-themed dinner and Thai specialities feature in the West Midlands. (S) (HD)

8.00 Escape to the Château
Dick, Angel and the family move into their crumbling château with bats, birds and thousands of flies everywhere. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 The Dressmaker ★★★★
Comedy drama starring Kate Winslet and Liam Hemsworth. A glamorous seamstress causes havoc when she returns to her home town in rural 1950s Australia, transforming its women and confronting those who wronged her. **Review page 89.**
Director Jocelyn Moorhouse (2015, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.20 24 Hours in A&E
A man suffers serious spinal injuries after falling off a mountain bike. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.25am Eight out of Ten Cats Does Countdown (S) (HD) **1.30** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA (S) **2.25** 24 Hours in A&E (S) (AD) (HD) **3.30–3.55am** Father Ted (S) (AD)

More4 +1 **Freeview** 86 **Freesat** 125 **Sky** 236 **Virgin** 196

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F'view 13 **F'sat** 122 **Sky** 135 **Virgin** 106 **HD** **Virgin** 145

6.00am Hollyoaks Shown Mon 23 Dec 6pm/Fri 27 Dec 6.30pm C4 (AD) **7.30** Celebrity Christmas Come Dine with Me **8.00** How I Met Your Mother (AD) **9.00** Mike & Molly **10.00** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **11.00** The Goldbergs (AD)
12 noon Brooklyn Nine-Nine (AD) **1.00pm** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **2.00** Mike & Molly **3.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine (AD) **4.00** The Goldbergs (AD) **5.00** Rude(ish) Tube **5.15 FILM** Ice Age: the Meltdown ★★★ (W)
7.00pm *New.* Hollyoaks Peri and Romeo help Tom. Cast pp171/241 Rptd tomorrow 6.30pm C4 (AD)
7.30 Rude(ish) Tube Amusing videos.
7.40 The Great New Year's Bake Off Kate Henry, Dr Tamal Ray, Candice Brown and Steven Carter-Bailey take part. (AD)
9.00 *New.* Made in Chelsea: Happy New Yah The gang prepares for 2020.
10.00 *New.* Made in Chelsea: End of Yah Quiz Matt Edmondson and Mollie King join the cast to look back on 2019.
11.05 Naked Attraction Aina, a music producer from London, looks for a date. (AD)
12.15am Gogglebox (AD) **1.20** Gogglebox 2019 (AD) **3.15** Made in Chelsea: End of Yah Quiz **4.10** Made in Chelsea: Happy New Yah **5.05–6.00am** The Big Bang Theory (AD)

E4 +1 **Freeview** 28 **Freesat** 123 **Sky** 235 **Virgin** 146

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F'view 47 **F'sat** 127 **Sky** 137 **Virgin** 143 **HD** **F'view** 110

9.00am Celebrity Lego Masters (AD) **10.00** Christmas at Chatsworth House (AD) **11.00** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun **12 noon** A Place in the Sun **1.00pm** A Place in the Sun: Summer Sun **2.00** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun **3.00 FILM** Home Alone ★★★★ **Review p77** (AD) (W) **5.00** Secret World of Toys (AD) **6.00** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun **7.00** George Clarke's Amazing Spaces (AD) **8.00** Celebrity Crystal Maze **See choice, p121** (AD) **9.00** Gogglebox 2019 (AD) **11.05** The Great Christmas Bake Off **See choice, p141** (AD) **12.25am** The Secret Life of the Zoo (AD) **1.25** The Supervet (AD) **2.30** Guy Martin's Great Escape (AD) **4.30–5.00am** Everybody Loves Raymond

Paramount Network 54



Jingle Belle *7.15pm* Belle is reunited with her former sweetheart Mike

F'view 54 **F'sat** 132 **Sky** 153 **Virgin** 188 **HD** **Virgin** 187

9.00am The Office US: two episodes (HD) **9.55** Now That's Funny! (S) (HD)
12 noon FILM A Gingerbread Romance ★★ Romance (HD) **1.50pm FILM** A Christmas Arrangement ★★ Romance (HD) **3.40 FILM** It's Time for Me to Come Home for Christmas ★★ Romance starring Megan Park (HD) **5.25 FILM** Hope at Christmas ★★ Romance (HD)

7.15pm Jingle Belle ★★
Romantic musical starring Tatyana Ali. A successful songwriter returns to her home town to compose music for the Christmas pageant and is reunited with her former sweetheart and singing partner.
Director Peter Sullivan (2018) (HD)

9.00 Les Misérables ★★★
Period musical with Hugh Jackman, Russell Crowe, Anne Hathaway and Amanda Seyfried. A criminal tries to make amends for his past by raising a young girl as his own. But the policeman who first put him away is unconvinced by the transformation and sets out to expose him.
Director Tom Hooper (2012, 12) (HD)

12.10am FILM On Golden Pond ★★★★ Drama starring Henry Fonda. **Review p85** (HD) **2.30** The Strain (HD) **3.30** Designated Survivor (HD) **4.20** CSI: Miami (S) **5.00** Neighbours (S) (AD) (HD) **5.30** Access (S) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** The Office US (HD)

Pick 11

Freeview 11 **Freesat** 144 **Sky** 152 **Virgin** 165

7.00am Caught Red Handed **9.00** Border Security: Australia's Front Line **1.00pm** Nothing to Declare **7.00** Agatha Raisin and the Quiche of Death: quirky crime drama starring Ashley Jensen. Bored with her new life in the Cotswolds, former London-based PR whizz Agatha Raisin re-doubles her efforts to ingratiate herself with the local community. However, when entering its annual quiche-making competition, she inadvertently finds herself a suspect in a murder case **9.00** Take That Live: Wonderland: a concert filmed at the O_2 Arena in London, which was part of the band's 2017 tour **11.15** The Force: Essex (AD) **4.00am** Road Wars **5.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol

Pick +1 **Freeview** 92 **Freesat** 145 **Sky** 252

Sony Channel 48

Freeview 48 *(limited)* **Freesat** 142 **Sky** 157 **Virgin** 189

6.00am The Waltons **7.00** Randall and Hopkirk (Deceased) **10.00** The Persuaders! **7.00pm** M*A*S*H: four episodes. Henry is promoted **7.30** Hawkeye turns detective **8.00** Frank contracts hepatitis **8.30** A nurse makes a confession **9.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? **12 midnight** M*A*S*H **2.00am** The Persuaders! **3.00** M*A*S*H **3.30** The Waltons **4.20** Touched by an Angel **5.10–6.00am** Highway to Heaven

Sony Channel +1 **Freesat** 152 **Sky** 257

Horror Channel 70

Freeview 70 **Freesat** 138 **Sky** 317 **Virgin** 149

8.00am seaQuest DSV **9.00** Star Trek: Voyager **10.00** Star Trek **11.00** Peter Benchley's Creature: double bill **2.35pm** Tales from the Darkside **3.00** Sliders **4.00 FILM** The Last Sharknado: It's about Time ★★ Sci-fi horror starring Tara Reid and Ian Ziering **5.50** Highlights **6.00pm** Star Trek **7.00** Star Trek: Voyager **8.00** Mutant X **9.00 FILM** The Ninth Gate ★★★ Supernatural thriller starring Johnny Depp **11.35 FILM** Quarries ★★ Horror thriller starring Nicole Marie Johnson and Carrie Finklea **1.10am FILM** Inanimate ★★ Sci-fi horror **2.45–4.30am FILM** Day of the Dead ★★ Horror

5 USA 21

Freeview 21 **Freesat** 129 **Sky** 141 **Virgin** 153

9.00am Access **9.10** CSI: NY (S) (AD) **10.50** CSI: Miami (S) (AD) **11.50** Murder, She Wrote (S) (AD) **1.55pm** Columbo: Suitable for Framing (S) (AD) **3.30** Columbo: Playback (S) (AD) **5.05** Columbo: Make Me a Perfect Murder (S) **7.05pm** NCIS *Series 14.* Double bill. An operation to apprehend a corporate terrorist goes awry, then Gibbs tries to infiltrate an infamous anti-government militia (S) **9.00** Law & Order: Criminal Intent *Series 6.* Goren and Eames travel to Vietnam (S) (AD) **10.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (S) (AD)
12.50am CSI: Miami (S) **1.45** Longmire (S) **3.00–4.00am** Criminals: Caught on Camera

5 USA +1 **F'view** 57 (not 2-4am) **F'sat** 130 **Sky** 241 **Virgin** 185

5 Star 30

Freeview 30 **Freesat** 131 **Sky** 128 **Virgin** 151

8.00am 3rd Rock from the Sun (S) (HD) **8.45** Neighbours (S) (AD) (HD) **10.10** World's Strongest Man (S) (HD) **2.05pm FILM** Practical Magic ★★ Romantic black comedy starring Sandra Bullock and Nicole Kidman (S) (HD) **4.15 FILM** Jack the Giant Slayer ★★ Fantasy adventure starring Nicholas Hoult (S) (HD) **6.30pm FILM** PS I Love You ★★ Comedy drama starring Hilary Swank, Gerard Butler and Harry Connick Jr (S) (HD) **9.00 FILM** There's Something about Mary ★★★★ Romantic comedy starring Cameron Diaz, Matt Dillon and Ben Stiller (S) (HD) **11.25 FILM** The Duff ★★★ Comedy starring Mae Whitman and Robbie Amell (S) (HD)
1.35am Funniest Ever Talent Show Moments (S) (HD) **3.35** Two and a Half Men: Jake cheats on his girlfriend (HD) **3.55–4.00am** Access (S) (HD)

5 Star +1 **Freeview** 56 **Sky** 228 **Virgin** 186

5 Spike 31

Freeview 31 **Freesat** 141 **Sky** 150 **Virgin** 154

9.00am Criminals: Caught on Camera (HD) **9.25** Knight Rider (AD) (HD) **2.35pm** Extreme Winter Road Rescue (HD) **6.40 FILM** U-571 ★★★ Second World War action thriller starring Matthew McConaughey, Bill Paxton and Harvey Keitel (HD) **9.00 FILM** Chaos ★★ Action crime thriller starring Jason Statham, Ryan Phillippe and Wesley Snipes (HD) **11.10 FILM** Flags of Our Fathers ★★★ Second World War drama from director Clint Eastwood, starring Ryan Phillippe (HD)
1.45am Fights, Camera, Action! (AD) (HD) **2.50–3.00am** Access (HD)

5 Spike +1 **Sky** 250

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Freeview 55 **Freesat** 133 **Sky** 159 **Virgin** 152

9.00am Access **9.10** The World's Most Scenic Railway Journeys **10.00** World's Most Luxurious Hotels **11.00** World's Most Luxurious Trains **12 noon** The World's Most Scenic Railway Journeys **3.00pm** Warship: Life at Sea **5.00** Warship: in the Line of Fire **7.00** WW2: the Battle of Stalingrad: a look at how crucial taking Stalingrad was to Hitler's plans for the Jews **9.00** Klondike: drama set during the 1890s Klondike gold rush, as seen through the eyes of two adventurers intent on striking it rich in the Yukon **12.05–4.00am** 101 Events That Made the 21st Century: four back-to-back editions

CBS Justice 39

Freeview 39 **Freesat** 137 **Sky** 148 **Virgin** 192

9.00am Diagnosis Murder **11.00** Matlock **12 noon** Perry Mason **1.05pm** Walker, Texas Ranger **2.05** CSI: Miami **3.00** NCIS **5.00** Matlock **6.00pm** Perry Mason **7.05** NCIS **8.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **9.00** CSI: NY **10.00** NCIS **12 midnight** CSI: Miami **1.00am** CSI: NY: a corpse in a box turns up on the beach. **2.00** Gunsmoke **3.05** Bonanza **4.50–6.00am** Mission: Impossible

CBS Drama 71

Freeview 71 **Freesat** 134 **Sky** 147 **Virgin** 197

9.00am Medium **10.00** ER **11.00** The Love Boat **12 noon** Judge Judy **1.00pm** Bonanza **3.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **4.00** Unsolved Mysteries **6.00pm** The Love Boat **7.00** JAG **8.00** Judge Judy **9.00** Medium; Allison's powers are revealed to the public **10.00** JAG **11.00** The Love Boat **12 midnight** Judge Judy **1.00am** ER **2.00** Medium **3.00** JAG **4.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **5.00–6.00am** Matlock

Listings for **PBS America**, **Smithsonian** see over. **Film4** and other **Freeview movie** channels: **p206**

Yesterday 25

Freeview 25 **Freesat** 159 **Sky** 155 **Virgin** 129

6.00am WW2 Price of Empire (S) (HD) **8.00** Auschwitz: the Nazis and the Final Solution (S) **11.00** The Blue Planet: eight episodes (S) (AD) **7.00pm** Underground Worlds (S) (HD) **8.00** Abandoned Engineering: projects include a ruined compound on the edge of a peninsula in Colombia (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Bangers and Cash: a Cold War Soviet classic goes under the hammer (S) (HD) **10.00** Train Truckers: the crew visits Germany to collect a multi-million-pound maintenance machine (S) (HD) **11.00** Steam Train Britain (S) (AD) (HD)
12 midnight War Factories (S) (HD) **1.00am** Royals on the Frontline (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00–3.00am** Royals on the Frontline (S) (AD) (HD)

Yesterday +1 **Sky** 255 **Virgin** 200

Really 17

Freeview 17 **Freesat** 160 **Sky** 142 **Virgin** 128

6.00am Homes under the Hammer (HD) **7.00pm** Antiques Road Trip: double bill. Mark Stacey and Will Axon begin their final leg in Gosfield, Essex, then the antiques experts head from St Buryan, Cornwall, to Wareham, Dorset (HD) **9.00** Helicopter ER: a flying doctor is scrambled to a serious crash in Barnsley (HD) **10.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad: officers deal with a fire at a block of flats (HD) **11.00** Ghost Adventures: a dangerous presence in a hotel basement (HD) **12 midnight** Unexplained: Caught on Camera (HD) **1.00am** Help! My House Is Haunted (HD) **2.00** Home Shopping **4.00–6.00am** Antiques Road Trip (HD)

Home 42

Freeview 42 **Freesat** 166 **Sky** 158 **Virgin** 279

7.00am Fixer Upper: seven episodes (HD) **2.00pm** Fantasy Homes by the Sea: four episodes (HD) **6.00pm** Fantasy Homes by the Sea: triple bill. World champion powerboat racer Daisy Coleman wants to return to Pembrokeshire **7.00** A couple who want to swap the Brecon Beacons for the Devon coast **8.00** A London couple who want to move out of the city (HD) **9.00** Fixer Upper: triple bill. Joanna surprises Chip by suggesting they buy a property **10.00** Searching for a property with space and character **11.00** A Houston couple search for a second home in Waco (HD) **12 midnight–4.00am** Fixer Upper (HD)

Home +1 **Sky** 258 **Virgin** 283

Quest 12

F'view 12 **F'sat** 172 **Sky** 144 **Virgin** 169 **HD** **F'view** 114 **F'sat** 167

6.00am Big, Big Bikes **7.00** EFL (HD) **9.00** Mighty Cruise Ships (HD) **2.00pm** Mighty Ships (HD) **7.00** Mysteries of the Missing: evidence of the lost city of Atlantis (HD) **8.00** Salvage Hunters: Drew Pritchard digs out treasure at a recently closed glove factory (HD) **9.00** Outback Truckers: trainee trucker Danyelle gets a driving lesson from her husband (HD) **10.00** Shark Rampage 1916: recounting the true story of the 1916 shark attack that inspired Oscar-winning blockbuster film *Jaws* (HD) **12 midnight** Shark Attack Survivors: why the predators attack humans, and advice on the best way to survive in the event of an encounter with the highly evolved killers **1.00am** Chasing Classic Cars: double bill (HD) **2.00** Wheels That Fail (HD) **3.00** Destroyed in Seconds **4.00** Swamp Loggers (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Overhaulin'

Quest +1 **F'view** 76 (7pm-4am) **F'sat** 168 **Sky** 244 **Virgin** 213

Challenge 46

Freeview 46 **Freesat** 146 **Sky** 151 **Virgin** 164

7.00am Family Fortunes **12 noon** All Star Family Fortunes **6.00pm** The Chase Celebrity Special: triple bill. With Edwina Currie, Rachel Riley, Keith Duffy and Mark Charnock **7.00** Jimmy Carr, Jack P Shepherd, Matt Dawson and Sally Bercow take part **8.00** With Dan Lobb, Jodie Prenger, Chris Packham and Jennie McAlpine (AD) **9.00** The Chase **10.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? (AD) **12 midnight** Bullseye **4.30–6.00am** Winter Wipeout

Challenge +1 **Freesat** 147 **Sky** 251 **Virgin** 230

BBC Parliament 232

Freeview 232 **Freesat** 201 **Sky** 504 **Virgin** 605

6.00am Highlights **6.50** BOOKtalk **7.05** Lecture **7.35** Highlights **8.35** BOOKtalk **8.50** Reflections **9.20** Highlights **9.50** Mayor's Questions **10.50** BOOKtalk **11.05** Properties **11.15** Lecture **11.45** Highlights **12.45pm** BOOKtalk **1.00** Reflections **1.30** Highlights **2.30** BOOKtalk **2.45** Lecture **3.15** European Parliament **4.25** Awards **4.50** Reflections **5.20** BOOKtalk **6.20** Bercow **6.50** Lecture **7.20** Highlights **8.20** BOOKtalk **8.35** Properties **8.45** Reflections **9.15** Highlights **10.15** Booktalk **10.30** Lecture **11.00** Welsh FMQs **12 midnight–6.00am** Highlights

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MONDAY Satellite & cable



A League of Their Own *8.00pm* Series highlights

Sky 1

Sky 106 **Virgin** 110 **HD** **Virgin** 109

6.00am Futurama (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Modern Family (S) (HD) **8.00** Cats and the Movie Musical Special (HD) **9.00** The Simpsons (HD) **10.30** David Attenborough's Galapagos (S) (AD) (HD) **1.30pm** The Bachelor King (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** David Attenborough's Natural History Museum Alive (S) (AD) (HD) **4.30** The Simpsons (S) (HD)

6.00pm Futurama Fry unleashes an acid-spewing monster. (S) (AD) (HD)

6.30 The Simpsons Marge helps Homer dress for a promotion. **7.00** The family takes a trip to Cuba. **7.30** Grampa discovers he is about to become a father again. (S) (HD)

8.00 A League of Their Own ***10/10*** *Series 14.* Best bits. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **The Russell Howard Hour** The best of 2019. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 The Shawshank Redemption ★★★★★ Prison drama, based on a story by Stephen King, starring Tim Robbins and Morgan Freeman. **Review page 85.** (W) (HD)

12.45am Romesh's Look Back to the Future (HD) **1.45** A League of Their Own (S) (AD) (HD) **2.50** Brit Cops: War on Crime (S) (HD) **3.55** Road Wars (S) **5.00–6.00am** Snake Boss: double bill (S) (HD)

Sky 1 +1 **Sky** 206



Game of Thrones *9.00pm* Will Daenerys listen to Jon?

Sky Atlantic

Sky 108

6.00am Storm City (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Fish Town (S) (HD) **8.00** Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **10.00** The West Wing (S) (HD) **12 noon** Without a Trace (S) (HD) **2.00pm** Blue Bloods (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** The West Wing (S) (HD) **5.00** Without a Trace (S) (HD)

7.00pm CSI: Crime Scene Investigation ***22/23*** *Series 3* An explosion threatens the outcome of a case. (HD)

8.00 Blue Bloods ***2/22*** *Series 5* Jamie faces the wrath of his fellow officers when he supports an ostracised colleague. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Game of Thrones ***1/6*** *Series 8.* The Wall, which has protected the Seven Kingdoms for 8,000 years, has fallen, and the Night King's army of the dead marches towards Westeros. **10.05** ***2/6.*** After arriving at Winterfell, Jaime Lannister is confronted with the consequences of his past mistakes. **11.15** ***3/6.*** The Night King and the army of the dead reach Winterfell, and an epic battle between the living and the dead begins. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.50am Ray Donovan (HD) **2.00** The Night Of (S) (AD) (HD) **4.20–6.00am** The West Wing (S) (HD)

Sky Atlantic +1 **Sky** 208



The InBetween *9.00pm* Tom investigates a murder

Sky Witness

Sky 107 **Virgin** 112 **HD** **Virgin** 111

6.00am Nothing to Declare (S) (AD) **8.00** Sun, Sea and A&E (S) (AD) **9.00** The Real A&E (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00pm** Stop, Search, Seize (S) (HD)

7.00pm Nothing to Declare Double bill following customs officers in Australia. (S) (AD)

8.00 Criminal Minds ***8/22*** *Series 13.* The agents travel to Miami, where a suspect has begun sensationalising his crimes. (S) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **The InBetween** ***8/10*** Cassie helps out an idol from her childhood, while Tom and Damien investigate a murder. (HD)

10.00 Criminal Minds ***3/23*** *Series 10.* When a suspicious plane crash mirrors a tragedy from Kate's past, she is forced to put aside her personal issues as the team members head to Colorado to examine the incident. (S) (HD)

11.00 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit ***22/23*** *Series 13* Rollins investigates the kidnapping of a woman involved in the world of body modification. (HD)

12 midnight CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **1.00am** Criminal Minds (S) (HD) **2.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (HD) **3.00** Criminal Minds (S) (HD) **4.00–6.00am** Nothing to Declare (S) (AD)

Sky Witness +1 **Sky** 207 **Virgin** 180



Ski A&E *8.00pm* A teenage boy goes missing off-piste

W

Sky 109 **Virgin** 125 **BT** 311 **HD** **Virgin** 211 **BT** 383

6.00am Doctor Who (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Dynamo: Magician Impossible (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** The Bill (S) (HD) **11.00** Ski A&E (HD)

6.00pm Ski A&E ***8/10.*** There's a rare crisis when one of the biggest cable cars in the world breaks down. **7.00** ***9/10.*** It's Varsity Week, when rival Oxbridge universities hit town for a downhill grudge match. **8.00** ***10/10.*** Patrol teams seek a 14-year-old boy who goes missing after skiing off-piste alone. (HD)

9.00 Kill Bill Vol 1 ★★★★ Martial arts drama starring Uma Thurman and directed by Quentin Tarantino. A deadly assassin known as "Black Mamba" swears revenge on the traitorous fellow killers who left her for dead on her wedding day. (S) (W) (HD)

11.20 Gavin & Stacey Smithy drags Gavin off on a boys' night out in Essex, while Stacey plays bingo in Barry. **12 midnight** Stacey travels to Essex to sort out her relationship, but the outlook is not promising. **12.35am** The couple settle into their new life in Wales. (S) (AD) (HD)

1.10 John Bishop in Conversation with Joan Collins (S) (HD) **2.05–3.00am** Louis Theroux: Extreme Love – Dementia (S) (AD) (HD)

W +1 **Sky** 209 **Virgin** 190



Death on the Tyne *9.00pm* Captain Jack (James Fleet)

Gold

Sky 110 **Virgin** 124 **BT** 310

7.30am A Sharp Intake of Breath **8.00** The Story of Only Fools and Horses (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Only Fools and Horses: 12 episodes (S) (AD)

6.20pm Only Fools and Horses Rodney's plans to make a film are spoiled by Del, who begins offering roles to anyone – for a price. **7.00** An old friend returns from Australia flushed with success and offers Del a share in his business empire Down Under. **7.40** Rodney dates the daughter of the Duke of Maylebury, and Del sees the chance for the family to marry into the aristocracy. Christmas special from 1986. (S) (AD)

9.00 Death on the Tyne Comedy mystery following on from *Murder on the Blackpool Express*, focusing on an eventful and bloody overnight ferry trip. Starring Johnny Vegas. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.00 Live at the Apollo Genial Dara O'Briain unleashes the acerbic, no-holds-barred wit of Scotland's Frankie Boyle. (S) (HD)

12 midnight Little Britain (S) (AD) **12.35am** Morecambe and Wise in America (S) (AD) (HD) **1.40** Morgana Robinson's The Agency (S) (AD) (HD) **2.10** David Jason: Planes, Trains and Automobiles (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00–4.00am** Live at the Apollo (S)

Gold +1 **Sky** 210 **Virgin** 194

Sky Arts

Sky 122 **Virgin** 123 **HD** **Virgin** 156

6.00am Celtic Woman: Ancient Land (HD) **8.00** Sarah Brightman: Hymn (HD) **10.00** The Legendary Bing Crosby (S) (AD) (HD) **11.15** Mario Lanza: the Best of Everything (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00pm** Hamilton: One Shot to Broadway (HD) **2.30** Discovering: Stevie Wonder (HD) **3.00** Discovering: the Beach Boys (HD) **3.30** Discovering: the Monkees (HD) **4.00** Discovering: Tina Turner (S) (HD) **4.30** Discovering: Carpenters (HD) **5.00** Discovering: the Mamas and the Papas (HD) **5.30** Discovering: Bee Gees (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm Johnny Cash at Folsom Prison A 1968 concert. (S) (HD)

7.00 John Wayne: America at All Costs A profile of the actor. (HD)

8.00 Dusty Springfield: Music Icons Examining the life and career of the singer. (S) (HD)

8.30 Il Divo: Timeless – Live in Japan A concert by the classical crossover group featuring pop favourites and traditional standards. (HD)

10.00 André Rieu: Wedding Special The Dutch violinist plays a host of celebratory songs. (HD)

11.00 André Rieu: World Tour A selection of performances by the Dutch violinist. (S) (HD)

12 midnight Frank Sinatra: the Main Event – Live from Madison Square Garden (HD) **1.00am** We Remember Marilyn (HD) **3.00** Discovering: Clint Eastwood (S) (HD) **4.00** The Directors (S) (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Discovering: Robert De Niro (S) (HD)

Sky Crime

Sky 121 **Virgin** 136 **HD** **Virgin** 135

6.00am Motorway Patrol (S) (AD) **7.00** Brit Cops: Rapid Response (S) (AD) **8.00** Border Security: Canada's Front Line (S) (AD) **9.00** Highway Cops (S) (AD) **12 noon** Border Security: Australia's Front Line (S) **5.00pm** Snapped (S)

6.00pm Snapped A camper disappears and his wife becomes a police suspect. (S)

7.00 Banged Up Abroad The story of a teenager who decided to smuggle drugs to fund a gastric bypass.

8.00 Murders That Shocked the Nation Fred Dinenage reflects on the time he spent with the notorious Kray twins in the 80s, and meets some of the gangsters' associates. (S) (AD)

9.00 ***New.*** **Killer Neighbours** A gay rights activist is found stabbed to death in his own home, leading investigators down a dark path of paranoia and delusions. (S)

10.00 Ted Bundy: World's Most Evil The story of the suave psychology graduate who admitted to killing at least 35 women. (S)

11.00 World's Most Evil Killers The murders of Chicago killer John Wayne Gacy. (S) (AD)

12 midnight World's Most Evil Killers (S) (AD) **2.00am** Snapped (S) **3.00** as 8pm (S) (AD) **4.00** Police Ten 7 (S) **5.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol (S) (AD)

Sky Crime +1 **Sky** 221 **Virgin** 207

Sky 2

Sky 168 **Virgin** 160

7.00am RSPCA Animal Rescue (S) (AD) **10.00** My Kitchen Rules: Australia (S) **12.30pm** Monkey Life (S) (AD) **1.00** American Ninja Warrior: double bill of demanding physical challenges (S) **3.00** Stargate SG-1 (S) **8.00** Road Wars: the police helicopter assists Charlie and Mish, who are in hot pursuit of two shoplifters careering through Slough **9.00** Magnum PI: Thomas is waiting to hear from Higgins as to whether she is officially his new partner **10.00** Hawaii Five-0: a new ally helps McGarrett and the team **11.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **12 midnight** The InBetween **1.00am** Highway Patrol (S) (AD) **2.00** Duck Quacks Don't Echo (S) (AD) **3.00** A League of Their Own (S) (AD) **4.00–6.00am** Monkey Life (S) (AD)

Universal TV

Sky 113 **Virgin** 122 **BT** 320 **HD** **Virgin** 121 **BT** 385

8.00am Numb3rs (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Ransom (S) (HD) **6.00pm** Ransom: triple bill. Eric's girlfriend is accused of being involved in an assassination attempt **7.00** The team tries to uncover the identity of a bombing survivor with no memory **8.00** Cynthia and her younger brother are abducted by a criminal (S) (HD) **9.00** Burden of Truth: Joanna struggles to maintain control of her case (S) (HD) **10.00** Proven Innocent (S) (HD) **11.00** CSI: Miami (S) (HD) **2.00am** Burden of Truth (S) (HD) **3.00** Sea Patrol (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Numb3rs (S) (AD) (HD)

Universal TV +1 **Sky** 213 **Virgin** 206

Syfy

Sky 114 **Virgin** 138 **BT** 319 **HD** **Virgin** 137 **BT** 375

6.00am Marvel's Runaways **8.00** Home Shopping **11.00 FILM** The Librarian: Quest for the Spear ★★ **1.00pm FILM** The Librarian: Return to King Solomon's Mines ★★ **3.00 FILM** The Librarian: the Curse of the Judas Chalice ★★ **4.50pm FILM** Short Circuit 2 ★★ Fantasy comedy starring Fisher Stevens **7.00 FILM** Coneheads ★★ Comedy starring Dan Aykroyd and Jane Curtin **9.00 FILM** Aeonflux ★★ Sci-fi thriller starring Charlize Theron **11.00 FILM** Ghosts of Mars ★★ Sci-fi action horror **1.00am FILM** Twelve Monkeys ★★★★ Futuristic thriller **3.30am** Future Man **4.10–6.00am FILM** Tomb Invader ★★

Syfy +1 **Sky** 214 **Virgin** 229

TLC

Sky 133 **Virgin** 167 **BT** 323 **HD** **BT** 377

6.00am Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **8.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress: the Big Day (HD) **12 noon** Say Yes to the Dress: Lancashire (HD) **7.00pm** Say Yes to the Dress: UK: four episodes. Joanne reveals her dress to her mum **8.00** Style expert Gok Wan helps bride Sarah **9.00** Meagan wants a fitted dress **9.30** Abisola dreams of an evening gown-style dress (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **11.00** Dr Pimple Popper (HD) **12 midnight** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **2.00am** Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **3.00** Dr Pimple Popper (HD) **4.00–6.00am** as 12 noon

TLC +1 **Sky** 233 **Virgin** 172

Comedy Central

Sky 112 **Virgin** 132 **BT** 307 **HD** **Virgin** 181 **BT** 370

8.00am Impractical Jokers (S) (HD) **10.00pm FILM** Addams Family Values ★★★★ Black comedy sequel, starring Anjelica Huston and Raul Julia (S) (HD) **12 noon** Most Ridiculous: Weather (S) (HD) **12.30pm** Most Ridiculous: Talent Shows (S) (HD) **1.00** Friends: 16 back-to-back episodes (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Lee Evans: XL Tour (S) **10.00 FILM** Wayne's World ★★★★ Comedy with Mike Myers (S) (HD) **12 midnight** Kevin Bridges: a Whole Different Story (S) (HD) **1.00am** South Park (S) (HD) **4.15** Most Ridiculous: Toddlers (S) (HD) **4.35–5.00am** Most Ridiculous: Wildlife (S) (HD)

Comedy Central +1 **Sky** 212 **Virgin** 133

Lifetime

Sky 187 **Virgin** 208 **BT** 329 **HD** **BT** 384

7.00am Judge Judy (HD) **9.00pm** ***New.*** Cheerleader Generation: Donna worries that her girls are not ready for regionals, as Maddie and Elissa feel the pressure **10.00** Storage Wars: double bill. The buyers hit Palm Springs and Dave looks to turn his luck around, then Mary and her new friend Allee search for showbiz-related items in Hollywood (HD) **11.00** Hardcore Pawn: double bill. Les sells the wristbands one by one, then Seth and Ashley make a series of bets (HD) **12 midnight** Pawn Stars (HD) **1.00am** Cheerleader Generation: Donna worries that her girls are not ready for regionals **2.00** Storage Wars (HD) **3.00–4.00am** Hardcore Pawn (HD)

ALL PROGRAMMES ON THE ABOVE CHANNELS ARE REPEATS UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

Key (S) Subtitles (SL) Signing (AD) Audio description (HD) High definition (W) Widescreen



Miss Marple *9.00pm* The sleuth looks for evidence

Alibi

Sky 132 **Virgin** 126 **BT** 312 **HD** **Virgin** 212 **BT** 382

7.10am Murdoch Mysteries (S) (HD) **9.00** Inspector George Gently (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00pm** Father Brown (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Death in Paradise: double bill (S) (AD) (HD)

6.20pm Death in Paradise *4/8 Series 7.* Jack and the team become embroiled in the mystical world of faith healing when a woman is poisoned during a ceremony – and all the evidence points to the arrogant healer himself. (S) (AD) (HD) **7.40** *5/8.* The island's Day of the Dead celebrations are cut short when a woman is killed, and DI Jack Mooney and his team must navigate the dark waters of the elitist yacht club to identify the killer. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Miss Marple *1/4 Series 3* The sleuth investigates a friend's claim to have witnessed a murder being committed on a passing train, but everyone is initially stumped by the lack of a body. Feature-length drama starring Joan Hickson and David Horovitch. (S) (AD)

11.25 Death in Paradise *6/8 Series 7.* The leader of a spiritual retreat is strangled. (S) (AD) (HD) **12.50am** *7/8.* Someone from JP's past is caught red-handed at a murder scene. (S) (AD) (HD)

2.15–4.00am The Mrs Bradley Mysteries: double bill (S)

Alibi +1 **Sky** 232 **Virgin** 191

Discovery History

Sky 171 **Virgin** 257

6.00am Blowing Up History (AD)

4.00pm Blowing Up History Archaeologists make discoveries that help explain the rise and sudden fall of the Roman Empire. **5.00** The ancient city of Petra has baffled experts for decades. Now, new technologies resurrect the city and reveal why it was suddenly abandoned. **6.00** The construction of the Inca capital of Cusco, focusing on new discoveries that reveal the secrets behind this mighty empire's fall. **7.00** A Viking fortress lost underground for over 1,000 years is discovered, and experts investigate its buried treasures. **8.00** The construction of an ancient city lost in the Peruvian desert, where experts find signs of strange rituals. **9.00** The series exploring the myths of mysteries of previous eras and civilizations through their monuments. Here, the latest science and technology reveal the secrets of the Statue of Liberty. **10.00** Exploring the secrets of a ruined city in Greece, which gave birth to the mythical stories surrounding the legend of Atlantis. **11.00** Delving into the story of Attila the Hun, this programme examines evidence that casts light on the tribal ruler's role in the fall of Roman Empire.

12 midnight–6.00am Blowing Up History

Discovery History +1 **Sky** 271 **Virgin** 261



NCIS: New Orleans *9.00pm* Pride questions homeless kids

Fox

Sky 124 **Virgin** 157 **HD** **Virgin** 199

8.00am Bull (HD) **9.00** Bones (HD) **10.00** Bull (HD) **11.00** NCIS: New Orleans (HD) **12 noon** Bones (HD) **2.00pm** The Mentalist (HD) **3.00** NCIS: New Orleans (HD) **4.00** Bull (HD) **5.00** Bones (HD)

6.00pm The Mentalist *3/22 Series 5.* A bank employee is murdered during a heist. (HD)

7.00 NCIS *12/24 Series 13* The team members join their New Orleans colleagues to investigate when all the passengers on board a private jet are killed. (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** *13/24.* A seaman's murder is linked to a resurgent human trafficking ring. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 NCIS: New Orleans *9/24 Series 4.* Pride second-guesses evidence suggesting homeless kids are the suspects in the murder of a petty officer. (HD) **10.00** *10/24.* Pride and the team rehash the Clearwater case. Stacy Keach guest-stars. (HD)

11.00 American Dad! *Series 14* Roger becomes worried about outliving the family. (HD) **11.30** Francine falls in with a group of tough girls. (HD)

12 midnight American Dad! (HD) **2.00am** Family Guy **3.00** Science of Stupid (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Bull (HD)

Fox +1 **Sky** 224 **Virgin** 158

History

Sky 130 **Virgin** 270 **BT** 327 **HD** **BT** 379

6.00am American Pickers (HD) **8.00** Britain's Greatest Bridges (HD) **2.00pm** American Pickers (HD) **7.00** Mega Transports: double bill. The Antonov An-225 Mriya, then a feat of engineering that allowed an entire village to be moved (HD) **9.00** JFK Assassination: the Definitive Guide: investigating who was responsible for the death of the former US president (HD) **11.00** Escobar Exposed: double bill. An account of infamous drug lord Pablo Escobar's activities, then there's never-before-heard testimonies from the family and cohorts of Colombian drug lord Pablo Escobar (HD)

1.00am Divided States: a gunman who allegedly opened fire in a bar (HD) **2.00–6.00am** American Pickers (HD)

History +1 **Sky** 230 **Virgin** 271

Animal Planet

Sky 162 **Virgin** 251 **BT** 325 **HD** **BT** 378

6.00am Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **8.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (S) (HD) **10.00** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **11.00** Animal Cops Detroit (S) (AD) **1.00pm** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **3.00** My Cat from Hell (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Homestead Rescue (HD) **5.00** The Zoo: San Diego (HD) **6.00pm** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **7.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (AD) **8.00** Crikey! It's The Irwins (HD) **9.00** Homestead Rescue (HD) **10.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (HD) **11.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (S) (HD) **1.00am** Animal Cops Houston (S) (HD) **2.00** Crikey! It's The Irwins (HD) **3.00** Homestead Rescue (HD) **3.50** Jeremy Wade's Dark Waters (S) (HD) **4.40** Orangutan Island (S) (HD) **5.10–6.00am** The Zoo (S) (HD)

Animal Planet +1 **Sky** 262 **Virgin** 259



Bitchin' Rides *9.00pm* Kindig and Kevdogg get to work

Discovery

Sky 125 **Virgin** 250 **BT** 322 **HD** **BT** 376

6.00am Fast 'n' Loud (S) (HD)

7.00pm Outback Truckers Cameron's journey gets hotter and harder and Sludge's mountain mission takes a downhill slide. (S) (HD)

8.00 Combat Dealers Bruce travels from Plymouth to Illinois by buying and selling various German hardware, while his mate Kevin purchases the last remaining German torpedo boat for £5 million. (S) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **Bitchin' Rides** After Dave picks the colour and the bodywork is finished, the Nova is almost complete and is finally moved into the assembly shop. (HD)

10.00 Iron Resurrection The mechanics of Martin Brothers Customs work their magic on a rare, 360 horsepower, fuel-injected American classic – a 1962 Chevy Corvette. (S) (HD)

11.00 ***New.*** **Street Outlaws: Memphis** The big tyre event of JJ's Arm Drop in West Virginia continues into round two. (S) (HD)

12 midnight Bitchin' Rides (HD) **1.00am** Iron Resurrection (S) (HD) **2.00** Deadliest Catch (S) (HD) **3.00** Bitchin' Rides (HD) **3.50** Fast 'n' Loud (S) (AD) (HD) **5.30–6.00am** How It's Made (S) (HD)

Discovery +1 **Sky** 225 **Virgin** 258

Nat Geographic

Sky 129 **Virgin** 266 **BT** 317 **HD** **Virgin** 268 **BT** 373

8.00am Nazi Megastructures: Battle Ready: 11 back-to-back episodes (HD) **7.00pm** Nazi Megastructures: ten episodes. The creation of one of history's greatest air defence systems **8.00** Hitler's plan to land troops in southern England in 1940 **9.00** The battle between US and Japanese forces to control Guadalcanal **10.00** The construction of a railway through the jungle in Burma **11.00** The German campaign across Tunisia, Libya and Egypt **12 midnight** How German forces were led into a trap on Sicily **1.00am** Fortifications in the Channel Islands **2.00** Ruins left by Hitler's infamous Blitzkrieg tactics **3.00** Hitler's mountain retreat in the Alps **4.00–5.00am** The creation of the most advanced submarine of the Second World War (S) (AD) (HD)

Nat Geo +1 **Sky** 229 **Virgin** 267

Eden

Sky 166 **Virgin** 245 **BT** 315 **HD** **Virgin** 247 **BT** 389

9.00am Earth: the Power of the Planet (HD) **2.00** Horizon: How Many People Can Live on Planet Earth? **3.00** Earth: the Power of the Planet (HD) **6.00pm** Earth: the Power of the Planet: double bill. The effects of the oceans on land, climate and evolution, then Earth's place in space **8.00** Horizon: How Many People Can Live on Planet Earth?: the impact of population growth on the planet **9.00** Earth: the Power of the Planet: triple bill. The powerful natural forces that shaped the planet **10.00** Examining Earth's atmosphere **11.00** How ice changed the course of human evolution (HD) **12 midnight** Earth: the Power of the Planet (HD) **2.00am** as 8pm **3.00** Earth: the Power of the Planet (HD) **5.30–6.00am** Jungle Planet (HD)

Eden +1 **Sky** 266 **Virgin** 246



The Vietnam War *1.00pm* The epic story of the conflict

PBS America 91

F'view (HD only) 91 **F'sat** 155 **Sky** 174 **Virgin** 273

8.00am Native America

1.00pm The Vietnam War Ten years in the making, this series tells the epic story of the Vietnam War. **2.45** President Kennedy and his advisers wrestle with how deeply to get involved in South Vietnam. **4.30** Hardliners in Hanoi seize the initiative and send combat troops to the south, accelerating the insurgency, while US president Lyndon Johnson escalates America's military commitment. **6.50pm** North Vietnamese troops stream down the Ho Chi Minh Trail into the south, while Saigon struggles to pacify the countryside and the anti-war movement builds back in the US. **9.15** Hanoi lays plans for a massive surprise offensive, while the Johnson administration attempts to reassure the American public that victory is in sight.

11.00 Nuclear Nightmare: Inside the Cuban Missile Crisis Exploring the roles played by American president John F Kennedy, Soviet premier Nikita Khrushchev and Cuban leader Fidel Castro in the tense, two week stand-off in October 1963.

12.35am Alan Cumming's Edge of Scotland **1.35–2.00am** The Aviators

PBS +1 **Freeview** 93 (HD only)

Smithsonian 99

F'view (HD only) 99 **F'sat** 175 **Sky** 195 **Virgin** 276

6.00am Apollo's Moon Shot (HD) **9.00** America in Colour (HD) **10.00** Britain in Colour (HD) **11.00** Apollo's Moon Shot (HD) **2.00pm** The Lost Tapes (HD) **3.00** America in Colour (HD) **4.00** Britain in Colour (HD) **5.00** Planes, Cranes and Rockets (HD) **6.00pm** Inside the Factory: Gregg Wallace and the team investigates pasta **7.00** Mystic Britain: Britain's strange and unusual past (HD) **8.00** Adolf Island: a Nazi concentration camp secretly set up on the Channel Islands (HD) **9.00** The Hunt for Eagle 56: the sinking of the USS *Eagle 56* off the coast of Maine in 1945. (HD) **10.00** America in Colour (HD) **11.00** Adolf Island (HD) **12 midnight** The Hunt for Eagle 56 (HD) **1.00am** America in Colour (HD) **2.00** Adolf Island (HD) **3.00** as 9pm **4.00** as 10pm **5.00–6.00am** Planes, Cranes and Rockets (HD)

Sony Crime

Freesat 143 **Sky** 179 **Virgin** 193

6.00am Speeders **7.00** Bait Car: New Orleans **8.00** Bait Car: LA: double bill **9.00** Speeders **11.00** Bait Car: New Orleans: double bill of chases **12 noon** Bait Car: LA **1.00pm** Speeders

6.00pm Speeders: six episodes. Officer Slaughter pulls over a gun-totin' cowboy **6.30** A driver on their way to a prom is caught speeding **7.00** Deputy Rubel pulls over a repeat offender **7.30** A gaggle of party girls having a "boob-off" in Maryland **8.00** as 6pm **8.30** as 6.30pm **9.00** Bait Car: New Orleans: double bill of the series revealing how the police catch car thieves in the act **10.00** Bait Car: LA: double bill **11.00** Speeders: double bill **12 midnight** Bait Car **1.00am** Speeders **3.00** Bait Car: LA **4.00** Speeders **5.00–6.00am** Bait Car

CHILDREN'S

Milkshake! on C5

Full listings for Channel 5 are on p202

6.00am Peppa Pig: four episodes **6.20** Ben and Holly: Daisy and Poppy transform the kingdom's residents **6.35** Noddy: Toyland Detective **6.45** Fireman Sam **6.55** Thomas & Friends: double bill **7.20** Peppa Pig: double bill **7.45** Paw Patrol **8.05** Floogals: the aliens learn about basketball **8.25** Becca's Bunch: Mayor Ladymaus asks everyone to create a work of art **8.40** Little Princess **8.55** Digby Dragon **9.05–9.15am** Peppa Pig: double bill

CBeebies 202

Freeview 202 **Freesat** 608 **Sky** 614 **Virgin** 702

6.00am Something Special: We're All Friends **6.20** Baby Jake **6.35** Twirlywoos **6.45** Raa Raa the Noisy Lion **6.55** Numberblocks **7.05** Bing: double bill **7.20** Hey Duggee: double bill **7.35** Bitz & Bob **7.45** Peter Rabbit **8.00** Go Jetters **8.10** Octonauts **8.20** Biggleton **8.35** Justin's House **9.00** CBeebies Puss In Boots **9.45** Something Special: We're All Friends **10.10** Teletubbies **10.25** The Baby Club **10.35** Hey Duggee **10.45** Mister Maker's Arty Party **11.05** Pablo **11.15** Ferne and Rory's Vet Tales **11.30** School of Roars **11.40** My First **11.50** Tinga Tinga Tales **12 noon** My World Kitchen **12.15pm** Old Jack's Boat: Rockpool Tales; Small Potatoes **12.30** Katie Morag **12.45** Melody **1.00** Biggleton **1.10** Timmy Time **1.15** Yakka Dee! **1.20** Numberblocks **1.25** Bing **1.35** Twirlywoos **1.45** Something Special: We're All Friends **2.10** Teletubbies **2.20** The Baby Club **2.35** Pablo **2.50** Our Family **3.00** Andy's Prehistoric Adventures **3.15** Swashbuckle **3.40** Hey Duggee **3.45** Tinpo **3.55** Messy Goes to OKIDO; My Petsaurus **4.10** My First **4.25** Grace's Amazing Machines **4.35** Peter Rabbit **4.50** Go Jetters: four superheroes explore the world **5.00** My First Festival: Hanukkah **5.15** ***New.*** Bing **5.45** Moon and Me **6.05** Clangers: revival of the classic animation, narrated by Michael Palin **6.20** In the Night Garden… **6.45–7.00pm** CBeebies Bedtime Stories: a tale is read for younger viewers before they go to bed

CBBC 201

Freeview 201 **Freesat** 607 **Sky** 613 **Virgin** 701

7.00am Arthur **7.10** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **7.25** Danger Mouse **7.35** OOglies **7.50** Diddy TV **8.05** Class Dismissed **8.25** RT **CHOICE** Mr Stink: lonely 12-year-old Chloe invites local tramp Mr Stink to hide in her dysfunctional family's garden shed. **See page 169** **9.25** Almost Never: Christmas Wonderland **10.25** A Week to Beat the World **10.55** So Awkward **2.15pm** All Over the Place: UK **2.45** Class Dismissed: double bill **3.15** The Deep **3.35** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **3.50** Scream Street **4.00** Show Me What You're Made Of: UK **4.30** Danger Mouse **4.55** Donkey's Caroling Christmas-tacular **5.00** Almost Never: Christmas Wonderland **6.00** Dragons: Race to the Edge **6.25** Operation Ouch! **6.55** Grandpa's Great Escape **8.00** Millie Inbetween **8.30–9.00pm** The Dumping Ground: double bill

CITV 203

Freeview 203 **Freesat** 602 **Sky** 621 **Virgin** 734

6.00am Dino Dana **6.15** Super 4 **6.50** Dare Master **6.55** The Powerpuff Girls **7.20** Teen Titans Go! **7.50** Hotel Transylvania **8.20** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **8.55** Mr Magoo **9.55** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **10.55** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **11.50** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **12.30pm** Dare Master **12.35** Mr Magoo **1.35** Hotel Transylvania **2.30** Kung Fu Panda: the Paws of Destiny **3.00** Mr Magoo **4.00** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **5.00** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **5.30** ***New.*** Pokémon: the animated adventures of Ash, Pikachu and friends **6.15pm** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **7.00** Mr Magoo **7.40** Hotel Transylvania **8.05** Spy School **8.55–9.00pm** Dare Master

MONDAY Films & Sport

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Destination Pluto

Vinyl ★★★ *My5* **FREE TO VIEW**

The addition this year of the Pluto TV library to Channel 5's catch-up service has given us some interesting, under-the-radar movies – and all free to watch. Co-writer/director Sara Sugarman's enjoyable comedy features Phil Daniels as a washed-up rocker who is convinced that his old band can return to the spotlight. There's not much in the way of acerbic industry satire, but this is still a spirited swipe at designer pop. A new Pluto Retro channel also joins My5 this month, with an emphasis on trashy horror. **DAVID PARKINSON**



A good deed punished

P Greta ★★★ *10.00pm* ***Sky Premiere***

Terror is a little old lady in this sprightly chiller from writer/director Neil Jordan. Chloë Grace Moretz plays a waitress who makes a new friend when she finds a handbag and returns it to its owner (Isabelle Huppert). But the recent death of her mother leaves the waitress vulnerable to the manipulations of a woman who's more sinister than she appears to be. *Greta* is a little superficial, but Huppert plays the antagonist with delectable precision and there's fun to be had in the mischievous screenplay. **EMMA SIMMONDS**

A Godard celebration

Subscriber service MUBI's retrospective of French auteur Jean-Luc Godard is in full swing, with four of his early works now available, and more to follow over the coming months. Don't miss his game-changing debut *Breathless*, featuring iconic turns from Jean-Paul Belmondo and Jean Seberg. Kristen Stewart stars in a new biopic about Seberg, released in cinemas in January. **JAMIE HEALY**



FREEVIEW

Film4 14

F'view 14 **F'sat** 300 **Sky** 313 **Virgin** 428 **HD** **Virgin** 429

11.00am The Rugrats Movie ★★★ Terrific animated adventure. E G Daily, Christine Cavanaugh, Kath Soucie (1998, U) (S)

12.40pm Ice Age: Collision Course ★★ Diverting animated comedy. Ray Romano, John Leguizamo, Denis Leary, Queen Latifah (2016, U) (S)

2.40 Kubo and the Two Strings ★★★★★ Visually stunning animated fantasy. Charlize Theron, Art Parkinson, Matthew McConaughey (2016, PG) (S)

4.45pm Monster Trucks ★★★ Entertaining family adventure about a creature that takes up residence inside a teenager's truck. Lucas Till, Jane Levy (2016, PG)

6.55 Fantastic Four ★★ Action fantasy reboot with the superhero quartet. Miles Teller, Michael B Jordan, Kate Mara, Jamie Bell (2015, 12) (S) (AD)

9.00 Transformers: Age of Extinction ★★★ Mark Wahlberg teams up with Optimus Prime to save the world in this action sequel. Stanley Tucci (2014, 12) (S) (AD)

12.15am Bad Neighbours ★★★ Outrageous comedy. Seth Rogen, Zac Efron (2014, 15) (S) (AD)

2.10–4.00am Frank ★★★★ Comedy drama. Michael Fassbender, Domhnall Gleeson (2013, 15) (S)

Film4 +1 F'view 45 **F'sat** 301 **Sky** 314 **Virgin** 430

Sony Movies 32

Freeview 32 **Freesat** 302 **Sky** 321 **Virgin** 425

9.10am Eat Pray Love ★★ Biographical drama. (2010, 15) **11.50 RV: Runaway Vacation ★★** Comedy. Robin Williams (2006, PG) **1.45pm Bicentennial Man ★★** Sci-fi comedy drama. Robin Williams, Embeth Davidtz (1999, PG) **4.20 Stepmom ★★★★** Drama. Julia Roberts, Susan Sarandon (1998, 12)

6.55pm Finding Neverland ★★★★ Beautifully crafted biographical period drama. Johnny Depp, Kate Winslet, Julie Christie (2004, PG)

9.00 The Score ★★★ Smart heist thriller. Robert De Niro, Edward Norton, Marlon Brando (2001, 15)

11.30 21 Grams ★★★★ Astonishing drama. Sean Penn, Benicio Del Toro, Naomi Watts (2003, 15)

2.00am A Single Man ★★★★ Drama. Colin Firth, Julianne Moore (2009, 12) **4.05–6.00am The Little Vampire ★★★** Horror fantasy adventure. Jonathan Lipnicki, Richard E Grant (2000, U)

Sony Movies +1 F'view 60 (*limited* 10pm-5am) **Sky** 322

Sony Action 40

F'view 40 *(limited)* **F'sat** 305 **Sky** 323 **Virgin** 426

6.00am Texas Adios ★★★ Spaghetti western. (1966, 12) **7.45 Magma: Volcanic Disaster ★★** Disaster movie. (2006) **9.30 Lava Storm ★★** Disaster movie. (2008) **11.15 Icetastrophe ★★** Sci-fi thriller. Victor Webster (2014) **1.00pm Gunman's Walk ★★★** Western. Van Heflin (1958) **2.55** The West Wall **4.05** The Bunker: wartime drama

7.10pm Polar Storm ★ Sci-fi action drama. Jack Coleman, Holly Dignard, Tyler Johnston (2009)

9.00 Sniper 2 ★★ Action thriller with a lot of bloodshed. Tom Berenger, Bokeem Woodbine (2002, 15)

10.50 Bunraku ★★ Flashy action fantasy. Josh Hartnett, Woody Harrelson, Gackt Camui (2010, 15)

1.15am Look Again ★★ Mystery thriller. Morena Baccarin (2011, 15) **3.00–4.00am** Allied Armour

Sony Action +1 Sky 324

Talking Pictures TV 81

Freeview 81 **Freesat** 306 **Sky** 328 **Virgin** 445

6.00am The Hostage ★★ Thriller. Ron Randell (1956) (S) **7.30 Dusty Ermine ★★** Crime drama. Jane Baxter (1936, U) (S) **9.25 All for Mary ★★** Comedy. Nigel Patrick (1955, U) **11.00** June Allyson **11.30 Trent's Last Case ★★★** Crime mystery. Margaret Lockwood (1952, U) **1.15pm Lady Hamilton ★★★** Historical drama. Vivien Leigh, Laurence Olivier (1941, PG) (S) **3.45 6.5 Special ★★** Musical. Josephine Douglas (1958, U) (S) **5.30 The Big Money ★★** Comedy. Ian Carmichael (1956, U)

7.15pm The Blue Lamp ★★★★ British crime classic. Jack Warner, Jimmy Hanley (1949, PG) (S)

9.00 Special Branch TV crime drama.

10.00 The Cotton Club ★★★ Visually stunning drama. Richard Gere, Gregory Hines (1984, 15)

12.40am Breakout ★★★ Action adventure. Charles Bronson (1975, 15) (S) **2.40 The Four Feathers** ★★★★★ Adventure. John Clements, Ralph Richardson (1939, U) (S) **5.00–6.00am It Happened in Soho ★★** Crime drama. Richard Murdoch, Patricia Raine (1948)

Premiere

Sky 301 **Virgin** 401 **BT** 501

7.45am As 1pm **9.15** As 10pm **11.00 The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part ★★★★** Animated adventure. **Choice, p138.** Chris Pratt (2019, U) **1.00pm Wonder Park ★★** Animated fantasy. (2019, PG) **2.30 The Kid Who Would Be King ★★★** Fantasy adventure. **Choice, p176.** Louis Ashbourne Serkis (2018, PG)

4.45pm Mary Poppins Returns ★★★ Fun musical fantasy sequel. **Choice, p156.** Emily Blunt, Lin-Manuel Miranda, Ben Whishaw, Emily Mortimer (2018, U)

7.00 Avengers: Endgame ★★★★ End-of-an-era action epic. **Choice, p166.** Robert Downey Jr, Chris Hemsworth, Mark Ruffalo, Chris Evans (2019, 12)

10.00 P Greta ★★★ Isabelle Huppert makes Chloë Grace Moretz's life a misery in this sprightly chiller. **Choice, left.** (2018, 15)

11.45pm What Men Want ★★★ Fantasy comedy. **Choice, p196.** Taraji P Henson (2019, 15) **1.45am Avengers: Endgame** As 7pm **4.45 The Kid Who Would Be King** As 2.30pm

Premiere +1 Sky 312 **Virgin** 412

Hits

Sky 303 **Virgin** 403 **BT** 503

7.05am As 10.10pm **8.05 Johnny English ★★** (2003, PG) **9.35 Johnny English Reborn ★★★** (2011, PG) **11.25 Johnny English Strikes Again ★★** (2018, PG) **1.00pm The Lego Movie ★★★★** (2014, U) **2.45 The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part ★★★★ Choice, p138.** (2019, U)

4.35pm Wonder Park ★★ Digitally animated family feature. Brianna Denski, Jennifer Garner, Mila Kunis (2019, PG)

6.15 Skyscraper ★★★ Exciting action adventure. Dwayne Johnson (2018, 12)

8.00 Hotel Mumbai ★★★ Unflinching thriller. Dev Patel (2018, 15)

10.10 Harry Potter List Show

11.10 Happy Death Day 2U ★★ Sequel to 2017's smart horror. Jessica Rothe, Ruby Modine, Israel Broussard (2019, 15)

12.55am Pacific Rim ★★★ Sci-fi action adventure. Charlie Hunnam, Idris Elba (2013, 12) **3.10 The Mule ★★★★** Crime drama. Clint Eastwood, Bradley Cooper (2018, 15) **5.10 Godzilla ★★** Monster horror. Matthew Broderick, Jean Reno (1997, PG)

Action

Sky 307 **Virgin** 407 **BT** 507

6.15am Mission: Impossible As 3.45pm **8.15 Mission: Impossible 2** As 5.45pm **10.30 Mission: Impossible III** As 8pm **12.45pm** The Top Ten Show **1.05 Mission: Impossible – Fallout** As 10.15pm **3.45 Mission: Impossible ★★★★** Action spy thriller. Tom Cruise (1996, PG)

5.45pm Mission: Impossible 2 ★★★★ Super-agent Tom Cruise attempts to retrieve and destroy a deadly virus. Dougray Scott (2000, 15)

8.00 Mission: Impossible III ★★★ Tom Cruise finds his nearest and dearest targeted by an arms dealer. Philip Seymour Hoffman (2006, 12)

10.15 Mission: Impossible – Fallout ★★★★★ The team races against time to avert a nuclear disaster. Rebecca Ferguson, Henry Cavill (2018, 12)

12.45am King Arthur ★★★ Exciting period action adventure. Clive Owen, Keira Knightley (2004, 12) **3.00 Machete ★★★** Action crime thriller. Danny Trejo, Jessica Alba, Robert De Niro (2010, 18) **5.00** Sky Cinema Preview

Superheroes

Sky 302 **Virgin** 402 **BT** 502

6.00am The Top Ten Show **6.15 Black Panther ★★★★** Adventure. (2018, 12) **8.30 Avengers: Infinity War ★★★★** Action adventure. (2018, 12) **11.15 Ant-Man and the Wasp ★★★★** Action adventure. (2018, 12) **1.25pm Captain Marvel ★★★** Fantasy action adventure. (2019, 12)

3.45pm Avengers: Endgame ★★★★ Action adventure epic. **Choice, p166.** Robert Downey Jr, Chris Hemsworth, Mark Ruffalo, Chris Evans (2019, 12)

7.00 Aquaman ★★★ The most fun DC adventure yet. Jason Momoa, Nicole Kidman, Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe (2018, 12)

9.30 Venom ★★ Action fantasy. Tom Hardy, Michelle Williams, Riz Ahmed (2018, 15)

11.30 Iron Man ★★★★ Classy action adventure. Robert Downey Jr, Terrence Howard, Jeff Bridges, Gwyneth Paltrow (2008, 12)

1.50am The Incredible Hulk ★★★★ Sci-fi action adventure. Edward Norton, Liv Tyler, William Hurt, Tim Roth (2008, 12) **4.00 Fantastic Four ★★** Fantasy action adventure. Ioan Gruffudd, Jessica Alba, Chris Evans (2005, PG)

Drama

Sky 304 **Virgin** 410 **BT** 510

6.40am My Girl ★★ Drama. Dan Aykroyd (1991, PG) **8.35** As 5.25pm **11.10 Lady Bird** ★★★★★ Comedy. Saoirse Ronan (2017, 15) **1.00pm Jerry Maguire ★★★★** Romantic comedy. Tom Cruise, Cuba Gooding Jr (1996, 15) **3.30 About a Boy ★★★★** Romantic comedy drama. Hugh Grant, Toni Collette (2002, 12)

5.25pm First Man ★★★★ Rich and detailed drama about Neil Armstrong and his mission to the Moon. Ryan Gosling, Claire Foy (2018, 12)

8.00 Forrest Gump ★★★★ Dazzling comedy drama. Tom Hanks, Gary Sinise, Robin Wright, Sally Field (1994, 12)

10.25 Stand by Me ★★★★★ Sensitive coming-of-age drama in which four friends set out to find the body of a missing boy. Wil Wheaton, River Phoenix, Corey Feldman (1986, 15)

12 midnight Jerry Maguire As 1pm **2.20am Lady Bird** As 11.10am **4.00 Breakfast at Tiffany's** ★★★★★ Enchanting romantic comedy. Audrey Hepburn, George Peppard, Patricia Neal, Buddy Ebsen (1961, PG)

Musicals

Sky 308 **Virgin** 404 **BT** 504

6.25am South Pacific ★★★ Musical. Mitzi Gaynor (1958, U) **9.00** As 9pm **10.45 A Star Is Born ★★★★** Romantic drama. Lady Gaga, Bradley Cooper (2018, 15) **1.05pm Tangled ★★★★** Animated comedy. Mandy Moore (2010, PG) **2.50 Grease ★★★★** Musical. John Travolta, Olivia Newton-John (1978, PG)

4.50pm Grease 2 ★★ Musical sequel starring a then little-known Michelle Pfeiffer. Maxwell Caulfield (1982, PG)

6.50 Into the Woods ★★★ Potent screen transfer of Stephen Sondheim's magical musical. Meryl Streep, Emily Blunt, James Corden (2014, PG)

9.00 Singin' in the Rain ★★★★★ Irrepressible musical comedy in which silent film stars attempt to cope with the coming of sound. Gene Kelly, Debbie Reynolds, Donald O'Connor (1952, U)

10.50pm The Fighting Temptations ★★ Comedy. Cuba Gooding Jr, Beyoncé Knowles (2003, PG) **1.00am** Cats Special **2.00 Saturday Church ★★★** Drama. Luka Kain (2017, 15) **3.30 South Pacific** As 6.25am

Key (S) Subtitles (SL) Signing (AD) Audio description

Disney

Sky 305 **Virgin** 405 **BT** 505

6.10am As 3.50pm **8.00** As 5.50pm **10.00** As 8pm **12 noon Big Hero 6** ★★★★ Animated adventure. Scott Adsit (2014, PG) **1.50pm** As 11.30pm **3.50 Cinderella** ★★★★ Fantasy. Lily James (2015, U) **5.40** Frozen Fever **5.50 Ralph Breaks the Internet** ★★★★ Animated adventure. John C Reilly (2018, PG)

7.50pm Bao Animated short.

8.00 Dumbo ★★★★ Tim Burton is in full command of this charming live-action remake of the flying elephant fantasy. Colin Farrell, Michael Keaton, Danny DeVito, Eva Green (2019, PG)

10.00 Old Dogs ★★ Two friends become hapless babysitters in this comedy. John Travolta, Robin Williams (2009, PG)

11.30 Enchanted ★★★★ Witty part-animated romantic fantasy. Amy Adams, Patrick Dempsey, Susan Sarandon (2007, PG)

1.20am The Muppet Movie ★★★★ Comedy. (1979, U) **3.10 Tinker Bell** ★★★ Animated fantasy. Mae Whitman (2008, U) **4.40 Tinker Bell and the Great Fairy Rescue** ★★★ Animated fantasy adventure. (2010, U)

Thriller

Sky 309 **Virgin** 409 **BT** 509

6.45am The Da Vinci Code As 6.20pm **9.25** As 9pm **11.55 Layer Cake** ★★★ Crime thriller. Daniel Craig (2004, 15) **1.55pm RocknRolla** ★★★ Crime caper. Gerard Butler, Tom Wilkinson, Thandie Newton (2008, 15) **4.00 The Bodyguard** ★★★ Romantic thriller. Kevin Costner, Whitney Houston (1992, 15)

6.20pm The Da Vinci Code ★★★ A professor becomes caught up in a search for the Holy Grail in this enjoyable mystery thriller. Tom Hanks, Audrey Tautou (2006, 12)

9.00 Angels & Demons ★★ Glossy sequel to *The Da Vinci Code*. Tom Hanks, Ewan McGregor (2009, 12)

11.20 L'Amant Double ★★ Thriller about a troubled girl who falls for identical-twin analysts. Or does she? Marine Vacth, Jérémie Renier (2017, 18)

1.10am Face/Off ★★★★ High-octane action thriller. John Travolta, Nicolas Cage (1997, 18) **3.30 RocknRolla** As 1.55pm **5.30 Point Last Seen** ★★★ Suspense thriller based on a true story. Linda Hamilton (1998)

Sci-Fi/Horror

Sky 311 **Virgin** 411 **BT** 511

6.45am Star Trek: the Motion Picture ★★★ (1979, U) **9.00 Star Trek II: the Wrath of Khan** ★★★★ (1982, 12) **11.00 Star Trek III: the Search for Spock** ★★★ (1984, PG) **1.00pm Star Trek IV: the Voyage Home** ★★★★ (1986, PG) **3.00 Star Trek V: the Final Frontier** ★★★ (1989, PG)

5.00pm Star Trek VI: the Undiscovered Country ★★★★ Peace talks with the Klingons are threatened. William Shatner (1991, PG)

7.00 Star Trek: Generations ★★★★ Entertaining adventure. Patrick Stewart, William Shatner (1994, PG)

9.00 Star Trek: First Contact ★★★★★ The *Next Generation* crew travel back in time to when the human race first encountered aliens. Patrick Stewart, Jonathan Frakes (1996, 12)

11.00pm Star Trek: Insurrection ★★★ Adventure. (1998, PG) **1.00am Star Trek: Nemesis** ★★★ Sci-fi adventure. (2002, 12) **3.00 Overlord** ★★★ Second World War horror. (2018, 18) **5.00** Sky Cinema Preview

Harry Potter

Sky 306 **Virgin** 406 **BT** 506

8.10am The Chamber of Secrets ★★★★ Fantasy. Daniel Radcliffe (2002, PG) **11.00 The Prisoner of Azkaban** ★★★★ Fantasy adventure. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2004, PG) **1.25pm The Goblet of Fire** ★★★★ Adventure. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson, Michael Gambon (2005, 12)

4.05pm The Order of the Phoenix ★★★★ Hogwarts faces the arrival of a terrifying teacher. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2007, 12)

6.25 The Half-Blood Prince ★★★★ Harry tries to discover a secret from Voldemort's past. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2009, 12)

9.00 The Deathly Hallows: Part 1 ★★★ Harry, Ron and Hermione are on the run. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2010, 12)

11.30pm The Deathly Hallows: Part 2 ★★★★★ Harry and Voldemort clash for the final time. Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson, Rupert Grint (2011, 12) **1.45am The Philosopher's Stone** ★★★★ Fantasy. (2001, PG) **4.20** As 8.10am

Comedy

Sky 310 **Virgin** 408 **BT** 508

6.25am Benchwarmers 2: Breaking Balls ★ (2019, 12) **8.10 Ice Age 3: Dawn of the Dinosaurs** ★★★ Animated adventure. (2009, U) **10.00 Jack and Jill** ★ (2011, PG) **11.45 Superbad** ★★★★ (2007, 15) **1.50pm The Other Guys** ★★★ (2010, 12) **3.55 Night School** ★★ (2018, 12)

6.00pm Little ★★ A horrid tech magnate is forced to learn some life lessons. Regina Hall, Issa Rae (2019, 12A)

8.00 What Men Want ★★★ It's a man's world for Taraji P Henson in this gender-swapping comedy. **Choice, p196.** (2019, 15)

10.00 The 40 Year Old Virgin ★★★ Sharply scripted comedy starring Steve Carell as a sexually inexperienced middle-aged man. Catherine Keener (2005, 15)

12 midnight Eaten by Lions ★★★ Seaside comedy. Antonio Aakeel, Jack Carroll, Asim Chaudhry (2018, 12) **1.40am Superbad** As 11.45am **3.40 Old Boys** ★★★ Comedy. Alex Lawther, Pauline Etienne (2017, 12) **5.20** As 8.10am

TCM Movies

Sky 315 **Virgin** 415 **BT** 512 HD **Virgin** 416

7.30am Black Horse Canyon ★★ Western. (1954, U) **9.20 The Big Sleep** ★★★★★ Drama. Humphrey Bogart (1946, PG) **11.40 Gun Fever** ★★ Western. (1958) **1.30pm The Hound of the Baskervilles** ★★★★★ Mystery. Peter Cushing (1959, PG) **3.20 Gun the Man Down** ★★★ Western. (1956, U)

5.00pm Guns for San Sebastian ★★ Bombastic western. Anthony Quinn, Charles Bronson (1968, PG)

7.20 Fury at Showdown ★★★ Tense western. John Derek (1957)

9.00 Sudden Impact ★★★ Tough thriller. Clint Eastwood (1983, 18)

11.30 Full Metal Jacket ★★★★★ Harrowing Vietnam War drama that follows a group of recruits through training and into battle. Matthew Modine, Adam Baldwin (1987, 18)

2.00am The Gambler Wore a Gun ★★★ Enjoyable western. James Davis, Merry Anders, Mark Allen (1961, U) **3.10** Off Set **3.30** Close Up **5.00** Hollywood's Best Film Directors **TCM Movies +1** **Sky** 316 **Virgin** 417

SPORT



Championship Football
7.30pm ***Sky Football*** Derby County skipper Curtis Davies

Sky Main Event

Sky 401 **Virgin** 511 **BT** 402 HD **Virgin** 501 **BT** 437

6.00am Total Goals **7.30 LIVE Test Cricket** South Africa v England, the fifth and final day of the first Test in the four-match series, taking place at Supersport Park, Centurion. **3.00pm** Test Cricket: highlights and debate from the fifth day of the first Test between South Africa and England **4.00** Sky Sports News **7.00 LIVE World Darts** Day 15 of the PDC World Championship at Alexandra Palace in London, featuring the semi-finals, played over the best of 11 sets. **11.00** NBA: basketball action **12 midnight** Sky Sports News **1.00am LIVE Wrestling** Explosive action from the States with the over-the-top stars. **4.15** Great Sporting Moments (AD) **4.30** Sporting Records (AD) **5.00–6.00am** Sky Sports News

Sky Football

Sky 403 **Virgin** 513 HD **Virgin** 503

6.00am Championship Highlights **7.00** League One and Two Goals **7.30** Championship Highlights **9.30** League One and Two Goals **10.00** UEFA Nations League **3.00pm** Championship Highlights **6.00** Soccer AM: the Best Bits **6.30** League One and Two Goals **7.00** SPFL Round-Up **7.15** Championship Highlights: Nottingham Forest v Wigan Athletic **7.30 LIVE Championship Football** Derby County v Charlton Athletic, coverage of the clash at Pride Park (kick-off **7.45**). **10.00** SPFL Round-Up **10.15** Championship Highlights **11.30** Football's Greatest Players: a profile of Kaka, the former AC Milan midfielder who won Serie A and the Champions League and received the Ballon D'Or in 2007 (AD) **12 midnight** Football Years (AD) **1.00am** Countdowns (AD) **2.00** SPFL Greatest Games **2.30** One2Eleven (AD) **3.00** Classic Play-Offs **4.00** EFL Greatest Games **4.30** Countdowns (AD) **5.00** Greatest Players (AD) **5.30–6.00am** Football Years (AD)

Sky Golf

Sky 405 **Virgin** 515 HD **Virgin** 505

6.00am US Open Official Films: triple bill. A look back at the 2016 staging of the Major, which took place at Oakmont Country Club in Plum, Pennsylvania **7.00** The 2017 tournament at Erin Hills in Wisconsin **8.00** A look back at the 2018 staging of the Major (AD) **9.00** Golf: US Open: a replay of day four at Pebble Beach Golf Links in California **5.00pm** How the 2019 US Open Was Won (AD) **7.00** US Open Official Films (AD) **8.00** How the 2019 US Open Was Won (AD) **10.00–6.00am** Golf: US Open

Sky Premier League

Sky 402 **Virgin** 512 HD **Virgin** 502

6.00am Years **8.00** Goals on Sunday **9.30** Highlights **10.30** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **11.00** 100 Club **12 noon** Highlights **4.00pm** Christmas Crackers **4.30** Best of 18/19 **5.00** Soccer AM **5.30** Highlights **7.00** Review **8.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox: the pundit talks to a fellow former Premier League player **9.00** Review **10.00** Class of 92: Full Time **1.00am** Years (AD) **3.00** Greatest Games (AD) **4.00** Best Goals **5.30–6.00am** 100 Club (AD)

Sky Cricket

Sky 404 **Virgin** 514 HD **Virgin** 504

6.00am Test Cricket **7.30 LIVE Test Cricket** South Africa v England, the fifth and final day of the first Test in the four-match series, taking place at Supersport Park, Centurion. **3.00pm** Test Cricket: South Africa v England, the fifth and final day of the First Test in the four-match series at Supersport Park **6.00** Cricket 360: the latest news from the cricket world **7.00** Test Cricket **4.30am** Cricket's Greatest Games (AD) **5.30–6.00am** Best of England v Pakistan (AD)

Sky Action

Sky 407 **Virgin** 517 HD **Virgin** 507

6.00am Boxing Gold **7.00** Wrestling **8.00** Women's NBA: Las Vegas Aces v Chicago Sky **9.30** NBA Classic Games: a memorable match between Miami Heat and Charlotte Hornets **10.30** NFL **12.30pm** NFL: America's Game (AD) **1.30** Wrestling **4.30** NFL **8.30** NBA: news and analysis, followed by Toronto Raptors v Oklahoma City Thunder **10.45** Great Sporting Moments: Cathy Freeman's 400m gold medal at the 2000 Olympics (AD) **11.00** NBA **12 midnight** NFL Hard Knocks: following the pre-season training of the Oakland Raiders as they prepare for their final season in California before moving to Las Vegas **1.00am LIVE Wrestling** Explosive action from the States with the over-the-top stars, featuring the likes of Seth Rollins and Finn Balor. Presented by Michael Cole, Corey Graves and Renée Young. **4.15** Great Sporting Moments (AD) **4.30** Sporting Records (AD) **5.00–6.00am** Sporting Greats (AD)

Sky Darts

Sky 408 **Virgin** 518 HD **Virgin** 508

6.00am Darts Gold **7.00** World Darts **11.00** Darts Gold **11.10** Top Five Moments **12 noon** Darts Gold **12.30pm** World Darts **4.30** Darts Gold **6.30** Top Five Moments **7.00 LIVE World Darts** Day 15 of the PDC World Championship at Alexandra Palace in London, featuring the semi-finals, played over the best of 11 sets. **11.00** Darts Gold **3.40am** Top Five Moments **4.00–6.00am** Darts Gold (AD)

Eurosport 1

Sky 410 **Virgin** 521 **BT** 412 HD **BT** 435

6.00am Alpine Skiing **7.00** Cross-Country Skiing **8.00** Ski Jumping **9.00** Alpine Skiing **1.00pm** Ski Jumping **2.00** Cross-Country Skiing **4.15** Cyclo-Cross **5.15** Alpine Skiing **7.15** Ski Jumping: action from the Four Hills meeting from Oberstdorf in Germany, featuring the HS137 jump **8.15** Alpine Skiing: World Cup highlights from Bormio, Italy **9.15** Cross-Country Skiing: from Switzerland **10.45** Chess: Grand Prix Series highlights from Tel Aviv **12 midnight** Hall of Fame – Greatest Gymnasts: a look at some of the most outstanding gymnasts in Olympic history **1.00am** International Football **2.00** Olympics: Hall of Fame **5.00–6.00am** Chess: from Tel Aviv

BT Sport 1

Sky 413 **Virgin** 527 **BT** 408 HD **BT** 430

6.00am Classic Premier League (AD) **6.30** Sailing (AD) **7.00** T20 Cricket **8.00 LIVE T20 Cricket** Hobart Hurricanes v Melbourne Stars, the Big Bash League encounter from University of Tasmania Stadium, Launceston. **11.15** Test Cricket **12.15pm** BT Sport Goals Reload **12.30** German Football **1.00** Premier League Review **2.00** Non-League Football **3.30** German Football **4.00** BT Sport Goals Reload **4.30** Classics in Europe (AD) **5.30** Premier League Football **7.00** Scottish Football **7.15** BT Sport Goals Reload **7.30** German Football **8.00** Classic Premier League (AD) **9.00** Premier League Review **10.00** Poker **12 midnight** Classic Premier League (AD) **12.30am** UFC 25 Greatest Fights (AD) **3.00** The Barcolana **4.00** Rugby Union **4.45** Scottish Football **5.00–6.00am** BT Sport Goals Reload

BT Sport 2

Sky 414 **Virgin** 528 **BT** 409 HD **BT** 431

7.15am Premier League Review **8.15** Premier League Football **9.45** What I Wore **10.00** Scottish Football **12 noon** Sailing (AD) **12.30pm** What Carter Lost (AD) **2.00** Arsenal Classics (AD) **3.00** Manchester United Classics (AD) **4.00** Test Cricket **5.00** T20 Cricket: Hobart Hurricanes v Melbourne Stars in Australia's Big Bash League **6.00** BT Sport Reload **6.30** MotoGP (AD) **8.00** Gearing Up **8.30** Sailing (AD) **9.00** Fishing (AD) **10.00** Rugby Union **10.45** Scottish Football **11.00** Doc & Darryl (AD) **12.30am** Tommy (AD) **2.00** Classic Boxing (AD) **5.30–6.00am** Gearing Up

BT Sport 3

Sky 417 **Virgin** 529 **BT** 410 HD **BT** 432

6.00am Rugby Union **8.30** Non-League Football **10.00** Classic Premier League (AD) **10.30** BT Sport Goals Reload **11.30** German Football **12 noon** Rugby Union **2.30pm** BT Sport Goals Reload **3.00** World Rally (AD) **4.00** Sailing (AD) **4.30** The Polo Show (AD) **5.00** Gearing Up **5.30** Triathlon: action from the XTERRA World Series **6.00** Rugby Union **8.30** Test Cricket: highlights from day five of the second Test between Australia and New Zealand **9.30** T20 Cricket: Hobart Hurricanes v Melbourne Stars **10.30** BT Sport Goals Reload **11.00** The Polo Show (AD) **11.30** Rugby Union **2.00am** T20 Cricket **3.00** Test Cricket **4.00** Motor Racing **5.00–6.00am** Fishing (AD)

BT Sport ESPN

Sky 423 **Virgin** 530 **BT** 411 HD **BT** 434

6.00am ESPN Special **7.00** ESPN FC **7.30** American Football **4.00pm** ESPN Special **5.00** ESPN FC **5.30 LIVE American Football** The First Responder Bowl; **9.00** The Music City Bowl; **12.30am** The Orange Bowl. **4.30am** American Football **5.30–6.00am** BT Sport Reload

Eurosport 2

Sky 411 **Virgin** 522 **BT** 413 HD **BT** 436

6.00am Ski Jumping **7.00** Alpine Skiing **9.00** Cyclo-Cross **10.00** World Snooker: highlights of the 2019 final between Judd Trump and John Higgins **12 noon** World Darts: action from the 2019 men's final between Glen Durrant and Scott Waites **1.00pm** Climbing **2.15** Cyclo-Cross **3.15** Judo **3.55** Snooker: the Masters final from London **8.00** World Snooker **10.00** World Darts **11.00** Ski Jumping **12 midnight** Snooker **2.00am** Ski Jumping **3.00** Cross-Country Skiing **4.00–6.00am** Alpine Skiing

Puzzles Tackle our Christmas Prize Crossword and win a pair of **Bose headphones!** P288

New Year's Eve



PICK OF THE DAY New Year Celebrations

ENTERTAINMENT Staying in tonight? There's plenty to entertain you, with the main attraction being **Jools's Annual Hootenanny** (11.15pm BBC2). Jools Holland's musical guests include Brittany Howard, La Roux, Rick Astley, Tom Walker, YolanDa Brown, Stereophonics, Eddi Reader... and Stormzy, an impressive booking that might challenge the usual format of convincing people to sing big-band classics with Jools and the Rhythm & Blues Orchestra.

On BBC1, there's **The Graham Norton Show** (10.20pm), featuring Stephen Graham, *Strictly* judge Motsi Mabuse and the pure chat-show gold that is Tom Hanks. That's followed by the now-traditional gig, delivered this year by **Craig David** (11.25pm), ahead of Big Ben's bongs and the Thames-side fireworks. In Scotland, your **Hogmanay** (11.30pm) hosts are Susan Calman and Des Clarke.

For something a bit cooler/funnier, head to Channel 4 for **The Last Leg of the Year** (9.00pm) with guests including Sue Perkins, Sara Pascoe, Tom Davis and Johnny Vegas, followed by a midnight-straddling **Big Fat Quiz of the Year** (11.05pm). So where's Alan Carr? Over on ITV, where if you missed it last night at 9pm, he reviews the year in **Celebrity Re-Play** (11pm).

Whichever channel you flip to: Happy New Year! **JACK SEALE**

Children's Choices



The Farmer's Llamas
10.50am ***BBC1***
Half an hour of terrific fun with Shaun the Sheep and friends. At auction, Shaun tricks the Farmer into purchasing three crafty llamas; back at Mossy Bottom, the trio's pranks soon go too far, leaving Shaun to come up with a harebrained scheme to get rid of them again.

The Railway Children
11.20am ***BBC1***
Edith Nesbit's much-loved tale was adapted for the screen in 1970, and remains unimprovable. Three Edwardian siblings are displaced from London to Yorkshire after their father's incarceration; Jenny Agutter abides as a classic young protagonist not above using her petticoat to help stop a train crash. Plus there's steam trains, the Dales, Bernard Cribbins's station porter and that tear-jerking ending...

John Wilson Orchestra at the BBC Proms
7.00pm ***BBC4***

MUSIC If you love the sound of Hollywood's golden age, don't hesitate before immersing in this swirl of nostalgia as John Wilson and his superb musicians celebrate *The Warner Brothers Story*. In a concert given last August, he revives classic scores, some familiar and a few oddities. Choose your favourites.

I relished Wilson's new suite for *Now, Voyager;* the Doris Day tribute (*The Deadwood Stage* from *Calamity Jane*); and one of the encores, *I Could Have Danced All Night* (from *My Fair Lady*). **PATRICK MULKERN**

Holby City
8.05pm ***BBC1*** *(Scotland: 11pm Thursday 2 January)*

DRAMA Regular *Holby* viewers will recall that Serena's daughter Elinor died around this time back in 2017. Now, in a classic soap coincidence, the person who Serena holds responsible for Elinor's death turns up as a patient.

It sends the medical director into a tailspin and, with the departure of actor Catherine Russell already announced, you can probably guess where this is heading. Though spare a thought for her staff, seeing as Max seems intent on flogging Darwin ward. "It's backdoor privatisation," seethes Fletch. Will we see "Our NHS is not for sale" placards being readied? **DAVID BROWN**

Detectorists
from 12.10am ***BBC4***

SITCOM Before he was standing in fields as scarecrow Worzel Gummidge, Mackenzie Crook was... standing in fields as amateur archaeologist Andy Stone. The eco themes of the former can be traced back to the love of countryside shown here, by Andy and his metal-detecting mate Lance Stater (Toby Jones) – and also by the cinematographer.

Night owls and those who've somehow slipped under *Detectorists*' radar can enjoy the whole of 2014's first series now, as the chums encounter a batty farmer, an unexploded bomb and romantic complications. In essence a comedy of misunderstanding what constitutes treasure, the series yields gold on every single viewing. **MARK BRAXTON**



SHIPMATES Dame Edna (Barry Humphries) and Nile Rodgers

Dame Edna Rules the Waves *9.05pm* ***BBC1*** *(not Scotland)*

ENTERTAINMENT Ship ahoy, possums! We find Dame Edna all at sea. She's been "inappropriately touched by the taxman" so is hiding in the Sargasso in her super yacht, *Ocean Widow*. That's the daft premise anyway. We know by now what to expect from Edna: retina-searing glitz, a sofa of celebrities ripe for teasing (Sharon Osbourne, Rob Rinder and Emily Atack), musical interludes (Rudolph Walker and Nile Rodgers) and some gynaecological chit-chat (ship's chef Rick Stein gets an offer he'd gladly refuse).

It's a format that's worked a treat since her 1980s heyday on ITV, and I've been in paroxysms of mirth at her live shows, but the Dame has lost some of her, at times terrifying, control (Barry Humphries, now 85, is remarkable but looks to be checking an autocue). There are still a few sharp lines and Joe Sugg bounds on to inject some youth. **PM**

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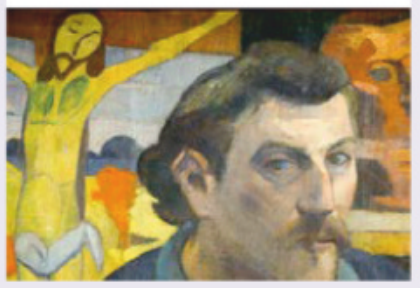

Gauguin: a Dangerous Life
iPlayer (expires today)
Nobody expects great painters to have been stable, reliable good guys in real life, but 19th-century master Paul Gauguin really took on the mantle of the artist who leaves chaos behind as they pursue their visions. That's all set out in this uncompromising, and therefore gripping, life story.



Naples '44
iPlayer (expires today)
Benedict Cumberbatch reads the words of travel writer Norman Lewis in an unusual film that's compelling if you can get into its rhythm. Lewis's account of how Naples was left shattered by Nazi occupation is interwoven with film clips showing the city starting to bloom again. **JS**

BEST LIVE SPORT

■ **Big Bash League Cricket: Adelaide Strikers v Sydney Thunder** *8am* ***BT Sport 1*** Australia rings in 2020 with a Twenty20 clash under lights.

■ **Ski Jumping** *12.55pm* ***Eurosport 1*** The Four Hills event from Garmisch-Partenkirchen.

■ **American Football** *from 5pm* ***BT Sport 1*** A triple-header of college bowls from the US, starting with the Belk Bowl.

FILM OF THE DAY

The Queen
12.45pm ***ITV***
Stephen Frears's drama earned Helen Mirren an Oscar for her portrayal of Elizabeth II.
See page 90

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New Year's Eve

DAYTIME

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast Louise Minchin, Dan Walker. (S) (HD)

9.00 Revolting Rhymes *1/2*. An animated adaptation of three poems written by Roald Dahl. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

9.30 Chicken Run ★★★★ Animated comedy adventure. A clutch of hens plan a prisoner-of-war-style escape from an egg farm.
Directors Nick Park and Peter Lord (2000, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

10.50 Shaun the Sheep: The Farmer's Llamas Shaun is delighted by the arrival of some llamas on the farm. **Children's choice, page 209.** (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

11.20 The Railway Children ★★★★★ Classic period drama. Three children are forced to move from London to the country. **Review p90; Children's choice, page 209.** Director Lionel Jeffries (1970, U) (S) (W) (HD)

1.05pm BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

1.30 Paddington 2 ★★★★★ Comedy starring Hugh Bonneville. Paddington is arrested and imprisoned when a rare pop-up book is stolen. **Review p83.**
Director Paul King For cast see page 159 (2017, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

3.10–4.35 Shrek the Third ★★★ Animated fantasy comedy. When his father-in-law becomes ill, Shrek searches for the heir to the throne of Far Far Away. **Review p90.** Directors Chris Miller, Raman Hui (2007, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

BBC2

5.55–6.55am Sign Zone MasterChef: the Professionals An invention test based on rice. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

6.55 This Farming Life Lynn and Sandra get a surprise when they harvest their first batch of honey. (R) (S) (HD)

7.55 The Great British Sewing Bee *5/8* *Series 5.* The contestants make garments from recycled materials. **8.55 *6/8.*** The quarter-finalists create a worker's jacket from linen. Hosted by Joe Lycett. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

9.55 Wild Tales from the Village Following animals that live in a remote French village. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

10.55 Gregory Peck: Talking Pictures Chat. (R) (S)

11.30 The Big Country ★★★★★ Epic western with Gregory Peck. A sophisticated easterner heads west and becomes involved in a vicious feud.
Director William Wyler (1958, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

2.10–2.55pm War Films: Talking Pictures Movies released in the aftermath of the Second World War. (R) (S)

ITV

6.00am Good Morning Britain (S) (HD)

8.30 Lorraine Fashion and showbiz news. (S) (HD)

9.25 Judge Rinder Real-life court cases. (R) (S) (HD)

10.25 Midsomer Murders King's Crystal. The collapse of a family business leads to murder. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

12.25pm ITV News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

12.45 The Queen ★★★★★ Oscar-winning historical drama, starring Helen Mirren as Queen Elizabeth II and Michael Sheen as Prime Minister Tony Blair, re-creating the constitutional crisis in the aftermath of Princess Diana's death. **Film of the Day: page 90.**
Director Stephen Frears (2006, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

2.45–3.50 Tenable A team of postal workers from Morecambe attempt to get a perfect ten. (R) (S) (HD)

Channel 4

6.05am The Four Musketeers ★★★ Richard Lester's sequel to *The Three Musketeers*. Newly invested musketeer D'Artagnan is joined by his three colleagues as they once again go into battle against Cardinal Richelieu and Milady de Winter.
(1974, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

8.00 Swiss Family Robinson ★★★★ Period adventure. In an attempt to escape Napoleon's oppressive rule, the Robinson family board a ship and set off for a new life. But their journey comes to an abrupt halt when they are shipwrecked on a tropical island. Director Ken Annakin (1960, U) (S) (W) (HD)

10.25 Anna and the King ★★★ Period romantic drama starring Jodie Foster and Chow Yun-Fat. Bangkok, 1862: an English widow's faith in the western way of life is undermined.
Director Andy Tennant (1999, 12) (S) (W) (HD)

1.20–3.40pm Ever After: a Cinderella Story ★★★★ Romantic fantasy based on the fairy tale, starring Drew Barrymore, Anjelica Huston and Dougray Scott. Treated like a servant by her stepmother, could an encounter with the dashing Prince Henry change Danielle's life? Director Andy Tennant (1998, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

BBC1



Dame Edna Rules the Waves *9.05pm* As a new decade hoves into view, Emily Atack chats with Dame Edna

4.35pm Gangsta Granny

Adaptation of David Walliams's book about a bored boy who discovers another side to his grandma.

Granny	**Julia McKenzie**	Mr Parker	**Rob Brydon**
Ben	**Reece Buttery**	Flavio Flavioli	**Robbie Williams**
Mike	**David Walliams**	The Queen	**Joanna Lumley**
Linda	**Miranda Hart**	Kelly	**Jocelyn Jee Esien**
Raj	**Harish Patel**	Florence	**India Ria Amarteifio**

Writers David Walliams, Kevin Cecil and Andy Riley; Director Matt Lipsey
Producer Jo Sargent Shown Mon 23 December 7.05pm CBBC (R) (S) (HD)

5.45 Pointless

Quiz presented by Alexander Armstrong. (R) (S) (HD)

6.30 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

7.00 Celebrity Mastermind

John Humprhys quizzes Dylan Llewellyn, Claire McCollum, Caspar Lee and Rickie Haywood-Williams. More Thursday 2 January 7pm. NOTE: Episode may change depending on football coverage on Saturday 21 December (S) (HD)

7.30 EastEnders

Linda's drinking spirals dangerously out of control.
Writer Simon Ashdown Cast pp170/240 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.05 Holby City

RT **Mothers and their Daughters.** Serena encounters her dead daughter's drug dealer and has to make a life-or-death decision. **See p209.**

Serena Campbell	**Catherine Russell**	Sacha Levy	**Bob Barrett**
Max McGerry	**Jo Martin**	Essie Di Lucca	**Kaye Wragg**
Cameron Dunn	**Nic Jackman**	Xavier "Zav" Duval	**Marcus Griffiths**
Ange Godard	**Dawn Steele**	Kian Madani	**Ramin Karimloo**
Adrian "Fletch" Fletcher	**Alex Walkinshaw**	Ben Sherwood	**Charlie Condou**
Ric Griffin	**Hugh Quarshie**	Penelope Wright	**Marie Lawrence**
Nicky McKendrick	**Belinda Owusu**	Jay Richards	**Laurel Waghorn**
Chloe Godard	**Amy Lennox**	Richard MacDonagh	**Ron Donachie**
Donna Jackson	**Jaye Jacobs**	Dominic Copeland	**David Ames**

Writer Patrick Homes; Producer Sandra MacIver
Director Steve Brett (S) (AD) (HD)

9.05 Dame Edna Rules the Waves

RT Dame Edna Everage weighs anchor in her enormous yacht, the *Ocean Widow*, for a special evening with celebrity guests including Sharon Osbourne, Rob Rinder, Joe Sugg and Emily Atack. Plus music from Nile Rodgers and Chic. **See p209.**
Producer Claire Butchard; Exec producer Claudia Rosencrantz (S) (HD)
See feature: page 25

10.00 BBC News Weather (S) (HD)

Followed by **National Lottery Update** (S)

10.20 The Graham Norton Show

RT Graham welcomes Tom Hanks to the final show of the year, to talk about his role in *A Beautiful Day in the Neighbourhood.* Also on the sofa are Motsi Mabuse and Stephen Graham, and music comes from Melanie C and Sink the Pink. **See page 208.**
Director Steve Smith; Series producer Jon Magnusson (S) (HD)

11.25 Craig David Rocks Big Ben Live

RT The singer/songwriter performs at Central Hall Westminster. Continues 12.10am. **See page 208.**
Director Simon Staffurth; Series producer Cerrie Frost (S) (HD)

i RED BUTTON 11.30pm–12.30am Hogmanay Live
Coverage of the celebrations in Glasgow and Edinburgh

11.55 New Year's Eve Fireworks

RT Crowds of revellers gather on the Thames Embankment to bid goodbye to 2019 and welcome in a new decade. **See page 208.** (S) (HD)

12.10am Craig David Rocks Big Ben Live The singer/songwriter's live concert continues. (S) (HD)
1.00 Kevin Bridges: the Brand New Tour The comedian gives his take on the modern world. (R) (S) (HD)
2.00 Point Break ★★★★ Action thriller set in California's surfing scene starring Patrick Swayze and Keanu Reeves.
Director Kathryn Bigelow (1991, 18) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
4.00 Weather (S) (HD) **4.05–6.00am BBC News** (S) (HD)

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BBC2



Jools's Annual Hootenanny *11.15pm* Stormzy gets the New Year's Eve musical party started

2.55pm The Heroes of Telemark ★★★

Second World War thriller. Occupied Norway 1942: a team of resistance fighters undertakes the vital mission to destroy a heavy-water plant in order to prevent the Nazis producing an atomic bomb.

Dr Rolf Pedersen	**Kirk Douglas**	Uncle	**Michael Redgrave**
Knut Straud	**Richard Harris**	Arne	**David Weston**
Anna	**Ulla Jacobsson**	Major Frick	**Anton Diffring**

Director Anthony Mann (1965, U) (S) (W) (HD)

5.00 Australia: Earth's Magical Kingdom

3/3. How some of Australia's unique animals are thriving despite the proximity of humans. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00 Hippos: Africa's River Giants

David Attenborough examines the life of the hippopotamus in this *Natural World* film.
Director Brad Bestelink
Producers Laura Marshall and Lucy Meadows (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

7.00 Mortimer and Whitehouse: Gone Fishing

6/6 *Series 2.* Paul and Bob fish for grayling on the River Ure in the heart of the Yorkshire Dales. Away from the angling, the duo meet the medic who performed Bob's heart bypass surgery. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

7.30 Christmas University Challenge

7/10. In the final first-round match, Warwick University, represented by Tom Goodman-Hill and Ritula Shah, take on Imperial College London's team, with Brendan Walker and Kenan Malik. Jeremy Paxman hosts. (S) (HD)

8.00 Julie Walters: a Life on Screen

From her early partnership with Victoria Wood to her current status as undisputed national treasure, the multi award-winning actress, who is as adept at tragedy as comedy, has never lost the down-to-earth good sense that makes her universally loved. In this clip-filled tribute, Julie recalls some of the many diverse roles she has played. Alan Bleasdale, Willy Russell, Rupert Grint, Celia Imrie, Hugh Bonneville and, of course, Victoria Wood all pay tribute.
Producer Samantha Peters; Executive producers Clare Brown and Katherine Allen (R) (S) (HD)

9.00 Billy Elliot ★★★★

Drama set against the 1984 miners' strike. Eleven-year-old Billy Elliot faces a grim life in a northern colliery town. Then he discovers an unlikely love for ballet and, urged on by dance teacher Mrs Wilkinson, seeks to improve his prospects. **Review p90.**

Billy	**Jamie Bell**	George Watson	**Mike Elliot**
Mrs Wilkinson	**Julie Walters**	Michael	**Stuart Wells**
Dad	**Gary Lewis**	Billy aged 25	**Adam Cooper**
Tony	**Jamie Draven**	Principal	**Patrick Malahide**
Grandmother	**Jean Heywood**	Vice-principal	**Barbara Leigh-Hunt**

Director Stephen Daldry (2000, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

10.45 Mock the Week

Dara O Briain and Hugh Dennis mark the end of 2019 with a show looking back on the year's events.
Producer Ewan Phillips (R) (S) (HD)

11.15 Jools's Annual Hootenanny

RT Jools Holland and his Rhythm and Blues Orchestra welcome an eclectic mix of musical friends, old and new, to the New Year shindig that's become an institution. This year's line-up includes Stormzy, Alabama Shakes, Rick Astley, Tom Walker, Melanie and Stereophonics. The Pipes and Drums of the First Battalion Scots Guards are also on hand to help see in 2020. **See page 208.**
Director Janet Fraser Crook; Producer Caroline Cullen (S) (HD)

1.15–3.20am Best of Glastonbury 2019 Memorable performances from Worthy Farm, where artists included Stormzy, George Ezra, Bastille, Sheryl Crow, the Killers, Janet Jackson, the Proclaimers and Miley Cyrus. (R) (S) (HD)

BBC2 Freeview 2 Freesat 102 Sky 102 Virgin 102
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ITV



Spectre *8.00pm* The ice man cometh: James Bond encounters a deadly criminal organisation

3.50pm Tipping Point: Lucky Stars
Ben Shephard presents the quiz, with Dr Ranj Singh, Alan Davies and Sally Phillips. (R) (S) (HD)

4.55 The Chase Celebrity Special
TV presenter Suzi Perry, Dr Mark Porter, actress Rosemarie Ford and music impresario Louis Walsh take on the Chaser. (R) (S) (HD)

6.00 In for a Penny
Stephen Mulhern hits the streets of Newcastle, where he hopes the locals will be keen to step up and play for a thousand pounds. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

6.25 ITV News Weather (S) (HD)

6.40 Regional News Weather (S) (HD)

7.00 Emmerdale
While Victoria goes into labour, most of the residents enjoy New Year celebrations, but Moira is full of self-hatred.
Writer Sue Mooney Cast pages 231/241
Repeated tomorrow 8.05am and 11.30am ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

7.30 Coronation Street
Abi confides in Eileen that she fancies Kevin, and Steve tries to get out of taking Tracy to a gig.
Writer Cameron McAllister Cast pp123/201 This week's episodes produced by Iain MacLeod, directed by Judith Dine and Michael Lacey Repeated tomorrow 8.40am and 12 noon ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Spectre ★★★
Spy adventure starring Daniel Craig and Christoph Waltz. After foiling a terrorist attack in Mexico City, James Bond picks up the trail of a secret organisation known as Spectre. He infiltrates one of their meetings in Rome, only to discover that his every move has been monitored by Spectre's mysterious leader, a man known as Franz Oberhauser. **Review page 90.**

James Bond	**Daniel Craig**	Hinx	**Dave Bautista**
Franz Oberhauser	**Christoph Waltz**	Lucia Sciarra	**Monica Bellucci**
Madeleine Swann	**Léa Seydoux**	Mr White	**Jesper Christensen**
M	**Ralph Fiennes**	Marco Sciarra	**Alessandro Cremona**
Q	**Ben Whishaw**	Tanner	**Rory Kinnear**
Moneypenny	**Naomie Harris**	Estrella	**Stephanie Sigman**
Max Denbigh/C	**Andrew Scott**		

Director Sam Mendes (2015, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

10.45 ITV News
Weather; Regional Weather (S) (HD)

11.00 Alan Carr's Celebrity Re-Play
Alan Carr and Angellica Bell are joined by six celebrities to look back at some of the biggest events of 2019, from Stormzy's headline set at Glastonbury to the Rugby World Cup and *RuPaul's Drag Race UK*. One celebrity pair will have the chance to win £25,000 for charity.
Shown yesterday 9pm (S) (AD) (HD)

11.55 Big Ben
The chimes of Big Ben ring in 2020. (S) (HD)

12.10am Uncle Buck ★★★ Comedy starring John Candy and Macaulay Culkin. Buck Russell is a fun-loving bachelor without a care in the world. He's also the world's greatest slob. So when he has to look after his sharp young nephew and nieces while their parents are away, anything could happen.
Director John Hughes (1989, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.50 Tenable Five family members compete in the quiz hosted by Warwick Davis. (R) (S) (HD)
2.40 Take Me Out Emergency Services Special Paddy McGuinness returns to help find 30 female singletons, all of whom work in the emergency services, a dream date on the Isle of Fernando's.
Shown Saturday 28 December 5.30pm (S) (HD)
3.30 Culinary Genius Gordon Ramsay tests the contestants' knife skills. (R) (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)
4.20–6.00am Nightscreen Text information. (HD)

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Channel 4



The Last Leg of the Year *9.00pm* A bristling Adam Hills looks back at some of the highs and lows of 2019

3.40pm Christmas Sales: Supershoppers Special
Sabrina Grant and Helen Skelton investigate the tricks that retailers use to get us to spend and reveal the best sales hacks. **See choice, p198.**
Shown yesterday 8pm (S) (AD) (HD)

4.45 Channel 4 News; Sport; Weather (S) (HD)

4.55 Robots ★★★
Animated comedy adventure from the directors of *Ice Age*, featuring the voices of Ewan McGregor and Robin Williams. In a world populated by robots, idealistic small-town android Rodney Copperbottom travels to the big city in search of employment with inventor Bigweld.
Directors Chris Wedge, Carlos Saldanha (2005, U) (S) (W) (HD)

6.30 Hollyoaks
Peri and Romeo give Tom romantic assistance.
Writer Gareth Lemon Cast pages 171/241 Shown yesterday 7pm E4 Rptd Thu 2 January 7am E4 Next episode follows on E4 (S) (AD) (HD)

7.00 Amazing Spaces: Northern Lights Adventure
George Clarke and Will Hardie explore Finland's hidden architectural gems. In the heart of the country they visit an iconic lodge on the edge of a frozen lake, before heading into the Arctic Circle in pursuit of the famous northern lights. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
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8.00 Escape to the Château at Christmas
8/8 *Series 6.* Dick and Angel prepare a traditional French Christmas for friends and family and some special guests at Château de la Motte-Husson. Aside from home-made treats, Angel makes some beautifully crafted Christmas items for all to enjoy. **See choice, page 111.**
Shown Sunday 22 December 9pm (S) (AD) (HD)
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9.00 The Last Leg of the Year
Adam Hills, Josh Widdicombe and Alex Brooker present a New Year's special, taking a look back at the highs and lows of 2019 in the company of celebrity guests, including Sue Perkins, Sara Pascoe, Tom Davis, Rosie Jones and racing driver Billy Monger. Johnny Vegas is on hand to staff the studio's bar, while house band the Horne Section provide the music. Alex Brooker takes on his most daring challenge to date when he trains to become a racing driver, aiming to become the first disabled person in history to complete a high-speed lap in a racing car at Donington Park. **See page 208.**
Series producer Cimran Shah; Exec producers Andrew Beint and Ben Knappett Repeated tomorrow 9pm 4seven (S) (HD)

11.05 Big Fat Quiz of the Year
Jimmy Carr hosts, with guests Richard Ayoade, Noel Fielding, Roisin Conaty, Maya Jama and Dara O Briain. *Big Fat Quiz of the Decade* is on Thursday 2 January 9pm. **See choice, page 159.**
Shown Boxing Day 9pm (S) (HD)

1.00am Dodgeball: a True Underdog Story ★★★ Sports comedy starring Vince Vaughn, Ben Stiller, Christine Taylor and Rip Torn.
Director Rawson Marshall Thurber (2004, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
2.35 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA Gordon visits an upmarket bistro in Lighthouse Point, Florida. (R) (S)
3.25 Come Dine with Me From Shropshire. (R) (S) (HD)
5.40–6.10am Extreme Cake Makers Bakers Phil and Christine take on a very unusual commission. (R) (S) (HD)

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BBC4



John Wilson Orchestra at BBC Proms *7.00pm* Louise Dearman lights up the stage

7.00pm John Wilson Orchestra at BBC Proms
John Wilson and his orchestra celebrate the golden age of Hollywood with a tribute to the movies of Warner Brothers. The programme features music from composers such as Erich Korngold, Frederick Loewe and Max Steiner, with pieces from big-screen classics including *My Fair Lady*, *Calamity Jane* and *A Streetcar Named Desire*. Among the performers are Louise Dearman, Mikaela Bennett, Kate Lindsey and Matthew Ford. Katie Derham presents. **See page 209.**
Director Bridget Caldwell
Producer Ian Russell (R) (S) (HD)

9.15 How Auld Lang Syne Took Over the World
Dougie Vipond examines how Robert Burns's 18th-century poem, traditionally sung on New Year's Eve, became one of Scotland's best-known musical exports. From Ayrshire to Tokyo, via New York City, he finds out how *Auld Lang Syne* has been adopted by different cultures, with commentary from well-known faces including Alan Cumming, Cliff Richard and Clare Grogan.
Producer Breid McLoone; Executive producer Eileen Herlihy First shown on BBC1 Scotland (S) (HD)

10.10 Vic and Bob's Big Night Out
1/4 *Series 2.* Judge Nutmeg dispenses punishment to an unsuspecting audience member, the Ghost Hunters are on the prowl and Bob takes viewers back to the 1980s.
10.40 ***2/4.*** Novelty Island makes a welcome return, there's a special rendition of *That's Magic* and Michael Portillo makes an appearance – as you've never seen him before.
11.10 ***3/4.*** The Man with the Stick returns and sketches include the Free Runners and Frank Roddam's latest inventions. Mulligan and O'Hare present their new album *Caravan Park*, while Vic discloses his secret to beatboxing.
11.40 ***4/4.*** Vic reveals his latest plastic surgery enhancement. Three acts battle it out in Novelty Island and Vaun tries to lure Vic away. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

12.10–3.10am Detectorists ***1/6*** *Series 1*
Comedy. Friends and metal-detecting enthusiasts Andy and Lance have a chance encounter with a history student.
12.40 ***2/6.*** Members of a rival club seem to already know about the location of King Sexred of the East Saxons, which leads the gang to believe they have a mole within their ranks.
1.10 ***3/6.*** Club president Terry believes Larry Bishop has buried his missing wife in a paddock on his farm, and helps search the area.
1.40 ***4/6.*** Terry announces that he is standing down as leader, unleashing a bitter winner-takes-all scramble for presidential power.
2.10 ***5/6.*** Even though Andy, Lance, Becky and Sophie are barely talking to each other, their secrets are on the verge of being revealed.
2.40 ***6/6.*** A huge hole has been excavated and police are looking into it. Meanwhile, Larry Bishop's invisible dogs have disappeared without trace. **See page 209.** (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

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Regional variations

BBC1 SCOTLAND
7.00pm Would I Lie to You at Christmas? **7.30** EastEnders **8.00** River City **9.00** Celebrity Mastermind **9.30** BBC News; Weather **9.50** Hogmanay: Des Clarke joins the crowds getting ready for the Hogmanay celebrations **10.00** Selling Scotland **11.00** Only an Excuse? **11.30** Hogmanay **12.30am** Kevin Bridges: the Brand New Tour **1.30** The Graham Norton Show **2.30** Weather for the Week Ahead **2.35–6.00** BBC News

BBC SCOTLAND
As BBC2 until:
7.00pm The Seven **7.15** Rewind 1990s **7.30** Emeli Sandé's Street Symphony **8.30** Roaming in the Wild: two friends set off for an adventure across Rannoch Moor **9.00** Susan Calman's Not Quite End of the Year Show **9.30** Still Game **10.00** Jim Smith Live from Perth **11.00** The State of It **11.30–12.30am** Hogmanay

STV
10.45pm STV News Review (S) (HD) **11.00** Hayman's Way (R) (S) (HD) **11.30** Sean's Very Scottish Hogmanay: with music from Mairi Campbell and Dougie MacLean (S) (HD) **12.20am** Alan Carr's Celebrity Re-Play (R) (S) (AD) (HD) **1.10 FILM:** Uncle Buck (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **2.45–6.00** Nightscreen (HD)

BBC2 WALES
6.00pm Epic: Party like It's 1999: a look back at how people across Wales marked the turn of the millennium **6.30–7.00** Mortimer and Whitehouse: Gone Fishing: Paul and Bob fish for pike

Channel 5 listings are overleaf

New Year's Eve

Channel 5 5



Mamma Mia! *2.50pm* Rosie, Donna and Tanya fondly remember the past

Freeview 5 **Freesat** 105 **Sky** 105 **Virgin** 105
HD **Freeview** 105 **Freesat** 105 **Virgin** 150

6.00am Milkshake! See page 215
9.10 Access Showbiz news. (S) (HD)
9.25 Friends *Series 9.* Everyone except Ross decides to play the lottery. (S) (HD)
9.55 Phoebe takes an opportunity to serenade a captive audience. (S) (HD)
10.25 Pan ★★★★ Fantasy comedy adventure starring Hugh Jackman, Rooney Mara and Levi Miller. Peter Pan is abducted to Neverland, where he must fulfil his destiny and fight Blackbeard.
Director Joe Wright (2015, PG) (S) (W) (HD)
12.40pm Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit ★★★ Musical comedy starring Whoopi Goldberg, who once again dons the habit to help save a run-down school.
Director Bill Duke (1993, PG) (S) (W) (HD)
2.50 Mamma Mia! ★★★★ Musical romantic comedy starring Meryl Streep. A young woman tries to discover the identity of her father on the eve of her wedding. **Review page 86.**
Director Phyllida Lloyd For cast see Saturday 28 December 8pm (2008, PG) (S) (W) (HD)
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5.00pm Calendar Girls ★★★★
Comedy drama starring Helen Mirren and Julie Walters. The members of a Women's Institute pose nude for a charity calendar. **Review page 90.**
Director Nigel Cole For cast see Saturday 28 December 10.15pm (2003, 12) (S) (W) (HD)

7.00 ***New.*** **World's Strongest Man**
Four-time champion Brian "the Colorado Colossus" Shaw is among the competitors in the fifth and final heat.
Repeated tomorrow 10.15am 5 Star (S) (HD)
Followed by **5 News Update** (S) (HD)

8.00 ***New.*** **Jane and Friends**
2/4 *Series 3.* Jane celebrates the imminent new year in song with Tony Christie, Lighthouse Family, Heather Small and Chesney Hawkes. (S) (HD)
Followed by **5 News Update** (S) (HD)

9.00 New Year's Eve ★★
Ensemble romantic comedy. In New York, a disparate group of people prepare to ring in the new year. But while some are looking forward to a big night, not everyone is in the party mood.

Stan	**Robert De Niro**
Randy	**Ashton Kutcher**
Ingrid	**Michelle Pfeiffer**
Nurse Aimee	**Halle Berry**
Kim	**Sarah Jessica Parker**

Director Garry Marshall (2011, 12) (S) (W) (HD)

11.20 When Live News Goes Horribly Wrong
Moira Stuart narrates a survey of times when news broadcasts made the headlines.
Executive producers Elaine Hackett, Jason Wells and Simon Withington (S) (HD)

1.50am ***New.*** Casino (S) (HD) **3.50** Autopsy (S) (HD) **4.40** The Last Days of John Belushi (S) (HD) **5.30** Access (S) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** House Doctor (S) (SL)

+1 **Freeview** 44 **Freesat** 128 **Sky** 205 **Virgin** 155

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BBC4 listings are overleaf

ITV2 6



Bridesmaids *9.00pm* Annie receives words of wisdom from Officer Rhodes

F'view 6 **F'sat** 113 **Sky** 118 **Virgin** 115 **HD** **Virgin** 176

6.00am I'm a Celebrity...Legends of the Jungle (S) (HD) **6.50** The Boxer and the Ballroom Dancer (S) (AD) (HD) **7.45** Emmerdale (S) (AD) (HD) **8.15** Coronation Street (S) (AD) (HD) **9.15** Catchphrase (S) (HD) **9.55** I'm a Celebrity...Jungle Fever (S) (HD) **10.55** Take Me Out 80s Special (S) (HD) **11.55** Emmerdale
Shown yesterday 7pm ITV (S) (AD) (HD)
12.30pm Coronation Street Shown yesterday 7.30/8.30pm ITV (S) (AD) (HD) **1.30** Celebrity Catchphrase (S) (HD) **2.30** You've Been Framed! Gold (S) (HD) **2.55 FILM** The Flintstones in Viva Rock Vegas ★★★ Comedy starring Mark Addy (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **4.45 FILM** Space Jam ★★★ Fantasy comedy starring Michael Jordan (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

6.25pm Jurassic Park ★★★★★
Adventure starring Sam Neill, Laura Dern, Jeff Goldblum and Richard Attenborough. A group of people become trapped on an island populated by genetically re-created dinosaurs. **Review page 83.**
Director Steven Spielberg (1993, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

9.00 Bridesmaids ★★★★★
Comedy. When Lillian announces her engagement, she can't wait to share the happiest day of her life with her girlfriends. But plans for the bachelorette party descend into chaos. **Review p90.**

Annie	**Kristen Wiig**
Helen	**Rose Byrne**
Lillian	**Maya Rudolph**
Megan	**Melissa McCarthy**
Officer Rhodes	**Chris O'Dowd**

Director Paul Feig (2011, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.35 Family Guy
Series 15. Peter's past as a sperm donor catches up with him. (S) (AD) (HD)
12 midnight Peter and Lois decide not to vaccinate Stewie. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.30am American Dad! (S) (AD) (HD) **1.20** Celebrity Juice: Trapped and Alone (S) (HD) **2.20 FILM** Trainwreck ★★★★ Comedy (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **4.30** BGT: Top Ten Crown Jewels (S) (HD) **5.25** The Planet's Funniest Animals (S) **5.45–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITV2+1 **Freeview** 27 **Freesat** 114 **Sky** 218 **Virgin** 116

ITV3 10



Agatha Christie's Poirot *5.55pm* A wealthy heiress is posioned

F'view 10 **F'sat** 115 **Sky** 119 **Virgin** 117 **HD** **Virgin** 177

6.00am The Royal (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00 FILM** Carry On Girls ★★ Comedy starring Sidney James (S) (AD) (W) **8.45 FILM** Holiday on the Buses ★ Comedy starring Reg Varney (S) (AD) (W) **10.25 FILM** Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory ★★★★ Musical fantasy starring Gene Wilder (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
12.25pm FILM Carry On Again Doctor ★★★★ Comedy starring Kenneth Williams, Jim Dale and Sidney James (S) (AD) (W)
2.05 FILM Carry On Up the Jungle ★★★ Comedy starring Frankie Howerd (S) (AD)

3.50pm Agatha Christie's Marple
A Murder Is Announced. Is it just a game when the local newspaper announces a murder will take place at the home of Lettie Blackstock at 6.30pm that evening? Curious villagers gather and suddenly the lights go out. Three gun shots are fired and Lettie is injured. Zoe Wanamaker and Elaine Paige guest-star. (S) (HD)

5.55 Agatha Christie's Poirot
Dumb Witness. When wealthy heiress Emily Arundel is poisoned, Poirot realises the only witness to the crime is her pet dog, Bob. Guest-starring Kate Buffery, Patrick Ryecart and Julia St John. (S) (HD)

8.00 Vera
3/4 *Series 8.* **Home.** Quiet life in suburbia takes a dark turn when a woman is found murdered in her garden. DCI Vera Stanhope discovers that the neighbours aren't all they seem, and buried secrets are unearthed as the hunt for the killer is widened. Rita Tushingham guest-stars. (S) (AD) (HD)
10.00 ***4/4.*** **Darkwater.** A teenage boy is found dead in a reservoir near a remote rural town. Vera takes on the case, uncovering a complex web of relationships between the victim's friends and family, with many dark secrets that could have driven someone to kill. (S) (AD) (HD)
12 midnight A Touch of Frost (S) (AD)
1.55am Inspector Morse: double bill (S) (HD)
5.45–6.00am Nightscreen

+1 **F'view** 34 *(9pm–midnight)* **F'sat** 116 **Sky** 219 **Virgin** 174

Drama 20



Oliver Twist *2.20pm* The orphan (William Miller) runs away to London

Freeview 20 **Freesat** 158 **Sky** 143 **Virgin** 130

7.10am The House of Eliott (S) **8.00** Soldier Soldier (S) **9.00** The Bill (S) **10.00** Classic Holby City **11.00** Classic Casualty
12 noon The Bill (S) **1.00pm** Classic EastEnders

2.20pm Oliver Twist
1/2. Dickens's classic tale, starring Timothy Spall as Fagin. After being sold to an undertaker, young orphan Oliver Twist runs away to London. (S) (AD)
4.20 ***2/2.*** Sikes escapes back to London with a badly wounded Oliver. Nancy starts to nurse him back to health, but is horrified to hear of Monks's intentions for the boy. (S) (AD)

6.15 Last of the Summer Wine
Compo and Clegg meet a tramp with a peculiar interest in donkeys in this Christmas special from 1987. (S)

8.00 Father Brown
11/15 *Series 3.* **The Time Machine**
The priest meets an inventor who comes up with an incredible way of solving his father's murder a year earlier – by travelling back in time. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Death in Paradise
3/8 *Series 6.* **The Impossible Murder**
Humphrey and Martha plan a romantic weekend at the remote Hotel Cecile, but their getaway is disrupted by the murder of the hotel owner. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.15 New Tricks
2/10 *Series 11.* **Tender Loving Care.** The contrasting worlds of public and private medicine are probed by the team as they investigate the unsolved death of a brilliant young doctor. On the home front, Danny Griffin is left feeling bereft when his daughter leaves for university. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.35 Taggart
1/3 *Series 1.* **Killer.** With a strangler targeting young women in Glasgow, a tough local cop is put on the case. (S)
2.25–4.00am New Tricks (S) (AD) (HD)

Drama +1 **Sky** 243 **Virgin** 226

ITV4 24

F'view 24 **F'sat** 117 **Sky** 120 **Virgin** 118 **HD** **Virgin** 178

6.00am The Protectors (S) **6.25** The Saint (S) **7.20** Kojak (S) (SL) (HD) **8.15** Quincy (S) (HD) **9.20** Minder (S) (AD) **10.25** The Sweeney (S) **11.30** The Professionals (S) (AD)
12.35pm Columbo: Undercover (S) (AD) (HD)
2.35 FILM Spartacus ★★★★★ Historical epic. **Review page 80.** (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
6.25pm FILM The Sting ★★★★★ Period crime caper starring Paul Newman and Robert Redford. Two conmen plan an elaborate racing scam. **Review p90.** (S) (W) (HD)
9.00 FILM Under Siege 2 ★★ Action thriller starring Steven Seagal. A former Navy SEAL must dispatch various villains when they hijack a train. (S) (W) (HD)
11.10 FILM Executive Decision ★★★ Action thriller starring Kurt Russell and Steven Seagal. When terrorists hijack a 747, a special forces team must board the plane to prevent the release of a deadly toxin. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
1.50am Speed Freaks (S) (HD) **2.50** Football Genius (S) (HD) **3.15** The Professionals (S) (SL) (AD) **4.10** Nightscreen (HD) **4.15** Minder (S) (SL) (AD) **5.05–6.00am** The Sweeney (S)

ITV4 +1 **Freesat** 154 **Sky** 220 **Virgin** 175

ITVBe 26

F'view 26 **F'sat** 118 **Sky** 131 **Virgin** 119 **HD** **Virgin** 179

6.00am The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills: triple bill (S) (HD) **8.35** Income Property (S) (HD) **9.00** LittleBe (HD)
12 noon Cake Wars (HD) **12.55pm** Celebrity Dinner Date (S) (AD) (HD) **1.55** The Real Housewives of Cheshire (S) (HD)
6.00pm The Real Housewives of Cheshire Dawn returns with devastating news, while Perla has a shocking revelation. (S) (HD)
7.00 Ester's newest friend causes a stir and Dawn releases her inner diva. (S) (HD)
8.00 Celebrity Dinner Date Ester Dee goes on three blind dates. (S) (AD) (HD)
9.00 Botched Terry Dubrow operates on a mother-of-three who has saggy breasts after undergoing botched surgery. (S) (AD) (HD)
10.00 Botched: Most Outrageous Rejects A top ten countdown. (S) (AD) (HD)
10.30 Totally Unbelievable A countdown of the most inspiring celebrity bodies. (S) (HD)
11.30 Celebrity bust-ups. (S) (HD)
12.35am Vanderpump Rules (S) (HD) **2.05** Bachelor in Paradise (HD) **2.50** The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills (S) (HD) **5.45–6.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITVBe +1 **Freesat** 119 **Sky** 231 **Virgin** 120

Dave 19

F'view 19 **F'sat** 157 **Sky** 111 **Virgin** 127 **HD** **Virgin** 227 **BT** 387

7.25am Modern Wheels or Classic Steals (S) (HD) **8.20** Soapbox Race (HD) **9.20** Eddie Eats America: double bill (HD) **10.20** American Pickers: Best Of: double bill (S) (HD)
12.20pm Soapbox Race (HD) **1.20** Gavin & Stacey: seven episodes (S) (AD) (HD)
6.00pm Soapbox Race From Brussels. (HD)
7.00 Highlights of the offbeat event. (HD)
8.00 Not Going Out ***5/7*** *Series 9.* Lee and Lucy cancel dinner with Toby and Anna.
8.40 ***6/7.*** The school lollipop man gets on the wrong side of Lee and Lucy.
9.20 ***7/7.*** Lucy considers having a boob job, believing it will help her regain her youth.
10.00 Not Going Out Live Lee and Lucy organise a Christmas variety show. (HD)
10.40 Would I Lie to You? With Rhod Gilbert, Sally Phillips, Des O'Connor and Tess Daly. (S) (HD)
11.20 Mock the Week With guests James Acaster, Angela Barnes, Kerry Godliman, Nish Kumar and Glenn Moore. (S) (HD)
12 midnight Have I Got a Bit More News for You: extended edition (S) (HD) **1.00am** QI XL (S) (HD)
2.00–4.00am Not Going Out (S) (HD)

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Sarah Millican: Home Bird Live
9.00pm Stand-up from Newcastle

F'view 18 F'sat 124 Sky 136 Virgin 147 HD Virgin 195

8.55am Come Dine with Me: in Cambridge (S) (HD) **11.40** Four in a Bed: five editions (S) (HD) **2.15pm** Escape to the Château (S) (AD) (HD)

5.30pm The Longest Day ★★★★
Second World War drama starring John Wayne and Robert Mitchum. Normandy, 6 June 1944: as the task of preparing for D-Day draws to a close, the Allies await suitable weather conditions to set in motion history's greatest amphibious operation.
Directors Andrew Marton, Ken Annakin and Bernhard Wicki (1962, PG) (BW) (S) (W) (HD)

9.00 Sarah Millican: Home Bird Live
Stand-up show recorded at Newcastle's Tyne Theatre & Opera House in 2014. (S) (HD)

10.05 Sarah Millican: Thoroughly Modern Millican Live
Anecdotes on life's humdrum curiosities in a show from 2012. (S) (HD)

11.10 Father Ted
8/10 Series 2. The priest makes a valiant effort to give up cigarettes for Lent. (S) (AD)
11.40 *9/10.* Father Jack is hauled off to the local old priests' home. (S) (AD)
12.15am Father Ted (S) (AD) **2.25** Eight out of Ten Cats Does Countdown (S) (HD)
3.30–3.55am Father Ted (S) (AD)

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6.00am Hollyoaks Shown Fri 27 Dec 6.30pm/yesterday 6pm C4 (AD) **7.30** Celebrity Come Dine with Me **8.00** How I Met Your Mother (AD) **9.00** Mike & Molly **10.00** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **11.00** The Goldbergs (AD)
12 noon Brooklyn Nine-Nine (AD) **1.00pm** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **5.00 FILM** How to Train Your Dragon ★★★★ Animated comedy adventure. **Review p80** (AD) (W)
7.00pm ***New.*** **Hollyoaks** John Paul returns. Cast pp171/241 Rptd Thu 2 Jan 6.30pm C4 (AD)
7.30 The Tiger Who Came to Tea Hand-drawn animated version of Judith Kerr's much-loved tale. **See choice, page 130.** (AD)
8.00 The Great Christmas Bake Off With Noel Fielding and Sandi Toksvig. **See choice, page 141.** Shown Christmas Day 7.10pm C4 (AD)
9.20 FILM The Inbetweeners Movie ★★★ Comedy based on the TV series, starring Simon Bird and Joe Thomas. (AD) (W)
11.20 The Inbetweeners *1/6 Series 1.* Will's private-school ways do not go down well. (AD)
11.50 *2/6.* The four lads play truant. (AD)
12.25am The Inbetweeners: four further episodes (SL) (AD) **2.35** What a F****** Year on TV with Mel B and Mel B **3.55** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **4.45–6.00am** How I Met Your Mother (AD)

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9.00am A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun **11.00** A Place in the Sun: Summer Sun **12 noon** A Place in the Sun **12.30pm** Come Dine with Me **4.45 FILM** Home Alone 2: Lost in New York ★★★ **5.15** A Place in the Sun **7.00** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **8.00** The Secret Life of the Zoo at Christmas Shown Sunday 29 December 7pm C4 (AD) **9.00** Eight out of Ten Cats Does Countdown **10.00** Kylie's Secret Night Shown Christmas Day 10.30pm C4 (AD) **11.35** Kylie's Golden Tour Shown Christmas Day 12 midnight C4 (AD) **12.40am** Gogglesprogs at Christmas (AD) **1.40** Richard Osman's World Cup of the Decade (AD) **3.15–5.00am** John and Yoko: Above Us Only Sky (AD)

Paramount Network 54



The Hundred-Foot Journey *11.30pm*
Madame Mallory keeps smiling

F'view 54 F'sat 132 Sky 153 Virgin 188 HD Virgin 187

9.00am Access (S) (HD) **9.10** The Office US (HD) **9.40** Now That's Funny! (S) (HD) **11.50 FILM** Christmas Joy ★★ Romance (HD)
1.35pm FILM Christmas Bells Are Ringing ★★ Romantic comedy (HD) **3.25 FILM** A Very Nutty Christmas ★★ Comedy fantasy (HD) **5.15 FILM** The Christmas Train ★★★ Romantic drama with Dermot Mulroney (HD)

7.10pm Christmas at Pemberley Manor
★★ Romantic drama starring Jessica Lowndes and Michael Rady.
Director Colin Theys (2018) (HD)

9.00 Moulin Rouge! ★★★★
Musical romantic drama starring Nicole Kidman and Ewan McGregor. Montmartre, 1899: Christian, a young Englishman, arrives in Paris with ambitions to become a writer. **Review p77.**
Director Baz Luhrmann (2001, 12) (HD)

11.30 The Hundred-Foot Journey
★★★ Comedy drama starring Helen Mirren, Manish Dayal and Om Puri. The Kadam family open an Indian restaurant in rural France.
Director Lasse Hallström (2014, PG) (HD)

1.55am Sleepy Hollow: triple bill (HD) **4.35** The Office US **5.00** Dogs Make You Laugh Out Loud (S) (HD) **5.30** Access (S) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** The Office US (HD)

Pick 11

Freeview 11 Freesat 144 Sky 152 Virgin 165

7.00am Caught Red Handed **9.00** Paramedics **2.00pm** Air Ambulance ER: five editions **7.00** Golf's Funniest Moments (AD) **8.00** Rugby's Funniest Moments: footage of unexpected events on the international and domestic scene (AD) **9.00** Football's Funniest Moments: comical incidents from the Premier League, featuring interviews with players, pundits and comedians (AD) **10.00** Micky Flanagan's Out Out Tour: including routines about "chicken children", the art of chatting up women, America, and ketchup **12 midnight** Brit Cops: Law & Disorder: double bill **2.00am** Brit Cops: War on Crime **4.00** Road Wars **5.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol

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Sony Channel 48

Freeview 48 *(limited)* Freesat 142 Sky 157 Virgin 189

6.00am The Waltons **7.00** The Persuaders! **9.00** M*A*S*H **11.30** M*A*S*H: Reunion Special **1.15pm** Memories of M*A*S*H: cast and crew reflect on the comedy **2.40** M*A*S*H **3.10** M*A*S*H Finale: Goodbye, Farewell, Amen **5.30** M*A*S*H **9.00pm** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? **12 midnight** M*A*S*H **2.00am** The Persuaders! **3.00** M*A*S*H **3.30** The Waltons **4.20** Touched by an Angel **5.10–6.00am** Highway to Heaven

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Horror Channel 70

Freeview 70 Freesat 138 Sky 317 Virgin 149

8.00am seaQuest DSV **9.00** Star Trek: Voyager **10.00** Star Trek **11.00** Impact **2.50pm** Highlights **3.00** Sliders **4.00 FILM** Doomwatch ★★ Mystery thriller **5.50** Highlights **6.00pm** Star Trek **7.00** Star Trek: Voyager **8.00** Mutant X **9.00 FILM** Village of the Damned ★★ Science-fiction horror, an updated version of the classic British chiller, starring Christopher Reeve and Kirstie Alley **10.55 FILM** The Possession ★★★ Horror thriller starring Jeffrey Dean Morgan and Kyra Sedgwick **12.45am FILM** The Green Inferno ★★★ Horror **2.45–4.30am FILM** Quarantine ★★★ Horror

5 USA 21

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9.00am Criminals: Caught on Camera **9.20** CSI: NY (S) **12.50pm** CSI: Miami (S) **1.45** Columbo: the Greenhouse Jungle (S) (AD) **3.20** Columbo: Make Me a Perfect Murder (S) **5.25** Columbo: How to Dial a Murder (S) (AD) **7.05pm** Jesse Stone: Night Passage (S) (HD) **9.00** NCIS *Series 10.* Ziva's father turns up unannounced (S) **10.40** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit *Series 17.* Double bill. A violinist claims to have been raped by a colleague, then scandal rocks a reality show when a 13-year-old star becomes pregnant (S) (AD) **12.35am** CSI: Miami (S) **1.35** Longmire (S) **2.50** CSI: Miami (S) (AD) **3.50–4.00am** Access

5 USA +1 F'view 57 (not 2-4am) F'sat 130 Sky 241 Virgin 185

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Freeview 30 Freesat 131 Sky 128 Virgin 151

8.00am Access (S) (HD) **8.10** Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away (S) (HD) **8.55** Strongman (S) (HD) **12.50pm FILM** Wild Wild West ★★ Western adventure based on the 1960s TV series, starring Will Smith and Kevin Kline (S) (HD) **3.00 FILM** Ace Ventura: Pet Detective ★★★★ Comedy starring Jim Carrey (S) (AD) **4.45 FILM** Johnny English ★★ Comedy adventure starring Rowan Atkinson (HD) **6.35pm FILM** The Intern ★★★ Comedy starring Robert De Niro and Anne Hathaway (HD) **9.00 FILM** The Internship ★★ Comedy starring Owen Wilson and Vince Vaughn (S) (AD) (HD) **11.25 FILM** Carrie ★★★ Horror remake starring Chloë Grace Moretz and Julianne Moore (S) (AD) (HD) **1.30am** Embarrassing Sex Story of the Year (S) (HD) **3.00–4.00am** Wentworth Prison (S) (AD) (HD)

5 Star +1 Freeview 56 Sky 228 Virgin 186

5 Spike 31

Freeview 31 Freesat 141 Sky 150 Virgin 154

9.00am Access (HD) **9.10** Police Interceptors (HD) **10.10** Traffic Cops (HD) **11.10** Trucking Hell: six editions (HD) **5.20pm FILM** Dances with Wolves ★★★★★ Oscar-winning epic western starring Kevin Costner. English, Sioux +subtitles. **Review page 80** (HD) **9.00 P FILM** 24 Hours to Live ★★ Sci-fi thriller starring Ethan Hawke. An assassin is given 24 hours to live following a botched mission (HD) **10.55 FILM** 44 Inch Chest ★★★ Revenge drama starring Ray Winstone (HD) **12.50am** The Virginian: Men from Shiloh (HD) **2.30–3.00am** Criminals: Caught on Camera (HD)

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9.00am Access (S) **9.05** In Sickness and in Wealth: on Benefits (S) **9.55 FILM** The Texican ★★ Western starring Audie Murphy (W) **11.40 FILM** The African Queen ★★★★★ Romantic adventure. **Review page 71** (S) (W) **2.00pm** Cruising with Jane McDonald (S) **6.50 FILM** Calendar Girls ★★★★ Comedy drama starring Helen Mirren. **Review p90** (S) (W) **9.00 FILM** The Hand That Rocks the Cradle ★★★★ Thriller (S) (W) **11.20** When Award Shows Go Horribly Wrong (S) **2.25am** 101 Events That Made the 21st Century (S) **3.25** Criminals: Caught on Camera (S) **3.55–4.00am** Access (S)

CBS Justice 39

Freeview 39 Freesat 137 Sky 148 Virgin 192

9.00am Diagnosis Murder **11.00** Matlock **12 noon** Perry Mason **1.05pm** Walker, Texas Ranger **2.05** CSI: Miami **3.00** NCIS **5.00** Matlock **6.00pm** Perry Mason **7.05** NCIS **8.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **9.00** CSI: NY: a bride dies moments before her wedding **10.00** NCIS **12 midnight** CSI: Miami **1.00am** CSI: NY **2.00** Gunsmoke **3.05** Bonanza **4.50–6.00am** Mission: Impossible

CBS Drama 71

Freeview 71 Freesat 134 Sky 147 Virgin 197

9.00am Medium **10.00** ER **11.00** The Love Boat **12 noon** Judge Judy **1.00pm** Bonanza **3.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **4.00** Unsolved Mysteries **6.00pm** The Love Boat **7.00** JAG **8.00** Judge Judy **9.00** Medium: Allison dreams about a boy kidnapped from a toy shop **10.00** JAG **11.00** The Love Boat **12 midnight** Judge Judy **1.00am** ER **2.00** Medium **3.00** JAG **4.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **5.00–6.00am** Matlock

Listings for **PBS America**, **Smithsonian** see over. **Film4** and other **Freeview movie** channels: **p216**

Yesterday 25

Freeview 25 Freesat 159 Sky 155 Virgin 129

6.00am WW2 Price of Empire (S) (HD) **8.00** Auschwitz: the Nazis and the Final Solution (S) **11.00** The Blue Planet (S) (AD) **7.00pm** Underground Worlds: underground bases built by the German army in Jersey (S) (HD) **8.00** Abandoned Engineering: a mountain-top villa on the island of Rhodes (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Bangers and Cash: a customer considers a Morris Marina as a Christmas present for his wife (S) (HD) **10.00** Secrets of the Railways: railroads associated with ugly deeds (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Steam Train Britain (S) (AD) (HD) **12 midnight** War Factories (S) (HD) **1.00am** Royals on the Frontline (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00–3.00am** WW2 Price of Empire (S) (HD)

Yesterday +1 Sky 255 Virgin 200

Really 17

Freeview 17 Freesat 160 Sky 142 Virgin 128

6.00am Fantasy Homes by the Sea (HD) **7.00** Home Shopping **8.00** Escape to the Country (HD) **7.00pm** Antiques Road Trip: double bill. Philip Serrell and Tom Scott begin their journey in Lostwithiel, Cornwall, then they head to an auction in Chudleigh, Devon (HD) **9.00** Helicopter ER: a mum-to-be goes into labour in a lay-by and paramedics Sammy and Tyrone act as midwives (HD) **10.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad: CS gas is used to stop a crazed axeman (HD) **11.00** Ghost Adventures: a former military installation haunted by an aggressive entity (HD) **1.00am** Help! My House Is Haunted (HD) **2.00** Home Shopping **4.00–6.00am** Antiques Road Trip (HD)

Home 42

Freeview 42 Freesat 166 Sky 158 Virgin 279

7.00am DIY SOS at Great Ormond Street Hospital (HD) **8.00** DIY SOS: Homes for Veterans (HD) **10.00** DIY SOS: the Big Build (HD) **11.00** DIY SOS: Million Pound Build for Children in Need (HD) **12 noon** DIY SOS: the Big Build (HD) **2.00pm** as 10pm **3.00** DIY SOS: Homes for Veterans (HD) **5.00** DIY SOS: the Big Build (HD) **6.00** DIY SOS: Million Pound Build for Children in Need (HD) **7.00** DIY SOS: the Big Build (HD) **9.00** DIY SOS at Great Ormond Street Hospital (HD) **10.00** DIY SOS: Homes for Veterans (HD) **12 midnight** DIY SOS: the Big Build (HD) **1.00am** as 6pm **2.00–4.00am** DIY SOS: the Big Build (HD)

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Quest 12

F'view 12 F'sat 172 Sky 144 Virgin 169 HD F'view 114 F'sat 167

6.00am Demolition Man (HD) **9.00** Combat Dealers (AD) (HD) **7.00pm** Explosions Gone Wrong: experts examine the science behind big blasts and suggest how they can be prevented (HD) **8.00** Salvage Hunters: Drew Pritchard visits an amazing collection of wicker in the Somerset levels (HD) **9.00** Border Control: Spain: double bill. The Security and Customs Services at the borders of Spain (HD) **10.00** FBI's Ten Most Wanted: the origin of the famous list which has included the train robber Tommy Holden and kidnapper Ruth Eisemann (HD) **12 midnight** Extreme Drug Smuggling: the radical techniques used by drug smugglers **1.00am** Chasing Classic Cars (HD) **2.00** Wheels That Fail (HD) **3.00** Destroyed in Seconds **4.00** Swamp Loggers (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Overhaulin'

Quest +1 F'view 76 (7pm-4am) F'sat 168 Sky 244 Virgin 213

Challenge 46

Freeview 46 Freesat 146 Sky 151 Virgin 164

7.00am Bruce's Price Is Right **12 noon** The Chase **4.00pm** The Chase Celebrity Special: two editions. **6.00** The Chase Celebrity Special: triple bill. With Matthew Wright, Suzi Perry, Ian "H" Watkins and Crissy Rock **7.00** With Russell Watson, Rita Simons, Bill Oddie and Denise Welch **8.00** With Nicholas Owen, Laila Rouass, Vanessa Feltz and Tim Vine (AD) **9.00** The Chase **10.00** Bullseye **4.30–6.00am** Winter Wipeout

Challenge +1 Freesat 147 Sky 251 Virgin 230

BBC Parliament 232

Freeview 232 Freesat 201 Sky 504 Virgin 605

6.00am Prime Properties **6.10** Lecture **6.40** Highlights **7.40** BOOKtalk **7.55** Reflections **8.25** Highlights **9.25** BOOKtalk **9.40** Lecture **10.10** European Parliament **11.10** Properties **11.20** Awards **11.45** Reflections **12.15pm** BOOKtalk **12.30** Scottish FMQs **1.15** Bercow **1.45** Lecture **2.15** Highlights **3.15** BOOKtalk **3.30** Properties **3.40** Reflections **4.10** Highlights **5.10** Booktalk **5.25** Lecture **5.55** Welsh FMQs **6.55** BOOKtalk **7.10** Reflections **7.40** Highlights **8.40** BOOKtalk **8.55** Lecture **9.25** Highlights **10.25** BOOKtalk **10.40** Reflections **11.10** Highlights **11.40** Mayor's Question Time **12.40–6.00am** Highlights

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Coldplay: Live in Sao Paulo *8.00pm* Chris Martin

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6.00am Futurama (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Modern Family (S) (HD) **8.00** The Dog Whisperer (HD) **9.00** The Simpsons (S) (HD) **11.00** TV's Greatest Gameshows (HD) **1.00pm** Cricket's Funniest Moments (S) (HD) **2.00** Rugby's Funniest Moments (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** Premier League's Greatest Moments (S) (HD) **5.00** The Simpsons: double bill (S) (HD) **5.55** Futurama (S) (AD) (HD)

6.20pm The Simpsons An accident at work leaves Homer in a cast and in a position to sue Mr Burns. (S) (HD)

6.45 Take That: Odyssey – Greatest Hits Live A concert by the pop band at Cardiff's Principality Stadium. (HD)

8.00 Coldplay: Live in Sao Paulo A concert from November 2017. (HD)

10.20 Queen: Live at Wembley A performance from 1986. (S)

11.45 New Year Fireworks Live See in 2020 with a bang with London's spectacular New Year's fireworks display. (HD)

12.15am Oasis: Ten Years of Noise and Confusion (S) **1.30** Queen – Hungarian Rhapsody: Live in Budapest (S) (HD) **3.30** Isle of Wight Festival (S) (HD) **4.30** Road Wars (S) **5.00–6.00am** Snake Boss: double bill (S) (HD)

Sky 1 +1 **Sky** 206



Ray Donovan *9.00pm* Can Ray move on from the past?

Sky Atlantic

Sky 108

6.00am Attenborough at 90: behind the Lens (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Fish Town (S) (HD) **8.00** Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** The West Wing (S) (HD) **12 noon** Without a Trace (S) (HD) **2.00pm** Blue Bloods (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** The West Wing (S) (HD) **5.00** Without a Trace: double bill (HD)

7.00 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation *23/23 Series 3* A gun battle during a robbery ends in tragedy for the team. (S) (HD)

8.00 Blue Bloods *3/22 Series 5* Danny and Baez are caught in the middle of office politics. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **Ray Donovan** *7/10 Series 7.* Mickey finally learns the truth about the heist and wants to get his hands on the money. (HD)

10.10 Game of Thrones *4/6 Series 8.* After the Battle of Winterfell, Jon and Daenerys look to the south. (S) (AD) (HD) **11.40** *5/6.* Daenerys brings her forces to King's Landing as the explosive final battle for the Iron Throne begins. (S) (AD) (HD)

1.10am Ray Donovan (HD) **2.20** Nurse Jackie (S) (HD) **2.55** Life Itself: Special (HD) **3.10** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **4.00–6.00am** The West Wing: double bill (S) (HD)

Sky Atlantic +1 **Sky** 208



Law & Order: Special Victims Unit *10.00pm*

Sky Witness

Sky 107 **Virgin** 112 **HD** **Virgin** 111

6.00am Nothing to Declare (S) (AD) **8.00** Sun, Sea and A&E (S) (AD) **9.00** Air Ambulance ER (S) (HD)

2.00pm Nothing to Declare Twelve editions following the lives of customs officers in Australia. (S)

8.00 Criminal Minds *9/22 Series 13.* When two members of a conspiracy group in Roswell, New Mexico, die in quick succession, the BAU is called to investigate. (S) (HD) **9.00** *2/24 Series 9.* The agents hold a delusional man in custody for multiple murders, but the discovery of the suspect's doppelganger forces a major re-evaluation of the case. (S) (HD)

10.00 ***New.*** **Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** *Ep 4 Series 21* Rollins comes to blows with the parents of a 13-year-old who ran away and a lawyer tries to get the team arrested over her case. (HD) **11.00** *23/23 Series 13.* A woman is found murdered at a party in a penthouse apartment and the detectives discover prominent figures were in attendance. (HD)

12 midnight CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **1.00am** 9-1-1 (S) (HD) **2.00** Station 19 (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** Sun, Sea and A&E (S) **4.00–6.00am** Nothing to Declare: two editions (S)

Sky Witness +1 **Sky** 207 **Virgin** 180



Inside the Ambulance *8.00pm* Paramedics Ollie and V

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Sky 109 **Virgin** 125 **BT** 311 **HD** **Virgin** 211 **BT** 383

6.10am Doctor Who (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Dynamo: Magician Impossible (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** The Bill (S) (HD) **11.00** Inside the Ambulance (S) (HD)

6.00pm Inside the Ambulance A baby has breathing problems. **7.00** A patient who fears he's having his third heart attack. **8.00** Paramedics treat a man with epilepsy and a lady who needs to take her medication. (S) (HD)

9.00 Kill Bill Vol 2 ★★★ The concluding part of Quentin Tarantino's bloody martial arts drama, starring Uma Thurman. The Bride tracks down the remaining members of the Deadly Vipers assassin squad that left her for dead, before finally coming face to face with their infamous leader Bill. English, Japanese, Mandarin +subtitles. (S) (W) (HD)

11.50 Gavin & Stacey Gavin starts his job in Cardiff and Smithy has to come to terms with not living near his best friend. (S) (AD) (HD) **12.30am** Stacey is on the lookout for a new job, but will Gavin stick to his promise? (S) (AD) (HD)

1.05 John Bishop in Conversation with Professor Brian Cox (S) (HD) **1.55–3.00am** John Bishop in Conversation with Jeremy Corbyn: with the Labour Party leader (S) (HD)

W +1 **Sky** 209 **Virgin** 190



Live at the Apollo *11.00pm* Shappi, Kevin and Jack

Gold

Sky 110 **Virgin** 124 **BT** 310

7.20am A Sharp Intake of Breath **8.20** The Story of Only Fools and Horses (S) (AD) (HD) **9.20** Only Fools and Horses (S) (AD)

5.20pm Only Fools and Horses Del embarks on a new romance with Raquel, an actress he meets through a computer-dating agency. Feature-length Christmas special from 1988. (S) (AD) **7.10** The Trotter brothers go on a lads' day out to Margate, but things do not turn out as expected, and they end up stranded in the seaside town overnight. Christmas special from 1989. (S) (AD)

9.00 Dial M for Middlesbrough Johnny Vegas and Sian Gibson return to lead an all-star cast, this time at a sinister and dilapidated caravan park, where they take refuge after their coach breaks down. (AD) (HD)

11.00 Live at the Apollo Kevin Bridges presents a non-stop comedy bill featuring guest performances by Shappi Khorsandi and Jack Whitehall. (S) (HD)

12 midnight Little Britain: double bill. Kenny Craig finds a girlfriend, then Lou and Andy go to the beach (S) (AD) **1.15am** Live at the Apollo (S) (HD) **2.10** Citizen Khan (S) (AD) (HD) **3.10–4.00am** Harry Hill's TV Burp

Gold +1 **Sky** 210 **Virgin** 194

Sky Arts

Sky 122 **Virgin** 123 **HD** **Virgin** 156

6.00am Hollywood In Vienna: the World of Hans Zimmer (HD) **7.55** André Rieu: New Year's Eve Punch (HD) **10.05** Dinner for One (BW) (S) (W) **10.25** Shania Twain: Still the One – Live in Las Vegas (S) (HD) **12.25pm** Sinatra and Friends (S) (HD) **1.25** Dinner for One (BW) (S) (W) **1.45** Take That: Odyssey – Greatest Hits Live (HD) **3.00** Queen – Hungarian Rhapsody: Live in Budapest (S) (HD) **5.00** Bee Gees: One Night Only: the Gibb brothers perform their greatest hits at the MGM Grand in 1997 (S)

7.10pm Dinner for One Comedy starring Freddie Frinton and May Warden. At Miss Sophie's 90th birthday dinner, her butler James must play the parts of four of her departed friends. (BW) (S) (W) (HD)

7.30 André Rieu: New Year's Eve in Vienna A performance by the violinist in the capital of Austria, featuring pieces by composers including Johann Strauss, Franz Lehar and Robert Stolz. (HD)

9.45 André Rieu: Christmas Down Under – Live from Sydney A concert by the Dutch violinist and the Platin Tenors, held in Sydney's town hall. (HD)

12 midnight Freddie Mercury: the Tribute Concert: the 1992 concert at Wembley Stadium (S) **1.50am** Kylie: Showgirl: the Greatest Hits Tour (HD) **4.00** U2 – Experience Live in Berlin (HD) **5.30–6.00am** Discovering: U2: the lives and careers of the Irish rock band (HD)

Sky Crime

Sky 121 **Virgin** 136 **HD** **Virgin** 135

6.00am Motorway Patrol (S) (AD) **7.00** Brit Cops: Rapid Response (S) (AD) **8.00** Border Security: Canada's Front Line (S) (AD) **9.00** Brit Cops: Law & Disorder (S) (AD) **1.00pm** UK Border Force (S) (AD) **5.00** Snapped (S)

6.00pm Snapped A popular bartender is accused of shooting her husband dead. (S)

7.00 Banged Up Abroad A woman who was caught smuggling heroin in Thailand. (S)

8.00 Murders That Shocked the Nation The case of Derek Bentley, who was hanged for the murder of a policeman during a burglary in Wandsworth in 1952, even though it was his accomplice who pulled the trigger. (S) (AD)

9.00 ***New.*** **Homicide for the Holidays** Police race to find a killer when they discover a chilling connection between a hockey mum's shooting and seven bodies found in a suburban house.

10.00 World's Most Evil Killers A profile of Edmund Kemper, also known as the "co-ed butcher". (S) **11.00** American serial killer Richard Ramirez. (S)

12 midnight How I Caught the Killer (S) **1.00am** Britain's Most Evil Killers (S) **2.00** Snapped (S) **3.00** Murders That Shocked the Nation (S) (AD) **4.00** Police Ten 7 (S) **5.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol (S) (AD)

Sky Crime +1 **Sky** 221 **Virgin** 207

Sky 2

Sky 168 **Virgin** 160

7.00am RSPCA Animal Rescue (S) (AD) **9.00** The Dog Whisperer **10.00** My Kitchen Rules: Australia (S) **12.30pm** Monkey Life (S) (AD) **1.00** American Ninja Warrior (S) **3.00** Stargate SG-1: five back-to-back episodes (S) **8.00pm** Road Wars: Conrad and Simon tackle a mugger (S) **9.00** A League of Their Own US Road Trip: Jamie Redknapp, Jack Whitehall and Andrew Flintoff head to California (S) (AD) **10.00** Bounty Hunters: double bill (S) (AD) **11.35** Ross Kemp: Extreme World (S) (AD) **12.30am** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit **1.30** Highway Patrol (S) **2.00** Duck Quacks Don't Echo (S) (AD) **3.00** A League of Their Own (S) (AD) **4.00–6.00am** Monkey Life (S) (AD)

Universal TV

Sky 113 **Virgin** 122 **BT** 320 **HD** **Virgin** 121 **BT** 385

8.00am Numb3rs (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** Major Crimes (S) (HD) **6.00pm FILM** Daddy Day Camp ★ Comedy starring Cuba Gooding Jr. Charlie Hinton attempts to revive the dilapidated camp where he spent his childhood summers (W) (HD) **8.00 FILM** Little Man ★ Comedy starring Marlon and Shawn Wayans (W) (HD) **10.15 FILM** Coyote Ugly ★★ Romantic comedy drama with Piper Perabo, Adam Garcia and John Goodman (S) (W) (HD) **12.30am** Rescue: Code One (S) (HD) **1.00** CSI: Miami (S) (HD) **2.00** The Murders (S) (HD) **3.00** Sea Patrol (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Numb3rs (S) (AD) (HD)

Universal TV +1 **Sky** 213 **Virgin** 206

Syfy

Sky 114 **Virgin** 138 **BT** 319 **HD** **Virgin** 137 **BT** 375

6.00am Marvel's Runaways **8.00** Home Shopping **11.00 FILM** Sinbad: Legend of the Seven Seas ★★★ **1.00pm FILM** Highlander III ★ Action fantasy **3.00 FILM** Kull the Conqueror ★★ Fantasy action adventure **4.50 FILM** The Phantom ★★ **7.00 FILM** Ghost Town ★★ Comedy starring Ricky Gervais as a bad-tempered dentist **9.00 FILM** The Running Man ★★★ Action adventure starring Arnold Schwarzenegger **11.10 FILM** They Live ★★★ Sci-fi thriller **1.10am FILM** Hard Rain ★★★ Action thriller starring Morgan Freeman **3.10** Fact or Faked: Paranormal Files **4.00–6.00am FILM** Ice Age ★★

Syfy +1 **Sky** 214 **Virgin** 229

TLC

Sky 133 **Virgin** 167 **BT** 323 **HD** **BT** 377

6.00am Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **8.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress: the Big Day (HD) **12 noon** Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **8.00pm** Say Yes to the Dress: Lancashire: four editions. Bride Danielle wants a vintage-style dress **9.00** Nina wants a unique look, but Gok's idea of a jumpsuit may be too much **10.00** Jilly is riding to her wedding on a tractor, so her dress must be practical and elegant **11.00** Gok helps plus-size bride Shireen see herself differently (HD) **12 midnight** Say Yes to the Dress: Lancashire (HD) **4.00–6.00am** Say Yes to the Dress (HD)

TLC +1 **Sky** 233 **Virgin** 172

Comedy Central

Sky 112 **Virgin** 132 **BT** 307 **HD** **Virgin** 181 **BT** 370

8.00am Most Ridiculous: Drivers (S) (HD) **8.35** Most Ridiculous: Talent Shows (S) (HD) **9.00** Impractical Jokers (S) (HD) **11.00 FILM** Beethoven ★★★★ Canine comedy starring Charles Grodin and a loveable St Bernard dog (S) (HD) **1.00pm** Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Lee Evans Live at Wembley: a performance by the energetic comedian in front of a sell-out crowd at Wembley Arena (S) **11.30** Michael McIntyre: Happy and Glorious (S) (HD) **12.30am** Lee Evans: XL Tour (S) **1.55** South Park (S) (HD) **4.15** Most Ridiculous: Gym Disasters (S) (HD) **4.35–5.00am** Most Ridiculous: Cats (S) (HD)

Comedy Central +1 **Sky** 212 **Virgin** 133

Lifetime

Sky 187 **Virgin** 208 **BT** 329 **HD** **BT** 384

7.00am Judge Judy (HD) **6.00pm** Judge Judy: real-life court cases (HD) **9.00** The Toe Bro: triple bill. Chiropodist Jonathan Tomines, aka the Toe Bro, treats decades-old fungal nails that are so remarkable the patient has named them **10.00** Jonathan Tomines helps a fashionista with a high-heel obsession that has led to painful ingrown toenails, and a man with sore calluses seeks help **11.00** Jonathan Tomines meets an Olympic swimmer with a fungal infection. Plus a young man seeks help when his stubborn toenails start growing through his flesh (HD) **12 midnight–4.00am** The Toe Bro (HD)






Father Brown *1.05pm* A radio show arrives in Kembleford

Alibi

Sky 132 **Virgin** 126 **BT** 312 **HD** **Virgin** 212 **BT** 382

7.40am Murdoch Mysteries (S) (HD) **10.35** Miss Marple (S) (AD) **1.05pm** Father Brown (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Death in Paradise (S) (AD) (HD)

6.20pm Death in Paradise *5/8 Series 7.* A man receives a voicemail from his wife saying she is being attacked. (S) (AD) (HD) **7.40** *6/8.* The leader of a spiritual retreat is strangled, but with all the group members together at the time of the murder, finding the killer could prove tricky. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Miss Marple *2/4 Series 3* Miss Marple is sent to convalesce in Barbados, where she finds life decidedly dull – until a grisly double murder breaks the monotony and presents her with an unforeseen opportunity to do some serious sleuthing. (S) (AD)

11.30 Death in Paradise *7/8 Series 7.* Someone from JP's past is caught red-handed at a murder scene, raking up old memories for the young officer, and leaving a complex murder mystery. (S) (AD) (HD) **12.50am** *8/8.* When the guitarist of a reggae band is murdered, Jack and his team must crack a cold case first. (S) (AD) (HD)

2.05–4.00am Murdoch Mysteries (S) (AD) (HD)

Alibi +1 **Sky** 232 **Virgin** 191

Discovery History

Sky 171 **Virgin** 257

6.00am Aircraft Stories

5.00pm Aircraft Stories This edition delves into the distinguished service records of some of the most amazing airlifters flying today, focussing on American transporters. **6.00** How the US has played a major role in protecting Western Europe since the First World War. **7.00** The Soviet aviation industry's diverse use of helicopters, from dumping concrete on Chernobyl to warfare in Afghanistan. **8.00** How Italy has struggled to establish itself as having a military aviation force to be reckoned with. **9.00** Examining the development of British tactical air power from the Second World War to the Gulf War, including the diverse and dynamic fleet of military aircraft. **10.00** Chronicling 100 years of American aircraft achievements, from the early visionaries to the technological advancements of the modern bomber fleet. **11.00** This edition charts the development of Russian fighter planes from the time of Tsar Nicholas II to the modern day, highlighting designs that have left Western developers stunned. **12 midnight** The use of transport planes in Russian air assault operations, and an examination of recent designs such as jet seaplanes.

1.00–6.00am Secrets Underground: five editions

Discovery History +1 **Sky** 271 **Virgin** 261



American Dad! *9.00pm* Steve becomes the man of the house

Fox

Sky 124 **Virgin** 157 **HD** **Virgin** 199

8.00am Bull (HD) **9.00** Bones (HD) **10.00** Bull (HD) **11.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** Bones (HD) **2.00pm** The Mentalist (HD) **3.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Bull (HD) **5.00** Bones (HD)

6.00pm The Mentalist *4/22 Series 5.* Rigsby finds his father shot near a murder scene. (HD)

7.00 NCIS *14/24 Series 13* A deep-sea diver is murdered by one of his co-workers. (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** *15/24.* The team partners with the FBI on a case involving a kidnapped girl, a gang and an old friend of McGee. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 American Dad! *Series 6* Stan's pranks land him in jail. **9.30** Hayley goes to a concert against Stan's orders, so he goes too and demands she return home. **10.00** Stan thinks liberal social programmes are a waste of money – until he becomes an addict. **10.30** Roger kisses Francine at a wine-tasting event. **11.00** *Series 15.* After her family accuses her of being a quitter, Francine becomes a bodybuilder. **11.30** Jeff starts hanging out with Stan's favourite celebrity chef. (HD)

12 midnight Family Guy **1.00am** American Dad! (HD) **2.00** Family Guy **3.00** Science of Stupid (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Bull (HD)

Fox +1 **Sky** 224 **Virgin** 158

History

Sky 130 **Virgin** 270 **BT** 327 **HD** **BT** 379

6.00am American Pickers (HD) **10.00** Storage Wars (HD) **6.00pm** Ancient Aliens: four editions. Claims that aliens inhabit the continent of Antarctica **7.00** A giant face that appears to be carved into the Earth in Alberta **8.00** A man who claims he was hired to reverse-engineer an alien spacecraft **9.00** Throughout history, there have been stories of strange beings known to exist on Earth. This programme examines whether they could be more than just mythology (HD) **10.00** ***New.*** The New Age of Terror: as homegrown threats have emerged from within the US, the climate of fear has led to a new wave of domestic terror emerging, led by white nationalists (HD) **12 midnight** Mountain Men (HD) **1.00am** Storage Wars (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Ancient Aliens (HD)

History +1 **Sky** 230 **Virgin** 271

Animal Planet

Sky 162 **Virgin** 251 **BT** 325 **HD** **BT** 378

6.00am Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **8.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (S) (HD) **10.00** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **11.00** Animal Cops Detroit (S) (AD) **1.00pm** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **3.00** My Cat from Hell (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Homestead Rescue (HD) **5.00** The Zoo: San Diego (HD) **6.00** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **7.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (AD) **8.00** ***New.*** The Zoo: a giraffe travels to its new home in the Bronx (HD) **9.00** Homestead Rescue (HD) **10.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (S) (HD) **1.00am** Animal Cops Houston (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00** The Zoo (HD) **3.00** Homestead Rescue (HD) **3.50** Jeremy Wade's Dark Waters (S) (HD) **4.40** Orangutan Island (S) (HD) **5.10–6.00am** The Zoo (S) (HD)

Animal Planet +1 **Sky** 262 **Virgin** 259



Combat Dealers *8.00pm* Second World War uniforms

Discovery

Sky 125 **Virgin** 250 **BT** 322 **HD** **BT** 376

6.00am Wheeler Dealers (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm Fast 'n' Loud The GMG crew attempts to revitalise a 1967 Dodge Dart in time for a Dodge-themed race against the Roadkill team. (S) (HD)

7.00 Outback Truckers Nick and Jo face tough driving conditions with volatile cargo. (S) (HD)

8.00 Combat Dealers Bruce purchases a Second World War army uniform for £40,000 when hunting for paratrooper gear, while Hus almost throws up when doing loops in a Mustang. (S) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **Gold Rush** Following the gold miners of the Yukon as they try to strike it rich. (HD)

10.00 ***New.*** **Gold Rush: White Water** Dakota Fred and his son Dustin risk their lives to find a fortune in gold nuggets. (HD)

11.00 Wheeler Dealers Mike is excited to pick up one of his favourite types of convertible – a 2000 Porsche 996. (S) (AD) (HD)

12 midnight Gold Rush (HD) **1.00am** Gold Rush: White Water (HD) **2.00** Deadliest Catch (S) (HD) **3.00** Gold Rush (HD) **3.50** Fast 'n' Loud (S) (AD) (HD) **5.30–6.00am** How It's Made (S) (HD)

Discovery +1 **Sky** 225 **Virgin** 258

Nat Geographic

Sky 129 **Virgin** 266 **BT** 317 **HD** **Virgin** 268 **BT** 373

8.00am Chasing UFOs (HD) **4.00pm** UFOs: the Untold Stories: seven editions. The UK's first criminal investigation into an alleged UFO sighting **5.00** Investigating the UFO phenomenon around the world **6.00** The case of drivers whose engines cut out before an intense bright light appeared above them, and the story of two pilots who allegedly spotted an unusual object over Paris **7.00** More alleged alien spacecraft sightings, including an unidentified red light that appeared in the sky following a blackout in a Romanian village **8.00** Investigating an alleged UFO sighting in Portugal **9.00** The disappearance of a pilot in 1970 **10.00** The reaction of the Belgian military to three lights in the sky (HD) **11.00–5.00am** UFO: Alien Invasion (HD)

Nat Geo +1 **Sky** 229 **Virgin** 267

Eden

Sky 166 **Virgin** 245 **BT** 315 **HD** **Virgin** 247 **BT** 389

9.00am Wild Caribbean **1.00pm** Wild France (AD) (HD) **3.00** Wild Caribbean **6.00pm** Wild Caribbean: the region's mysterious side is explored during a journey from the rainforests of Panama to the coral Barrier Reef of the Americas **7.00** Wild France: double bill. Exploring thousands of years of history, landscape and nature in France, as well as thriving wildlife, then the unique ecosystem of the Marais Poitevin (AD) (HD) **9.00** Wild Caribbean: four editions. The natural history of the tropical islands **10.00** The coral and shipwrecks around the tropical islands **11.00** The effects of hurricanes on the islands' wildlife **12 midnight** as 6pm **1.00am** Wild France (AD) (HD) **3.00** Wild Caribbean **5.30–6.00am** Jungle Planet (HD)

Eden +1 **Sky** 266 **Virgin** 246



Alan Cumming's Edge of Scotland *1.00pm* Barra

PBS America 91

F'view 91 (1-11pm only) **F'sat** 155 **Sky** 174 **Virgin** 273

8.00am America's Untold Story **1.00pm** Alan Cumming's Edge of Scotland: the actor explores the rugged beauty of the Outer Hebrides

2.00pm The Vietnam War On the eve of the Tet holiday, North Vietnamese and Viet Cong forces launch surprise attacks throughout the south, while Lyndon Johnson decides not to stand for re-election. **3.50** Richard Nixon wins the presidency, promising law and order at home and peace overseas, while soldiers on both sides witness terrible savagery and unflinching courage in Vietnam. **6.15** President Nixon begins withdrawing American troops, news breaks of a massacre carried out by US soldiers and an incursion into Cambodia reignites anti-war protests. **8.35** South Vietnamese forces fighting on their own in Laos suffer a terrible defeat, while a re-elected President Nixon announces Hanoi has agreed to a peace deal.

11.00 I Am War The accounts of five men and women who fought in the Afghanistan War and how the experiences changed their lives.

12.10am Surviving Disaster **1.25–2.00am** The Aviators

PBS +1 **Freeview** 93 (HD only)

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F'view (HD only) 99 **F'sat** 175 **Sky** 195 **Virgin** 276

6.00am Uncharted Amazon (HD) **7.00** Britain in Colour (HD) **8.00** Aerial Britain (HD) **9.00** Adolf Island (HD) **10.00** The Hunt for Eagle 56 (HD) **11.00** America in Colour (HD) **12 noon** America's Civil War 360 (HD) **3.00pm** Adolf Island (HD) **4.00** The Hunt for Eagle 56 (HD) **6.00** Memphis Belle in Colour (HD) **7.00** America in Colour (HD) **8.00** Battle of Okinawa in Colour: the story of the fight for Okinawa (HD) **9.00** Inside the Factory: Gregg Wallace explores the world's largest dried-pasta factory in Italy **10.00** Mystic Britain (HD) **11.00** Battle of Okinawa in Colour (HD) **12 midnight** Battle of Midway: the True Story (HD) **1.00am** Mystic Britain (HD) **2.00** Battle of Okinawa in Colour (HD) **3.00** Battle of Midway: the True Story (HD) **4.00** Mystic Britain (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Lincoln's Washington at War (HD)

Sony Crime

Freesat 143 **Sky** 179 **Virgin** 193

6.00am Speeders **7.00** Bait Car: LA **9.00** Speeders **11.00** Bait Car: LA **1.00pm** Speeders **6.00** Speeders: six editions. Officer Olson pulls over a couple of teens and gives them a pop quiz **6.30** Officer Williams pulls over a confused wedding planner **7.00** Officer Hartsell pulls over a driver who has "pimped-out" his car with bits of junk he found at a hardware shop. Officer Haselton tackles a meat cutter who doesn't have a licence **7.30** Officer Williams pulls over a car full of Italian tourists who are on the look out for foxy American ladies **8.00** As 6pm **8.30** As 6.30pm **9.00** Bait Car: LA **11.00** Speeders **12 midnight** Bait Car **1.00am** Speeders **3.00** Bait Car: LA **3.30** Bait Car: San Francisco **4.00** Speeders **5.00–6.00am** Bait Car

CHILDREN'S

Milkshake! on C5

Full listings for Channel 5 are on p212

6.00am Peppa Pig: four episodes **6.20** Ben and Holly: Holly breaks her mother's teapot **6.35** Noddy: Toyland Detective: Fuse asks Noddy to take a present to the Pockets **6.45** Fireman Sam: Norman and James try to rescue a cat **7.10** Shane the Chef: Honey learns a lesson about teamwork **7.20** Peppa Pig: double bill **7.45** Top Wing **7.55** Paw Patrol **8.25** Floogals **8.40** Little Princess **8.55** Nella the Princess Knight **9.05–9.10am** Peppa Pig

CBeebies 202

Freeview 202 **Freesat** 608 **Sky** 614 **Virgin** 702

6.00am Something Special: We're All Friends **6.20** Baby Jake **6.35** Twirlywoos **6.45** Raa Raa the Noisy Lion **6.55** Numberblocks **7.05** Bing: double bill **7.20** Hey Duggee: double bill **7.35** Bitz & Bob **7.50** Peter Rabbit **8.00** Go Jetters: cartoon following four superheroes as they explore the world **8.10** Octonauts **8.20** Biggleton **8.35** Justin's House **9.00** CBeebies Prom: Off to the Moon **10.00** Woolly & Tig: Hogmanay **10.10** Teletubbies **10.25** The Baby Club **10.40** Hey Duggee **10.45** Mister Maker's Arty Party **11.05** Pablo **11.20** Ferne and Rory's Vet Tales **11.35** School of Roars **11.40** My First **11.50** Tinga Tinga Tales **12.05pm** My World Kitchen: children from all over the world show off their favourite recipes **12.15** Old Jack's Boat: Rockpool Tales; Small Potatoes **12.30** Katie Morag **12.50** Melody **1.00** Biggleton **1.10** Timmy Time **1.15** Yakka Dee! **1.20** Numberblocks **1.25** Bing **1.35** Twirlywoos **1.45** Something Special: We're All Friends **2.10** Teletubbies **2.20** The Baby Club **2.35** Pablo **2.50** Our Family **3.00** Andy's Prehistoric Adventures **3.15** Swashbuckle **3.40** Hey Duggee **3.45** Tinpo **3.55** Messy Goes to OKIDO; My Petsaurus **4.10** My First **4.20** Grace's Amazing Machines **4.35** Peter Rabbit **4.50** Go Jetters **5.00** Swashbuckle Pirate Party **5.30** Woolly & Tig: Hogmanay **5.40** Sarah & Duck **5.45** Moon and Me **6.10pm** Clangers **6.20** In the Night Garden…: magical adventures **6.50–7.00pm** Bedtime Stories

CBBC 201

Freeview 201 **Freesat** 607 **Sky** 613 **Virgin** 701

7.00am Arthur **7.15** Dennis & Gnasher **7.25** Danger Mouse **7.35** OOglies **7.50** Diddy TV **8.05** Class Dismissed **8.25** Odd Squad: the Movie **9.30** The Madagascar Penguins in a Christmas Caper **9.45** Top Class **10.15** Donkey's Caroling Christmas-tacular **10.25** A Week to Beat the World **10.55** So Awkward **1.45pm** So Awkward Files **2.15** Blue Peter: All About the Orange Badge **2.45** Class Dismissed **3.10** The Deep **3.35** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **3.45** Scream Street **4.00** Show Me What You're Made Of: UK **4.30** The Dengineers **5.00** ***New.*** Almost Never **5.30** A Blue Peter Christmas… Here's One We Made Earlier! **6.05pm** Dragons: Race to the Edge **6.25** Operation Ouch! **7.00** Odd Squad: the Movie **8.05** Nikki Lilly Meets **8.15** Almost Never **8.45–9.00pm** Puss in Boots: the Three Diablos

CITV 203

Freeview 203 **Freesat** 602 **Sky** 621 **Virgin** 734

6.00am Dino Dana **6.15** Super 4 **6.50** Dare Master **6.55** The Powerpuff Girls **7.20** Teen Titans Go! **7.50** Hotel Transylvania **8.20** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **8.55** Mr Magoo **9.55** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **10.55** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **11.50** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **12.30pm** Dare Master: Danny takes on a white-water rafting course **12.35** Mr Magoo **1.35** Hotel Transylvania **2.30** Kung Fu Panda: the Paws of Destiny **3.00** Mr Magoo **4.00** Mr Bean: the Animated Series: four episodes **5.00** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud: double bill **5.30** ***New.*** Pokémon **6.15pm** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **7.00** Mr Magoo **7.40** Hotel Transylvania **8.05** Spy School **8.55–9.00pm** Dare Master

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Romance amid the rubble

P The Aftermath ★★★ *10.00pm* ***Sky Premiere***

In bombed-out Hamburg after the cessation of hostilities in 1946, the troubled wife of a British army officer joins him as he works on Germany's reconstruction. Keira Knightley is spot-on as the brittle spouse who's left rattling around a luxury mansion shared with its German owner (Alexander Skarsgård). The film's turbulent romantic course is a bit too predictable for its own good, but this is a classy proposition throughout, with Knightley bringing emotional conviction to match her vintage knitwear and pearls. **TREVOR JOHNSTON**



Man on a mission

P John Wick: Chapter 3 – Parabellum ★★★★ ***Netflix***

Keanu Reeves returns as the stoic hitman in this third – and best – entry in the endearingly violent series. Careening from over-the-top gun battles to spectacular stunts, the preposterous action only slightly overextends itself in the psychedelic glass-room finale. Among a fine array of cameos, Halle Berry shines as Wick's contact in Casablanca. Meanwhile, her two protective Belgian Shepherds steal the show with an amazing display of "dog-fu". **ALAN JONES**

Get in the party mood

Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again ★★★

1.20pm ***Sky Musicals***

Cher raises the diva roof and Meryl Streep again causes floods of tears in this sequel that showcases some of Abba's less-familiar songs. Lily James is also adorable as Streep's younger incarnation in a commercially driven follow-up that delivers more quality pop in sun-kissed surroundings. **AJ**



FREEVIEW

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F'view 14 **F'sat** 300 **Sky** 313 **Virgin** 428 **HD Virgin** 429

11.00am The House of Magic ★★★★ Charming animated adventure about a retired magician. Murray Blue (2013, U) (S)

12.50pm Teen Wolf ★★★ A family curse kicks in when the Moon is full in this likeable comedy. Michael J Fox (1985, PG) (S)

2.40 4: Rise of the Silver Surfer ★★★ The Fantastic Four return in this colourful action adventure. Ioan Gruffudd (2007, PG) (S) (AD)

4.40pm Turner & Hooch ★★★ Enjoyable comedy about a detective who teams up with a dog. Tom Hanks (1989, PG) (AD)

6.45 The Huntsman: Winter's War ★★★ Eye-catching spin-off from the Snow White story. Chris Hemsworth (2016, 12) (S) (AD)

9.00 Deadpool ★★★ Ryan Reynolds stars as the wisecracking mutant hero in this riotously self-aware fantasy adventure. Morena Baccarin (2016, 15) (S) (AD)

11.10 Idiocracy ★★★ A man wakes up 500 years in the future in this musing satirical comedy. Luke Wilson (2006, 15) (S)

12.50–3.15am Die Hard 2 ★★★★ Bruce Willis dons the white singlet again. (1990, 18) (S) (AD)

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Sony Movies 32

Freeview 32 **Freesat** 302 **Sky** 321 **Virgin** 425

9.00am The Lost Medallion: the Adventures of Billy Stone ★★ Fantasy. Billy Unger (2013, PG) **10.50 Lawrence of Arabia** Epic adventure. **Review, p90.** Peter O'Toole (1962, PG) **3.00pm Chicago ★★★★** Musical. Catherine Zeta-Jones (2002, 12) **5.15 Fun with Dick and Jane ★★** Crime comedy. (2005, 12)

7.05pm The Cable Guy ★★★ Dark satirical comedy. Jim Carrey, Matthew Broderick (1996, 12)

9.00 It TV adaptation of Stephen King's horror tale with Tim Curry and Richard Thomas.

12.50am Tootsie ★★★★ Comedy. Dustin Hoffman (1982, 15) **3.10–5.50am Eat Pray Love ★★** Biographical drama. Julia Roberts (2010, 15)

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F'view 40 *(limited)* **F'sat** 305 **Sky** 323 **Virgin** 426

6.00am One Silver Dollar ★★★ Spaghetti western. Montgomery Wood (1965) **8.00 Revolution ★★★** War drama. Al Pacino (1985, 12) **10.25 The Commandos Strike at Dawn ★★** Second World War drama. Paul Muni (1942) **12.30pm Counterfeit Commandos ★★★** Adventure. Bo Svenson (1978, 15) **2.15 The Rats of Tobruk ★★** War drama. Grant Taylor (1944) **4.20 Flight World War II ★** Sci-fi adventure. Faran Tahir (2015, 12)

6.05pm The Phantom Below ★★ A US Navy sub comes under attack. Adrian Paul (2005, PG) **8.00 Storm over the Nile ★★** Adventure remake. Laurence Harvey, Anthony Steel (1955, U) **10.15 Sniper: Ghost Shooter ★★** Action thriller. Chad Michael Collins, Billy Zane (2016, 15) **12.20am Missionary Man ★★** Action drama. Dolph Lundgren (2007, 15) **2.10–4.00am In Hell ★★** Action drama. Jean-Claude Van Damme (2003, 18)

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Freeview 81 **Freesat** 306 **Sky** 328 **Virgin** 445

6.00am The Man in the Mirror ★★ Fantasy comedy. Edward Everett Horton (1936, U) (S) **7.35 Bombay Waterfront ★★** Crime mystery. John Bentley (1952, U) (S) **9.00 Geordie ★★★** Comedy drama. Alastair Sim (1955, U) **11.00** June Allyson **11.30 Blitz on Britain ★★★★** Documentary. (1961, PG) **12.45pm Deadly Record ★★** Mystery. (1959, PG) **2.00** Rooms **2.45 Angels One Five ★★★** War drama. Jack Hawkins (1952, U) **4.45 Conspiracy of Hearts ★★★★** War drama. Lilli Palmer (1960, PG) **7.10pm The Wolves of Willoughby Chase ★★★** Fun period romp. Stephanie Beacham (1988, PG) (S) **9.00 Gideon's Way** TV crime drama. **10.00 This Sporting Life** Classic British drama. Richard Harris, Rachel Roberts (1963, 12) **12.45am The Teckman Mystery ★★** Thriller. Margaret Leighton, John Justin (1954, PG) **2.35 Quatermass and the Pit ★★★** Sci-fi thriller. Andrew Keir (1967, 12) **4.35–6.00am River Beat ★★** Crime drama. Phyllis Kirk (1954, PG) (S)

Premiere

Sky 301 **Virgin** 401 **BT** 501

6.50am As 10pm **8.50** As 3.15pm **10.25** As 7pm **1.25pm The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part ★★★★** Animated action adventure. **Choice, p138.** Chris Pratt, Elizabeth Banks, Will Arnett (2019, U) **3.15 Wonder Park ★★** Animated fantasy adventure. Brianna Denski, Jennifer Garner, Mila Kunis (2019, PG)

4.45pm Mary Poppins Returns ★★★ Emily Blunt is pitch perfect in this fun sequel. **Choice, p156.** Lin-Manuel Miranda, Ben Whishaw (2018, U)

7.00 Avengers: Endgame ★★★★ End-of-an-era action epic. **Choice, p166.** Robert Downey Jr, Chris Hemsworth, Mark Ruffalo, Chris Evans (2019, 12)

10.00 P The Aftermath ★★★ Classy romance set in postwar Germany. **Choice, left.** Keira Knightley, Alexander Skarsgård, Jason Clarke (2019, 15)

12 midnight Greta ★★★ Thriller. **Choice, p206.** Chloë Grace Moretz (2018, 15) **1.45am** As 4.45pm **4.00 The Kid Who Would Be King ★★★** Fantasy. **Choice, p176.** (2018, PG)

Premiere +1 Sky 312 **Virgin** 412

Hits

Sky 303 **Virgin** 403 **BT** 503

7.35am Ferdinand ★★★★ Animated comedy. John Cena, (2017, U) **9.25 The Grinch ★★★** Animated fantasy. (2018, U) **10.55 The Scorpion King ★★★** Fantasy. The Rock (2002, 12) **12.30pm The Mummy ★★★** Horror. (1999, 12) **2.40 The Mummy Returns ★★★** Horror. (2001, 12)

4.55pm The Mummy: Tomb of the Dragon Emperor ★★ Period horror adventure. Brendan Fraser, Jet Li, Maria Bello (2008, 12)

6.55 The Kid Who Would Be King ★★★ Upbeat fantasy. **Choice, p176.** Louis Ashbourne Serkis, Rebecca Ferguson, Patrick Stewart (2018, PG)

9.00 What Men Want ★★★ It's a man's world for Taraji P Henson in this gender-swapping comedy. **Choice, p196.** (2019, 15)

11.00pm The Matrix Thriller. Keanu Reeves (1999, 15) **1.20am Pacific Rim: Uprising ★★★** Sci-fi action adventure. John Boyega (2018, 12) **3.15 Halloween ★★★★** Horror. Jamie Lee Curtis (2018, 18) **5.05** As 9.25am

Action

Sky 307 **Virgin** 407 **BT** 507

6.00am 2012 As 3.35pm **8.45 Poseidon** As 6.15pm **10.30 Solo: a Star Wars Story** As 8pm **1.00pm Armageddon ★★★** Sci-fi action adventure. Bruce Willis, Billy Bob Thornton, Ben Affleck (1998, 15) **3.35 2012 ★★★** Disaster movie. John Cusack, Chiwetel Ejiofor, Amanda Peet (2009, 12)

6.15pm Poseidon ★★ Remake of disaster movie *The Poseidon Adventure*. Josh Lucas (2006, 12)

8.00 Solo: a Star Wars Story ★★★★ Fun and exciting origins adventure for the space buccaneer. Alden Ehrenreich, Donald Glover, Emilia Clarke, Woody Harrelson (2018, 12)

10.20 Money Train ★★ Action comedy about a heist on the New York subway. Wesley Snipes, Woody Harrelson, Robert Blake, Jennifer Lopez (1995, 18)

12.15am 300 ★★★★ Historical action adventure. Gerard Butler (2006, 15) **2.15 300: Rise of an Empire ★★★★** Historical adventure. Eva Green (2013, 15) **4.05 Jason and the Argonauts ★★★★** Fantasy. (1963, U)

Superheroes

Sky 302 **Virgin** 402 **BT** 502

6.00am Black Panther ★★★★ Adventure. (2018, 12) **8.15 Avengers: Infinity War ★★★★** Action extravaganza. (2018, 12) **10.45 Ant-Man and the Wasp ★★★★** Adventure. (2018, 12) **12.45pm Captain Marvel ★★★** Fantasy. (2019, 12) **2.55 Aquaman ★★★** Action. (2018, 12)

5.20pm Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice ★★★ Spectacular superhero blockbuster. Ben Affleck, Henry Cavill (2016, 12)

8.00 Batman Begins ★★★★ Gripping psychological portrait of the comic-book hero. Christian Bale, Michael Caine, Liam Neeson (2005, 12)

10.30 The Dark Knight Batman returns to do battle with the Joker. Christian Bale, Heath Ledger, Aaron Eckhart, Michael Caine (2008, 12)

1.05am The Dark Knight Rises ★★★★ Epic action fantasy. Christian Bale, Anne Hathaway, Tom Hardy (2012, 12) **3.55 Batman and Robin ★★** The Dark Knight and his sidekick defrost Mr Freeze. George Clooney (1997, PG)

Drama

Sky 304 **Virgin** 410 **BT** 510

6.00am Out of Africa ★★★★ Biopic. Meryl Streep (1985, PG) **8.50 Babel ★★★** Drama. Brad Pitt, Cate Blanchett (2006, 15) **11.25** As 8pm **1.25pm The Aftermath ★★★** Romantic drama. **Choice, left.** Keira Knightley (2019, 15) **3.15 As Good as It Gets ★★★★** Romantic comedy. Jack Nicholson (1997, 15)

5.45pm Dreamgirls ★★★ Musical drama full of glitz and glamour. Jamie Foxx, Beyoncé Knowles, Eddie Murphy, Jennifer Hudson (2006, 12)

8.00 The Greatest Showman ★★★★ Spectacular musical recounting the colourful life of circus inventor PT Barnum. Hugh Jackman, Zac Efron, Michelle Williams (2017, PG)

10.00 Fifty Shades Freed ★★ Slick erotic drama. Dakota Johnson, Jamie Dornan, Eric Johnson, Rita Ora (2018, 18)

11.50pm Saturday Night Fever Gritty dance drama. John Travolta (1977, 18) **1.55am American Beauty** Black comedy. Kevin Spacey (1999, 18) **4.00 Father Goose ★★★** Comedy drama. Cary Grant (1964, U)

Musicals

Sky 308 **Virgin** 404 **BT** 504

6.00am As 6pm **7.30 Into the Woods ★★★** Musical fantasy. Meryl Streep (2014, PG) **9.40 Tangled ★★★★** Animated comedy. Mandy Moore (2010, PG) **11.25 Mamma Mia! ★★★★** Comedy. Meryl Streep (2008, PG) **1.20pm Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again ★★★** Comedy. **Choice, left.** (2018, PG)

3.20pm Anna and the Apocalypse ★★★ Graduating teens deal with a zombie outbreak. Ella Hunt, Malcolm Cumming (2017, 15)

5.00 Cats Special

6.00 Beauty and the Beast Delightful animated fantasy. Paige O'Hara, Robby Benson (1991, U)

7.30 Mary Poppins Two children find their lives transformed by a magical new nanny. Julie Andrews, Dick Van Dyke (1964, U)

10.00pm Mary Poppins Returns ★★★ Fun fantasy. **Choice, p156.** Emily Blunt, Lin-Manuel Miranda, Ben Whishaw (2018, U) **12.15am** As 1.20pm **2.10** As 3.20pm **3.55 Carousel ★★★★** Musical. Gordon MacRae, Shirley Jones (1956, U)

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Disney

Sky 305 **Virgin** 405 **BT** 505

6.00am A Bug's Life As 4.45pm **7.40 Monsters, Inc** As 6.25pm **9.15 Up** As 8pm **10.55 Coco** As 9.45pm **12.45pm The Incredibles** As 11.35pm **2.45 Incredibles 2** ★★★★ Comedy adventure. Holly Hunter (2018, PG) **4.45 A Bug's Life** ★★★★ Adventure. Dave Foley, Kevin Spacey (1998, U)

6.25pm Monsters, Inc ★★★★★ This frantic, funny and very furry comedy is a genuine monster smash. John Goodman, Billy Crystal (2001, U)

8.00 Up ★★★★★ A grumpy widower searches for a lost world in this masterly animated fantasy. Ed Asner, Christopher Plummer, Jordan Nagai (2009, U)

9.45 Coco ★★★★★ A young Mexican enters the land of the dead to find his musical legacy. Anthony Gonzalez, Gael García Bernal (2017, PG)

11.35pm The Incredibles ★★★★★ Animated adventure. Craig T Nelson, Holly Hunter, Samuel L Jackson (2004, U) **1.40am** As 2.45pm **3.45** As 8pm **5.30** Dug's Special Mission **5.40** Jack-Jack Attack **5.50** Lava

Thriller

Sky 309 **Virgin** 409 **BT** 509

7.15am The Bodyguard ★★★ Romantic thriller. Kevin Costner (1992, 15) **9.35** As 6.30pm **12.05pm** As 9pm **2.30 The Untouchables** ★★★★★ Crime drama. Kevin Costner, Sean Connery, Andy Garcia (1987, 15) **4.40 Greta** ★★★ Thriller. **Choice, p206.** Chloë Grace Moretz, Isabelle Huppert (2018, 15)

6.30pm Catch Me If You Can ★★★★ A young conman charms and cheats his way across America in the 1960s. Leonardo DiCaprio, Tom Hanks, Christopher Walken (2002, 12)

9.00 Captain Phillips ★★★★★ Tom Hanks stars as the captain of a US cargo ship hijacked by Somali pirates. (2013, 12)

11.20 Anon ★★★ Clive Owen heads the cast of this hi-tech thriller. Amanda Seyfried, Colm Feore (2018, 15)

1.05am The Shawshank Redemption ★★★★★ Prison drama. (1994, 15) **3.40 Hitman** ★★ Action thriller. (2007, 15) **5.30 Sam Churchill: Search for a Homeless Man** ★★ Mystery drama. John Schneider (1998)

Sci-Fi/Horror

Sky 311 **Virgin** 411 **BT** 511

6.00am Close Encounters of the Third Kind ★★★★★ Steven Spielberg's classic sci-fi drama about alien visitations to our planet. Richard Dreyfuss (1977/1998, PG) **8.30 Glass** As 4.45pm **10.45 Bumblebee** As 7pm **12.45pm Mortal Engines** As 9pm **3.00 Zombieland** As 11.15pm

4.45pm Glass ★★★ M Night Shyamalan's intriguing fantasy follow-up to *Unbreakable* and *Split*. Bruce Willis, Samuel L Jackson (2019, 15)

7.00 Bumblebee ★★★ This *Transformers* spin-off is full of fun-filled high jinks as well as the usual bangs and crashes. Hailee Steinfeld, John Cena, Dylan O'Brien (2018, 12A)

9.00 Mortal Engines ★★★ Mobile cities fight for domination. Hugo Weaving, Hera Hilmar, Robert Sheehan (2018, 12)

11.15pm Zombieland ★★★ Splatter-filled horror comedy. Woody Harrelson, Jesse Eisenberg (2009, 15) **1.00am Maze Runner: the Death Cure** ★★★ Sci-fi thriller. Dylan O'Brien, Kaya Scodelario (2018, 12) **3.30** As 6am

Harry Potter

Sky 306 **Virgin** 406 **BT** 506

7.00am The Prisoner of Azkaban ★★★★ Fantasy adventure. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint (2004, PG) **9.35 The Goblet of Fire** ★★★★ Fantasy adventure. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2005, 12) **12.20pm The Order of the Phoenix** ★★★★ Fantasy adventure. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint (2007, 12)

2.50pm The Half-Blood Prince ★★★★ Harry investigates a secret from Voldemort's past. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2009, 12)

5.25 The Deathly Hallows: Part 1 ★★★ Harry, Ron and Hermione are on the run. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2010, 12)

8.00 The Deathly Hallows: Part 2 ★★★★★ Harry and Voldemort clash for the final time. Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson, Rupert Grint (2011, 12)

10.25pm Harry Potter List Show **11.25 Fantastic Beasts: the Crimes of Grindelwald** ★★★★ Fantasy adventure. Eddie Redmayne (2018, 12) **1.50am** As 10.25pm **2.50** As 11.25pm **5.15** As 10.25pm

Comedy

Sky 310 **Virgin** 408 **BT** 508

7.00am Sleepless in Seattle ★★★★ Romantic comedy. (1993, PG) **8.50 The School of Rock** ★★★★ Musical. Jack Black (2003, PG) **10.50** As 5.40pm **12.30pm Wayne's World** ★★★★ Mike Myers (1992, PG) **2.10 Wayne's World 2** ★★★ Mike Myers (1993, PG) **3.55 Tag** ★★ Ed Helms (2018, 15)

5.40pm Peter Rabbit ★★★ Paw-thumping adventure. James Corden, Rose Byrne, Domhnall Gleeson (2017, PG)

7.20 Bridget Jones's Diary ★★★★ Romantic comedy. Renée Zellweger, Colin Firth, Hugh Grant (2001, 15)

9.00 Bridget Jones: the Edge of Reason ★★★ Amusing sequel. Renée Zellweger, Hugh Grant, Colin Firth (2004, 15)

11.00 The Naked Gun: from the Files of Police Squad! ★★★★★ Hilarious spoof. Leslie Nielsen (1988, 15)

12.30am The Naked Gun 2½: the Smell of Fear ★★★★ Comedy. (1991, 15) **2.00 Naked Gun 33⅓: the Final Insult** ★★★★ Comedy. (1994, 12) **3.30** As 8.50am **5.25 The Fighting Temptations** ★★ Musical. (2003, PG)

TCM Movies

Sky 315 **Virgin** 415 **BT** 512 HD **Virgin** 416

6.00am Hollywood's Best Film Directors **6.35 The Train Robbers** ★★★ Western. John Wayne (1973, U) **8.30 Three Godfathers** ★★★ Western. John Wayne (1948, U) **10.40 The Cowboys** ★★ Western. John Wayne (1972, 12) **1.10pm Rio Lobo** ★★★ Western. John Wayne, Jennifer O'Neill (1970, PG)

3.35pm The Searchers ★★★★★ Western about an embittered loner's quest to rescue his niece from her Comanche captors. John Wayne, Jeffrey Hunter, Natalie Wood, Vera Miles (1956, U)

6.05 Rio Bravo ★★★★★ A tough sheriff stands firm against a powerful cattle baron. John Wayne, Dean Martin, Ricky Nelson (1958, PG)

9.00 The Dead Pool ★★ Violent Clint Eastwood B-thriller. Clint Eastwood, Patricia Clarkson (1988, 18)

10.55pm The Big Lebowski ★★★★ Comedy. (1998, 18) **1.25am Psycho** ★★★★★ Horror. (1960, 15) **3.30** Best Film Directors **4.00** Close Up **5.30** Best Film Directors

TCM Movies +1 **Sky** 316 **Virgin** 417

SPORT



T20 Cricket *8.00am*
BT Sport 1 Rashid Khan will light the fireworks in Adelaide

Sky Main Event

Sky 401 **Virgin** 511 **BT** 402 HD **Virgin** 501 **BT** 437

6.00am Premier League Years (AD) **8.00** The Greatest Solheim Cup **10.00** Living the Dream: a profile of Trent Alexander-Arnold **11.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **1.00pm** The World Cup through Their Eyes **3.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **5.00** Formula One Season Review **6.00** The World Cup through Their Eyes **8.00** Fights of 2019 **10.00** Class of 92: Full Time **2.00–6.00am** Sky Sports News

Sky Football

Sky 403 **Virgin** 513 HD **Virgin** 503

6.00am Championship Highlights **7.00** League One and Two Goals **7.30** Championship Highlights **9.00** SPFL Round-Up **9.15** EFL Highlights **9.30** League One and Two Goals **10.00** Uefa Nations League **6.00pm** Uefa Nations League Round-Up **11.00** SPFL Round-Up **11.15** Championship Highlights **11.30** Football's Greatest Players (AD) **12 midnight** Football Years (AD) **1.00am** Football Countdowns (AD) **2.00** SPFL Greatest Games **2.30** One2Eleven – Sol Campbell (AD) **2.45** One2Eleven – Danny Gabbidon (AD) **3.00** Play-Off Final Highlights **4.00** EFL Greatest Games **4.30** Football Countdowns (AD) **5.00** Football's Greatest Players **5.30–6.00am** Football Years (AD)

Sky Golf

Sky 405 **Virgin** 515 HD **Virgin** 505

6.00am PGA Tour Golf: a look at key moments from this year's season **4.00pm** European Pro Tour Golf **4.30** Junior Golf **5.30** US Tour Golf **6.30** The Clara Jug: Shane Lowry **7.00** The Greatest Solheim Cup **9.00** US Tour Golf **10.00** The Greatest Solheim Cup **12 midnight–6.00am** US Tour Golf

Eurosport 1

Sky 410 **Virgin** 521 **BT** 412 HD **BT** 435

6.00am Hall of Fame: Rio 2016 **7.00** Ski Jumping **8.00** Alpine Skiing **10.00** Cross-Country Skiing **11.20 LIVE Cross-Country Skiing** Coverage of the Tour de Ski World Cup meeting from Toblach in Italy, featuring the women's 10km freestyle mass-start event. **12.55pm LIVE Ski Jumping** Coverage of the second stage of this season's Four Hills competition comes from Garmisch-Partenkirchen in Germany, featuring the qualifying session. **2.15** Alpine Skiing **6.15** Cross-Country Skiing: the Tour de Ski World Cup meeting from Toblach in Italy **8.15** Ski Jumping **9.15** Cross-Country Skiing **10.15** Ski Jumping **11.15** Cross-Country Skiing **12.15am** Showjumping **1.15** Equestrianism **2.00** Alpine Skiing **3.00** Showjumping **4.00** Ski Jumping **5.00–6.00am** Cross-Country Skiing

Sky Premier League

Sky 402 **Virgin** 512 HD **Virgin** 502

6.00am Premier League Years (AD) **8.00** Christmas Crackers **8.30** Best of 18/19 **9.00** Christmas Crackers **10.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **11.00** Living the Dream: Jamie Carragher interviews Trent Alexander-Arnold **12 noon** Premier League Years (AD) **2.00pm** Best of 18/19: featuring highlights of West Ham United v Tottenham Hotspur and Tottenham Hotspur v Bournemouth **3.00** Premier League Highlights **4.00** Best of 18/19 **4.30** Premier League Highlights **5.30** Best of 18/19: highlights from Cardiff City v Manchester City **6.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **6.30** Premier League Legends (AD) **7.00** Premier League Review **8.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **9.00** Premier League Review **10.00** Class of 92 **2.00am** Premier League Years (AD) **4.00** Best Goals **5.30–6.00am** Premier League 100 Club (AD)

Sky Cricket

Sky 404 **Virgin** 514 HD **Virgin** 504

6.00am Test Cricket **8.00** Cricket Debate **8.45** Ashes in the 80s **10.45** Test Cricket **12.45pm** Cricket Debate **1.30** KP: Story of a Genius **3.30** Test Cricket **5.30** Ian Smith: My Life in Commentary (AD) **6.00** The World Cup through Their Eyes **8.00** KP: Story of a Genius **10.00** The World Cup through Their Eyes **12 midnight** Ashes in the 80s **2.00am** The World Cup through Their Eyes **4.00–6.00am** KP: Story of a Genius

Sky Action

Sky 407 **Virgin** 517 HD **Virgin** 507

6.00am Boxing Gold **7.00** Wrestling **8.00** Women's NBA **9.30** NBA: Sounds of the Finals 2018 **10.00** NBA Classic Games: Thunder @ Rockets 2013 **11.00** NFL: America's Game (AD) **12 noon** NFL **2.00pm** Wrestling **3.00** Wrestling **5.00** Pool: highlights from the World Cup of Pool held in Leicester **6.00** Hooked on Africa **6.30** NBC's ProFootballTalk **8.30** NBA GameTime **9.00** Wrestling **11.00** NBA: the Warm Up **12 midnight** NFL Hard Knocks: Oakland Raiders **1.00am** NFL **3.00** NBA Classic Games: Thunder @ Heat 2012 **4.00–6.00am** NBA Classic Games: Mavericks @ Jazz 2012 (AD)

Sky Darts

Sky 408 **Virgin** 518 HD **Virgin** 508

6.00am Darts Gold (AD) **7.00** World Darts **11.00** Darts Gold **11.20** Darts Top Five Moments **12 noon** Darts Gold: classic highlights **12.30pm** World Darts: action from the 15th day's play at Alexandra Palace **4.30** Darts Top Five Moments: a collection of the finest moments by world class players **5.00** Darts Gold **5.30** World Darts **9.30** Darts Gold **11.00** World Darts **3.00am** Darts Top Five Moments **4.00–6.00am** Darts Gold

Eurosport 2

Sky 411 **Virgin** 522 **BT** 413 HD **BT** 436

6.00am Alpine Skiing **8.00** Triathlon **8.30** Climbing **1.00pm** Cross-Country Skiing **1.50 LIVE Cross-Country Skiing** Coverage of the Tour de Ski World Cup meeting from Toblach in Italy, featuring the women's 10km event. **3.00** Athletics: a review of the 2019 Diamond League season **4.00** World Superbikes: the season's best races **5.30** British Superbikes **7.00** World Superbikes **9.00** British Superbikes **11.00** Motor Racing: a look at this year's Porsche Supercup campaign **11.30** Dakar Rally **12 midnight** World Snooker **2.00am** Ski Jumping **3.00** Cross-Country Skiing **5.00–6.00am** Ski Jumping

BT Sport 1

Sky 413 **Virgin** 527 **BT** 408 HD **BT** 430

6.00am Sailing to Tokyo (AD) **6.30** German Football **7.00** T20 Cricket **8.00 LIVE T20 Cricket** Adelaide Strikers v Sydney Thunder, the Big Bash League from Adelaide Oval. **11.15** Test Cricket Highlights **12.15pm** BT Sport Films: O Arise, All You Sons (AD) **1.15** Scottish Football **1.30** Arsenal Classics (AD) **2.00** Manchester United Classics (AD) **3.00** True Grit (AD) **4.00** Premier League Review **5.00 LIVE American Football** A triple-header of US college football action. **4.00am** Saturdays in the South (AD) **5.30–6.00am** Gearing Up

BT Sport 2

Sky 414 **Virgin** 528 **BT** 409 HD **BT** 431

6.00am Arsenal Classics (AD) **7.00** Manchester United Classics (AD) **8.00 LIVE Australian Football** Central Coast Mariners v Perth Glory (kick-off **8.00**). Coverage of the Australian top-flight clash from Central Coast Stadium. **10.00** Classic Premier League Football (AD) **10.30** Premier League Review **11.30** What I Wore: Rio Ferdinand **11.45** What I Wore: Alli & Sessegnon **12 noon** What I Wore: Gianfranco Zola **12.15pm** What I Wore: Hector Bellerin **12.30** What I Wore: Gary Lineker **12.45** What I Wore: Gareth Bale **1.00** What I Wore: Robbie Fowler **1.15** What I Wore: Henrik Larsson **1.30** What I Wore: Jesse Lingard **1.45** What I Wore: Robin Van Persie **2.15** What I Wore: Ellen White **2.30** What I Wore: Peter Crouch **3.00** What I Wore: James Milner **3.15** What I Wore: Pep Guardiola **3.30** What I Wore: Owen Hargreaves (AD) **3.45** BT Sport Goals Reload **4.00** Rugby Union Tonight **4.45** BT Sport Big Bash Reload **5.00** Premier League Football **5.30** T20 Cricket **6.30** Test Cricket Highlights **8.30** Premier League Review **9.30** Premier League Football **10.00** Poker **12 midnight** The '85 Bears (AD) **2.00** T20 Cricket **3.00** Test Cricket Highlights **5.00** Rugby Tonight **5.45–6.00am** Scottish Football

BT Sport 3

Sky 417 **Virgin** 529 **BT** 410 HD **BT** 432

6.00am MotoGP (AD) **7.30** BT Sport Goals Reload **7.45** Scottish Premiership Football **8.00** Rugby Union Highlights **10.30** Rugby Union Tonight **11.15** Gearing Up **11.45** The Polo Show (AD) **12.15pm** Sailing (AD) **12.45** Major League Baseball (AD) **1.45** German Football **2.15** Scottish Premiership Football **2.30** Triathlon **3.00** Scottish Football Extra **3.30** Scottish Championship Football **5.00** Australian Football **6.30** Fishing (AD) **7.30** Rugby Union Highlights **10.00** Rugby Union Tonight **10.45** Premier League Football **11.15** Scottish Premiership Football **11.30** Australian Football **1.00am** Premier League Football **1.30** UFC (AD) **2.00** Major League Baseball (AD) **3.00** Fishing (AD) **4.00** Sailing (AD) **4.30–6.00am** Australian Football

BT Sport ESPN

Sky 423 **Virgin** 530 **BT** 411 HD **BT** 434

6.00am ESPN FC **6.30** Basketball **8.15** BT Sport Reload **8.30** American Football **11.30** ESPN FC **12 noon** American Football **6.30pm** ESPN FC **7.00 LIVE American Football** The Sun Bowl from El Paso. **10.30** CFB 150: Rivalry Games **11.00 LIVE Basketball** Duke Blue Devils v Boston College Eagles (tip-off **11.00**), an NCAA clash. **1.00am** BT Sport Reload **1.30** The American Game: Evolution **2.30** CFB 150: the Greatest: Upsets **3.00–6.00am** American Football

New Year's Day



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PICK OF THE DAY

Doctor Who *6.55pm* ***BBC1***

DRAMA What's this? The Doctor, having cast off her trademark rainbow T-shirt, has swapped it for a tuxedo under her long grey coat. Dastardly villains have a plot against the intelligence services, while attacks around the globe put Earth's security in danger. In the planet's time of greatest need, there's only one person a plummy-voiced spymaster called C can turn to.

"The name's Doctor... *the* Doctor."

Yes, this is *Who's* riff on James Bond – though if the episode title (*Spyfall*) hasn't tipped you off, you're probably not cut out to be 007 yourself.

Written by showrunner Chris Chibnall and with starry guest turns from Stephen Fry (as the aforementioned spy boss, in brilliant casting) and Lenny Henry, this is an explosive start to Jodie Whittaker's second series. And given this is part one of a two-part episode, don't be too surprised if there's a bit of a cliffhanger... **HUW FULLERTON**

See feature: page 42

Romeo and Juliet: Beyond Words

5.30pm ***BBC2***

ARTS Taking the Royal Ballet away to a film-set in Budapest to reimagine Sir Kenneth MacMillan's *Romeo and Juliet* was pioneering. But in the hands of renowned directors Michael Nunn and William Trevitt (of the BalletBoyz), the ballet – set to Sergei Prokofiev's original score – comes to dazzling life.

The acting skills of the dancers, imperceptible on a distant stage, come under intense scrutiny but enhance the story. Francesca Hayward, as Juliet, lights up the screen and has the star quality that will see her become the next British dancing sensation. William Bracewell plays Romeo. **ALEXIA SKINITIS**

See feature: page 32

Miranda: My Such Fun Celebration

5.45pm ***BBC1***

ENTERTAINMENT Ten years ago, Miranda Hart's self-deprecating sitcom made it fun to be silly again. Anyone who's been missing phrases such as "Imagine a moist plinth" will love this London Palladium bash.

In a feel-good show with special guests, the galloping goddess of the pratfall is reunited with Stevie (Sarah Hadland), Penny (Patricia Hodges) and others. It reminds us not only how out-and-out funny the series was, but also what an advert it was for self-acceptance. Take the plunge. **MARK BRAXTON**

See page 35

The Great Festive Bake Off

7.40pm ***C4***

FOOD If the sight of Paul Hollywood dressed up as an Irish nun doesn't brighten your New Year's Day, you'd better go back to bed. He's introducing the guest bakers – the cast of *Derry Girls* – and not getting religion, by the way.

The first challenge is a mere trifle – or it would be if they didn't keep swigging the booze. The tent gets pretty loud when things go wrong or their bakes are criticised ("That looks like an aquarium, not a trifle"). But they're a good laugh, even if some of their attempts look as if they were made by "a five-year-old with a broken thumb". **JANE RACKHAM**

Earth's Tropical Islands

9.00pm ***BBC2***

NATURE ***New series*** David Harewood narrates this very handsome three-part series looking at Madagascar, Borneo and Hawaii. In the first episode, we're drawn to Madagascar, an island of vast contrasts in the Indian Ocean, with desert in the west, rainforest to the east and mountains in between.

Its flora and fauna have evolved to survive in an inhospitable climate. There are lemurs that can eat caustic sap or leap nimbly across razor-sharp limestone pinnacles; chameleons that live for only four months; and mini hedgehog-like tenrecs that have a unique way of warning their young that a snake is nearby. Continues tomorrow. **GILL CRAWFORD**

Children's Choices

Shaun the Sheep Movie

9.30am ***BBC1***

Currently starring in sci-fi extravaganza *Farmageddon*, Shaun is a restless soul leading a quiet life on a small farm and dreaming benignly of escape. In this first feature, his flock make it to town and disguise themselves as humans, chased by an animal control man (Omid Djalili).

The Lion King

6.00pm ***C4***

Though technologically leapfrogged by 2019's hyper-realistic remake, the hairy CGI *Lion King* wouldn't exist without the combined genius behind this original, hit 1994 Disney cartoon. The songs by Oscar winners Elton John and Tim Rice couldn't be bettered – *Hakuna Matata is* madly catchy – the old-school animation is perfect, the wildebeest stampede as spectacular as ever and Scar (Jeremy Irons) remains a fabulous villain.



Bancroft

9.00pm ***ITV***

DRAMA Killer cop Elizabeth Bancroft is back, she's been promoted and she's as snarlingly evil as ever. In the first series of Kate Brooke's overheated melodrama, in 2017, Bancroft (Sarah Parish) murdered anyone who stood in the way of her career.

As she returns, she's in joint charge of a newly merged North West police force. But old habits die hard, and when a property developer and his wife are horribly, messily murdered, and Bancroft's dreary estranged son Joe (Adam Long) is on the periphery, her protective instincts kick in. Joe's girlfriend is the dead couple's daughter, but she looks like trouble to Bancroft's gimlet eyes.

The series continues tomorrow and concludes on Friday. **ALISON GRAHAM**

Mrs Brown's Boys

10.30pm ***BBC1***

SITCOM Winnie is quaking at the news that Peggy Piper, the Pernod poisoner, jailed for spiking her husband's drink, is out on appeal. Winnie gave evidence against her old pal and may have to do so again. This is the main thread of another show as loose as a tatty old sweater – but it's funnier than the Christmas edition.

There are saucy lines, a predicament for Grandad and one of those wonderful moments when a scene almost falls apart with ad libs and fluffed lines. *Mrs Brown* used to offer more of these.

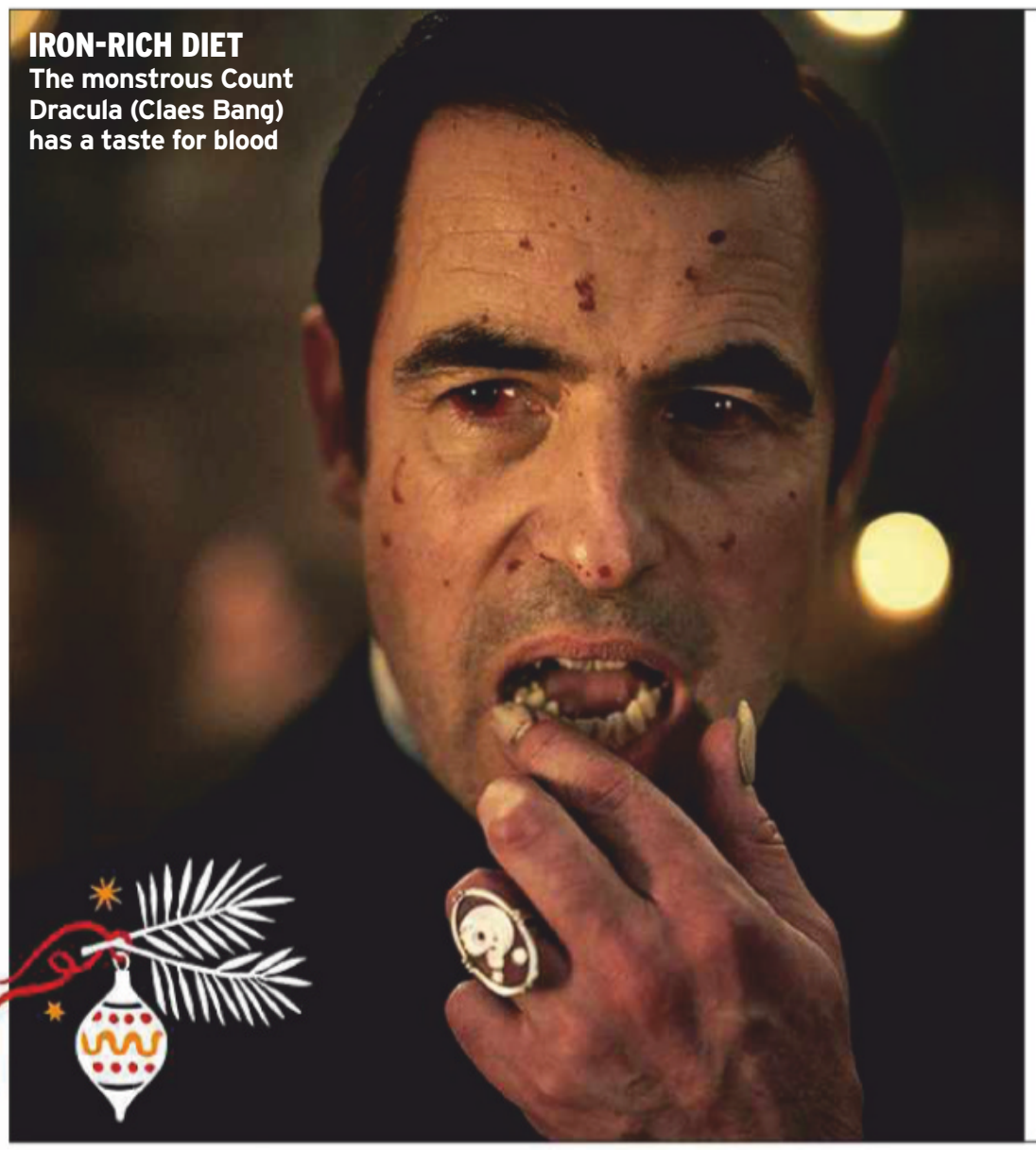
Winnie has to face the fearsome Peggy (Sue Vincent), but no showdown can avert the pub hoedown – this time with a gospel choir. **PATRICK MULKERN**

A Year in the Life of a Year 2019

11.00pm ***BBC2***

COMEDY The annual antidote to festive tweeness hijacks our tellies with a parade of targets both expected (a royal *Gogglebox*) and left-field (radiator bleeding with Christopher Eccleston). As ever, it's hard not to watch without (a) laughing like a drain and (b) shaking your head in disbelief at the permissions required.

Sir David Attenborough's Glasto jazz poetry and Shaun Ryder's bafflement on *Mastermind* are among the jewels, while sacred cows are thrown on the pyre with mischievous abandon – I love the disrespectfully mistyped captions. Rhys (*Brian Pern*) Thomas is our alchemist of the clips, and once again, the editor deserves some kind of award. **MB**



IRON-RICH DIET
The monstrous Count Dracula (Claes Bang) has a taste for blood

Dracula

9.00pm ***BBC1***

DRAMA ***New series*** Mustard-keen young solicitor Jonathan Harker arrives from England at forbidding Castle Dracula in Transylvania as darkness drapes the land and wolves howl at the moon. He's ready for a quick overnight business trip to sort out some paperwork with Count Dracula, and then to go home again to his beloved fiancée Mina.

Everyone knows Bram Stoker's version of the legend, but that won't help you here. Mark Gatiss and Steven Moffat have taken the story and thrown it, spinning, in the air. Brace yourselves, *Dracula* fans.

Harker (John Heffernan) becomes a broken man, held prisoner by the Count, a camp pansexual monster played by Claes Bang as a hybrid of Hannibal Lecter and Bond-era Roger Moore. There are slabs of full-on horror, gallons of blood and a wisecracking nun, Sister Agatha (Dolly Wells, who's terrific). Continues tomorrow and Friday. **AG**

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DISCOVER TV PICKS

The best of streaming and catch-up



Messiah

Netflix

Michelle Monaghan, so often the supporting player in series such as *True Detective* and *The Path*, gets a lead role here in a stern but adventurous drama that starts off looking like *Homeland*: Monaghan's a CIA agent tasked with monitoring the Syrian civil war. But then a figure (Mehdi Dehbi, above) emerges from the conflict who might be a mendacious cult leader, but could be something scarier.

Veganville

from 6am BBC3/iPlayer

Available as a three-episode box set, this reality series sends five diverse vegans to Merthyr Tydfil, a town linked strongly to local agriculture. Can the plant-fuelled quintet convert the locals? **JS**

BEST LIVE SPORT



■ **Darts: World Championship Final** *7pm* ***Sky Darts/****7.15pm* ***Main Event*** Can Michael van Gerwen hold on to the trophy?

■ **Premier League Football** Nine matches *from 12 noon* ***BT Sport 1/2,*** *2.45pm* ***ESPN:*** **Man City v Everton** *5.15pm (k/o 5.30pm)* ***BT1***

■ **Championship Football: West Brom v Leeds** *5pm (k/o 5.15pm)* ***Sky Football/Main Event***

P FILMS OF THE DAY

Pete's Dragon/ Mission: Impossible – Fallout

11.00am ***BBC1/****9.00pm* ***C4***

Remake of a kids' favourite/ action thriller. **See pp92/93**

ALLSTAR/DISNEY; GETTY

New Year's Day

DAYTIME

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast Presented by Dan Walker. (S) (HD)

9.00 Revolting Rhymes *2/2*. Animation based on Roald Dahl's grisly retellings of fairy tales. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

9.30 Shaun the Sheep Movie ★★★★ Animated comedy adventure. Shaun's plan to have a lazy day backfires when a cunning ruse sees the Farmer end up lost in the Big City. **Review p92; Children's choice, p219.** Directors Mark Burton and Richard Starzak (2015, U) (S) (W) (HD)

10.50 Inner Workings Animated Disney short. (S) (HD)

11.00 Pete's Dragon ★★★★ Fantasy adventure. P After his parents die in a car crash, young Pete is able to survive for years in the woods thanks to his best friend – a dragon. **Film of the Day: page 92.** Director David Lowery (2016, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

12.35pm BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

1.00 The Archbishop of Canterbury's New Year Message The Most Rev Justin Welby reflects on the importance of connecting with people, taking inspiration from the RNLI. Signed repeat 4.30pm BBC2 (S) (HD)

1.05 Seven Worlds, One Planet A compilation of the best moments from the recent natural history documentary. The whole series is on iPlayer. (S) (AD) (HD)

2.05–2.30 The Snail and the Whale A snail with a burning desire to see the world forges a friendship with a giant humpback whale. **See choice, page 140.** Shown Christmas Day 2.30pm (S) (AD) (HD) **See feature: p14**

i RED BUTTON 2.30–5.30 Final Score Jason Mohammad presents the latest football scores.

BBC2

6.15am–7.15 Sign Zone **6.15am See Hear** Magazine for the deaf. With voiceover. Rptd 1.45am (S) (HD) **6.45 Critical Incident** A police officer is run over. (Revised repeat) (S) (HD)

7.15 This Farming Life Raymond and a team of volunteers wash the valais blacknose sheep. (R) (S) (HD)

8.15 The Great British Sewing Bee *7/8* *Series 5* Joe Lycett presents the semi-final.

9.15 *8/8*. The last three compete for the title of Britain's best amateur needleworker. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

10.15 New Year's Day Concert Live from Vienna This traditional concert from the Golden Hall of the Musikverein in Vienna is led for the first time by celebrated Latvian conductor Andris Nelsons. Petroc Trelawny hosts. Highlights BBC4 7pm. (S) (HD)

12.45–2.25pm The Thomas Crown Affair ★★★ Romantic crime caper starring Steve McQueen and Faye Dunaway. A millionaire planning an ingenious bank robbery becomes drawn into a battle of wits with a top insurance investigator. **Review p92.** Director Norman Jewison (1968, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

ITV

6.00am CITV See page 225

9.25 Britain's Favourite Walks: Top 100 Counting down the nation's best-loved rambles. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

12 noon Countrywise: Winter Wonderland Liz Bonnin sees thousands of swans migrate and Ben Fogle climbs Helvellyn. Shown Christmas Day 11.10am (S) (HD)

12.45pm ITV News Weather (S) (HD)

12.55 LIVE Racing Four races from Cheltenham, including the Dipper Novices' Steeple Chase at **1.25**, plus two races from Musselburgh. (S) (HD)

3.30–4.00 You've Been Framed! Comical clips. (R) (S)

Channel 4

6.10am Carry On Cleo ★★★★ Comedy. The incorrigible Mark Antony falls for Cleopatra's charms. Director Gerald Thomas (1964, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

7.45 The Parent Trap ★★★ Comedy with Maureen O'Hara and Hayley Mills. Identical twins hatch a plan to get their divorced parents back together again. Director David Swift (1961, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

10.15 Child Genius vs Celebrities Jimmy Carr, Jo Brand, Richard Bacon and Vick Hope take part. **See choice, page 130.** Shown Christmas Eve 8pm (S) (AD) (HD)

11.20 The Simpsons Five episodes. (R) (S) (AD)

1.50–3.40pm Shark Tale ★★★ Animated adventure, with the voices of Will Smith, Jack Black, Renée Zellweger and Robert De Niro. A little fish conspires with a great white to dupe his peers into believing he's a heroic shark killer. Directors Eric "Bibo" Bergeron, Vicky Jenson and Rob Letterman (2004, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

BBC1



Doctor Who *6.55pm* Fix up, look sharp: the Doctor and friends are well suited to save the world

2.30pm The Sound of Music ★★★★★

Musical starring Julie Andrews and Christopher Plummer. Trainee nun Maria leaves her convent to become governess to the Von Trapp family. **Review p94.** Director Robert Wise (1965, U) (S) (W) (HD) For cast see page 231 Also showing tomorrow 7pm BBC4

5.20 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

5.45 Miranda: My Such Fun Celebration

RT Marking ten years since her sitcom first hit our screens, Miranda welcomes the cast of the show to the London Palladium for fun recollections. All series of *Miranda* are on iPlayer. **See page 218.** Director Barbara Wiltshire; Producer Aoife Bower Repeated Friday 3 January 12.20am (S) (AD) (HD)

See feature: page 35

6.55 Doctor Who

RT ***New series. 1/10*** *Series 12.* **Spyfall 1/2** Intelligence agents around the world are under attack from aliens. The Doctor is called in by MI6 and she travels the globe to make the Earth safe. All series since 2005 are on iPlayer. **See page 218.**

The Doctor	**Jodie Whittaker**	Mr Collins	**Andrew Bone**
Graham O'Brien	**Bradley Walsh**	Ethan	**Christopher McArthur**
Ryan Sinclair	**Tosin Cole**	Seesay	**Darron Meyer**
Yasmin Khan	**Mandip Gill**	Browning	**Dominique Maher**
Daniel Barton	**Lenny Henry**	Voice of Kasaavin	**Struan Rodger**
C	**Stephen Fry**	Sniper	**Melissa De Vries**
Najia Khan	**Shobna Gulati**	Passenger	**Sacharissa Claxton**
Hakim Khan	**Ravin J Ganatra**	Older passenger	**William Ely**
Sonya Khan	**Bhavnisha Parmar**	Operative (US)	**Brian Law**
Tibo	**Buom Tihngang**	Rendition man	**Ronan Summers**
Sgt Ramesh Sunder	**Asif Khan**		

Writer Chris Chibnall; Series producer Nikki Wilson; Director Jamie Magnus Stone Signed rpt Friday 3 January 4.30am BBC2 (S) (AD) (HD)

See feature: page 42

8.00 EastEnders

The new year brings secrets and lies for one family. Writer Rob Gittins For cast see pages 170/240 (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Dracula

RT ***New series. 1/3.*** **The Rules of the Beast** Mark Gatiss and Steven Moffat put their own spin on Bram Stoker's classic Gothic horror story. 1897: St Mary's Convent in Budapest plays host to a desiccated husk of a human being – Jonathan Harker, an English lawyer with a strange and unsettling story to tell. Continues tomorrow 9pm. **See page 219.** Executive producers Mark Gatiss, Steven Moffat and Sue Vertue Director Jonny Campbell For cast see p230 (S) (AD) (HD)

See feature: page 52

10.30 Mrs Brown's Boys

RT **Orange Is the New Mammy.** There's bad news for Winnie when Agnes discovers Peggy Piper the Pernod poisoner is out on appeal. **See page 219.**

Agnes Brown	**Brendan O'Carroll**	Betty Brown	**Amanda Woods**
Grandad	**Dermot O'Neill**	Mark Brown	**Pat Shields**
Cathy Brown	**Jennifer Gibney**	Maria Brown	**Fiona O'Carroll**
Rory Brown	**Damien McKiernan**	Trevor Brown	**Martin Delany**
Dino Doyle	**Gary Hollywood**	Father Damien	**Conor Moloney**
Winnie McGoogan	**Eilish O'Carroll**	Barbara	**Emily Regan**
Dr Flynn	**Derek Reddin**	Mr Foley	**Mike Nolan**
Dermot Brown	**Paddy Houlihan**	Bono	**Jamie O'Carroll**
Buster Brady	**Danny O'Carroll**	Clyde	**Kevin Kennedy**
Sharon McGoogan	**Fiona Gibney**	Hillary Nicholson	**Susie Blake**
Garda Kingston	**Conor Gibney**	Security	**Mark Sheridan**
Peggy Piper	**Sue Vincent**	Radio DJ	**Peter Price**

Writer Brendan O'Carroll; Director Ben Kellett Producers Ben Kellett, Sam Michell and Fiona Gibney (S) (HD)

11.00 BBC News (S) (HD)

11.05 Match of the Day

Highlights include Manchester City v Everton. (S) (HD)

12.40am Top of the Pops New Year With Lewis Capaldi and Jack Savoretti. Shown Monday 30 December 4.45pm (S) (HD)
1.40 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) (HD)
1.45–6.00am BBC News (S) (HD)

BBC1 **Freeview** 1 **Freesat** 101 **Sky** 101 **Virgin** 101
HD **Freeview** 101 **Freesat** 106 **Sky** 115 **Virgin** 108

BBC2



Earth's Tropical Islands *9.00pm* The panther chameleon is one of many varieties on Madagascar

2.25pm The Magnificent Seven ★★★★★

Classic western. The inhabitants of a small Mexican village hire seven gunmen to protect them from a group of bandits. **Review page 92.**

Chris	**Yul Brynner**	O'Reilly	**Charles Bronson**
Vin	**Steve McQueen**	Lee	**Robert Vaughn**
Calvera	**Eli Wallach**	Harry Luck	**Brad Dexter**

Director John Sturges (1960, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

4.30 The Archbishop of Canterbury's New Year Message

How communities can be sources of hope. Producer Garry Boon; Executive producer Hugh Faupel Shown 1pm BBC1 (S) (SL) (HD)

4.35 Final Score

A round-up of this afternoon's football results. (S) (HD)

5.30 Romeo and Juliet: Beyond Words

RT Ballet, theatre, film and music combine in this cinematic reimagining of Shakespeare's seminal love story by renowned directors Michael Nunn and William Trevitt. **See p218.**

Romeo	**William Bracewell**	Lady Capulet	**Kristen McNally**
Juliet	**Francesca Hayward**	Paris	**Tomas Mock**
Tybalt	**Matthew Ball**	Friar Laurence	**Bennet Gartside**
Mercutio	**Marcelino Sambé**	The Nurse	**Romany Pajdak**
Benvolio	**James Hay**	Harlots	**Laura Morera,**
Lord Capulet	**Christopher Saunders**		**Beatriz Stix-Brunell, Tierney Heap**

Directors Michael Nunn and William Trevitt Producers Michael Nunn, William Trevitt and Kwesi Dickson (S) (HD)

See feature: page 32

7.00 MasterChef: the Professionals Rematch 2019

Five of the competition's most successful past contestants demonstrate how their food has evolved. Shown Monday 23 December 8pm (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Only Connect

Two former teams with a connection to drinks return for a "happy hour" special. Victoria Coren Mitchell hosts. Another edition tomorrow 8pm. (S) (HD)

8.30 Christmas University Challenge

8/10. The first semi-final of the academic quiz's festive series. Hosted by Jeremy Paxman. (S) (HD)

9.00 Earth's Tropical Islands

RT ***New series. 1/3.*** **Madagascar.** This series visits isolated tropical islands boasting remarkable wildlife found nowhere else, exploring how their fragility provides a vital gauge of the health of our planet. This edition looks at the oldest island in the world, famed for its lemurs but also home to the largest collection of unique species to be found on any island. Another edition tomorrow 9pm. **See p218.** Producer Sara Douglas; Series producer Kathryn Jeffs (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 Dara O Briain: Voice of Reason

An exclusive chance to see the comedian's Voice of Reason live show from 2019. Director Chris Howe; Producers Stuart Laws and Nick Long (S) (HD)

11.00 A Year in the Life of a Year 2019

RT A spoof look at the cultural events of the past 12 months, presented by Rhys Thomas. **See p219.** Executive producer Ben Caudell (S) (HD)

11.30 Frankie Boyle's New World Order

The comedian tries to make sense of 2017. (R) (S) (HD)

12.15am 2018's biggest news stories. (R) (S) (HD)
1.00 Dissecting the past 12 months with guests Sara Pascoe and Miles Jupp. Shown Mon 30 December 10pm (S) (HD)

1.45–4.05am Sign Zone **1.45 See Hear** Weekly magazine. With voiceover. Shown 6.15am (S) (HD)

2.15 The Limehouse Golem ★★★★ Period murder mystery with Bill Nighy. A series of murders in Victorian London sees Inspector Kildare assigned to the case. **Film of the Day: p86.** Director Juan Carlos Medina (2016, 15) Shown Friday 27 December 9.30pm (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

BBC2 **Freeview** 2 **Freesat** 102 **Sky** 102 **Virgin** 102
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ITV



Bancroft *9.00pm* The detective has been promoted, but her colleague Cliff Walker still has his suspicions

4.00pm Tipping Point
Ben Shephard hosts the arcade-themed quiz in which contestants drop tokens down a choice of four chutes in a bid to win £10,000. (S) (HD)

5.00 The Chase
Bradley Walsh presents as contestants Josie, Paul, OJ and Barry team up and pit their wits against ruthless quiz genius the Chaser. (S) (HD)

6.00 Catchphrase
Stephen Mulhern hosts the quiz show where the contestants must "say what they see" as they try to win the big-money jackpot. (R) (S) (HD)

6.40 ITV News Weather (S) (HD)

7.00 Emmerdale
While Victoria is full of love for her new baby, Aaron is downbeat about the year ahead.
Writer Samantha Doland de Vaux For cast see page 231/241
Repeated tomorrow 7.45am and 11.55am ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Coronation Street
Tracy wakes up naked and hungover, and realises she has cheated on Steve. As she and her latest flame row in the street, Amy approaches and realises with horror who her mum has spent the night with.
Writer Damon Alexis-Rochefort For cast see page 123/201
Repeated tomorrow 8.50am and 12.55pm ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Bancroft
RT ***New series. 1/3*** *Series 2.* The crime drama returns. Now promoted to Detective Chief Superintendent, Elizabeth Bancroft enjoys professional success but at great personal cost. When a double murder leads to an unexpected reunion, she is forced onto the sidelines by Detective Superintendent Jake Harper. But as new enemies emerge, old foes make their move. Continues tomorrow 9pm. **See p219.** (S) (AD) (HD)

DCS Elizabeth Bancroft	**Sarah Parish**	Naila Kamara	**Shameem Ahmad**
Det Supt Jake Harper	**David Avery**	Michael Connors	**Paul Bown**
Annabel Connors	**Charlotte Hope**	Harry Walker	**Graham Butler**
Joe Bancroft	**Adam Long**	Martin Mullen	**Dominic Doughty**
Carol Bancroft	**Francesca Annis**	DC Sally Reed	**Yemisi Oyinloye**
DI George Morris	**Lee Boardman**	DS Richard Potter	**James Quinn**
DS Andy Bevan	**Charles Babalola**	Adam Mullen	**Tom Wells**
Chief Constable Frances Holland	**Jacqueline Boatswain**	Charlotte Hampton	**Alice Feetham**
		Pathologist	**Arinder Sadhra**
Daanish Kamara	**Ryan McKen**	Uniform officer	**Thea Beyleveld**
Supt Cliff Walker	**Adrian Edmondson**	Head teacher	**Deborah Moore**
Lee Parkes	**Paul Adeyefa**	Doctor	**John Draycott**

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10.20 ITV News Weather (S) (HD)

10.35 The Hangover ★★★★
Comedy starring Bradley Cooper, Zach Galifianakis and Ed Helms. Three friends wake up in a wrecked Vegas hotel room following a stag night for their friend Doug. As the day progresses the wild events of the night before fall into place – all they have to do now is find the groom. **Review page 93.**

Phil Wenneck	**Bradley Cooper**	Sid	**Jeffrey Tambor**
Alan Garner	**Zach Galifianakis**	Tracy Garner	**Sasha Barrese**
Stu Price	**Ed Helms**	Mr Chow	**Ken Jeong**
Jade	**Heather Graham**	Mike Tyson	**Himself**
Doug Billings	**Justin Bartha**		

Director Todd Phillips (2009, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.35am Home Shopping
3.00 Through the Keyhole An *I'm a Celebrity...Get Me Out of Here* special, with Myleene Klass, Jimmy Carr, Tony Blackburn and Stacey Solomon. (R) (S) (SL) (HD)
3.50 Nightscreen Text information. (HD)
5.05–6.00am Judge Rinder (R) (S) (SL) (HD)

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Channel 4



Mission: Impossible – Fallout *9.00pm* Ethan Hunt (Tom Cruise) is soon to be the hunted

3.40pm Back to the Future Part II
★★★ Sequel to the time-travelling comedy adventure. Barely back to 1985 after his original jaunt, Marty McFly is whisked forward to 2015. Marty's mission is to prevent a crime involving his son before he disgraces the family.

Marty McFly/Marty McFly Jr/Marlene McFly	**Michael J Fox**	Biff Tannen/Griff Tannen	**Thomas F Wilson**
Dr Emmett Brown	**Christopher Lloyd**	Marvin Berry	**Harry Waters Jr**
Jennifer	**Elisabeth Shue**	Terry	**Charles Fleischer**
Lorraine	**Lea Thompson**	Western Union man	**Joe Flaherty**

Director Robert Zemeckis (1989, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

5.50 Channel 4 News; Sport; Weather (S) (HD)

6.00 The Lion King ★★★★
Oscar-winning animated musical adventure, featuring songs by Elton John and Tim Rice. Simba, a lion cub born to be king, learns the hard way to accept the burdens that come with his birthright. **Review p93; See choice, p219.**
Featuring the voices of:

Adult Simba	**Matthew Broderick**	Young Nala	**Niketa Calame**
		Pumbaa	**Ernie Sabella**
Scar	**Jeremy Irons**	Timon	**Nathan Lane**
Young Simba	**Jonathan Taylor Thomas**	Rafiki	**Robert Guillaume**
		Zazu	**Rowan Atkinson**
Mufasa	**James Earl Jones**	Sarabi	**Madge Sinclair**
Adult Nala	**Moira Kelly**	Shenzi the Hyena	**Whoopi Goldberg**

Directors Roger Allers and Rob Minkoff (1994, U) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

7.40 The Great Festive Bake Off
RT *Derry Girls* cast members Saoirse-Monica Jackson, Nicola Coughlan, Jamie-Lee O'Donnell, Dylan Llewellyn and Siobhan McSweeney compete for the Star Baker title as Noel, Sandi, Prue and Paul welcome the London Community Gospel Choir into the tent to sing in the new year. **See page 218.**
Director Luke Byrne; Series producer Jenna Mansfield
Repeated 11.05pm 4seven (S) (AD) (HD)
RT BOOKS To order *The Great British Bake Off: the Big Book of Amazing Cakes* for £18 including p&p, call 03302 232 639 or visit radiotimes.com/shop52

9.00 Mission: Impossible – Fallout
P ★★★★★ Action spy thriller. Ethan Hunt is sent to Berlin to buy three stolen plutonium cores before a terrorist group can get a hold of them. But after a hostage crisis leads to the failure of the mission, Hunt is targeted by a CIA assassin. **Film of the Day: page 93.**

Ethan Hunt	**Tom Cruise**	The White Widow	**Vanessa Kirby**
Ilsa Faust	**Rebecca Ferguson**	Julia	**Michelle Monaghan**
August Walker	**Henry Cavill**	Erica Sloan	**Angela Bassett**
Benji Dunn	**Simon Pegg**	Patrick	**Wes Bentley**
Luther Stickell	**Ving Rhames**	Zola	**Frederick Schmidt**
Alan Hunley	**Alec Baldwin**	Nils Debruuk	**Kristoffer Joner**
Solomon Lane	**Sean Harris**	Zola enforcer	**Joey Ansah**

Director Christopher McQuarrie (2018, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.50 Red 2 ★★★
Action comedy sequel. The team of elderly secret agents is forced back into action to track down a nuclear device left over from the Cold War that still poses a threat to world peace. Unfortunately, the one person who can help them has spent the last 32 years in an asylum for the criminally insane. **Review page 93.**

Frank Moses	**Bruce Willis**	Victoria	**Helen Mirren**
Marvin Boggs	**John Malkovich**	Sarah Ross	**Mary-Louise Parker**
Edward Bailey	**Anthony Hopkins**	Katja	**Catherine Zeta-Jones**

Director Dean Parisot (2013, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.50am Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA Gordon revisits three previous restaurants he tried to save. (R) (S)
2.40 Come Dine with Me In Colchester. (R) (S) (HD)
5.00 Kirstie's Celebrity Craft Masters Famous faces take on tough craft challenges. (R) (S) (SL) (HD)
5.55–6.05am Kirstie's Vintage Gems A couple's bedroom receives a makeover. (R) (S) (HD)

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BBC4



New Year's Day Concert from Vienna *7.00pm* Join Petroc Trelawny for highlights

7.00pm New Year's Day Concert from Vienna
Highlights of this year's concert from the Golden Hall of the Musikverein in Vienna, led for the first time by celebrated Latvian conductor Andris Nelsons, who guides the Vienna Philharmonic in an array of polkas, waltzes and gallops by the Strauss family and their contemporaries. Presented by Petroc Trelawny.
Shown 10.15am BBC2 (Revised rpt) (S) (HD)
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9.00 The Ipcress File ★★★★
Spy thriller based on Len Deighton's 1962 novel of the same name. Intelligence agent Harry Palmer is plunged into the shabby, treacherous world of counter-espionage as he uncovers a bizarre "brain drain" among scientists. Nobody can be trusted and nothing is what it seems.

Harry Palmer	**Michael Caine**
Dalby	**Nigel Green**
Colonel Ross	**Guy Doleman**
Jean Courtney	**Sue Lloyd**
Jock Carswell	**Gordon Jackson**
Radcliffe	**Aubrey Richards**
Bluejay/Grantby	**Frank Gatliff**
Barney	**Thomas Baptiste**
Housemartin	**Oliver MacGreevy**

Director Sidney J Furie (1965, PG) (S) (W)

10.45 Michael Caine: Talking Pictures
The life of actor Sir Michael Caine, star of movies such as *The Ipcress File*, *The Italian Job, Zulu, Hannah and Her Sisters, Harry Brown* and *The Dark Knight* is told through the use of rare TV interviews and classic archive clips. Narrated by Sylvia Syms. (R) (S) (HD)

11.35 Inspector Montalbano
Series 1. **The Artist's Touch.** Goldsmith Alberto Larussa is found dead in his wheelchair, which he appears to have converted into an electric chair in order to commit suicide. But Montalbano takes a different view of the case when he discovers that the dead man's will is a forgery. Italian +subtitles. Another episode tomorrow 10.30pm. (R) (HD)

Salvo Montalbano	**Luca Zingaretti**
Livia Burlando	**Katharina Bohm**
Mimi Augello	**Cesare Bocci**
Galluzzo	**Davide Lo Verde**
Fazio	**Peppino Mazzotta**
Catarella	**Angelo Russo**
Jacomuzzi	**Giovanni Guardiano**
Emma Morpurgo	**Ileana Rigano**
Anna Tropeano	**Biancamaria D'Amato**
Antuofermo	**Antonino Bellomo**
Judge Lo Bianco	**Pippo Montalbano**
Nicolo Zito	**Roberto Nobile**
Giacomo Larussa	**Luigi Burruano**

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1.10am Arena: American Epic *1/4.* The pioneers of roots music in the US. (R) (S) (HD)
2.10–3.10am The Sky at Night Maggie Aderin-Pocock explores comets and asteroids. Shown Sunday 29 December 10pm (S) (SL)

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4.30–4.35pm Resolutions: signed
7.00 Mini Disco Divas: ten-year-old Hannah dances competitively for the first time
7.30 Emeli Sandé's Street Symphony: the buskers are chosen and put through their paces by conductor John Logan and voice coach Yvie Burnett
8.30 Roaming in the Wild: Andrew O'Donnell and Mark Taylor explore Loch Morar
9.00 FILM: Last Breath: *Storyville* documentary drama about a diver stuck on the sea bed with no prospect of being rescued **10.25** The Comedians at the King's **10.55** Two Doors Down: secrets come out on Hogmanay
11.50–12 midnight Asset Management: short thriller

STV
12.35am Flying Scotsman with Robson Green **1.25** Nightscreen **5.05–6.00** Judge Rinder

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New Year's Day

Channel 5 5



Bridget Jones's Diary *9.00pm* The singleton's luck is about to change

Freeview 5 **Freesat** 105 **Sky** 105 **Virgin** 105
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6.00am Milkshake! See page 225

9.05 Access (S) (HD)

9.10 Friends Rachel joins Joey on the set of his soap opera. (S) (HD)

9.45 Joey throws a party. (S) (HD)

10.15 Oliver! ★★★★ Oscar-winning film version of Lionel Bart's musical, with Ron Moody, Oliver Reed and Mark Lester.
Director Carol Reed (1968, U) (S) (W) (HD)

1.15pm Neighbours Rptd 5.55pm (S) (AD) (HD)

1.40 Cool Runnings ★★★★ Sports comedy based on a true story, starring John Candy. A Jamaican sprinter forms his country's first Olympic bobsleigh team.
Director Jon Turteltaub (1993, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

3.45pm Jumanji ★★★★ Fantasy adventure. A boy gets trapped in a magical board game he unearthed on a building site. Twenty-six years later, two children discover the game and unleash its magic. **Review page 92.**

Alan Parrish	**Robin Williams**
Van Pelt/Sam Parrish	**Jonathan Hyde**
Judy	**Kirsten Dunst**
Peter	**Bradley Pierce**
Sarah	**Bonnie Hunt**

Director Joe Johnston (1995, PG) (S) (W) (HD)

5.55 Neighbours
Toadie finds a way to bring Sonya back into Nell and Hugo's lives.
Shown 1.15pm (S) (AD) (HD)

6.20 The Two Ronnies: the Unseen Sketches
For the first time ever, British audiences have the chance to see the best of the comedy duo's work Down Under.
Shown Christmas Day 9.30pm (S) (HD)

7.30 *New.* World's Strongest Man: the Final
The final of the showpiece strongman event in Bradenton, Florida, as the ten qualifiers from the five heats compete.
Repeated tomorrow 12.15pm (S) (HD)
Followed by **5 News Update** (S) (HD)

9.00 Bridget Jones's Diary ★★★★
Romantic comedy. Weight-obsessed 30-something Bridget Jones is busy lamenting her lack of a good man when two come along at once. **Review p93.**

Bridget Jones	**Renée Zellweger**
Mark Darcy	**Colin Firth**
Daniel Cleaver	**Hugh Grant**
Bridget's dad	**Jim Broadbent**
Bridget's mum	**Gemma Jones**

Director Sharon Maguire (2001, 15) (S) (W) (HD)

10.55 Most Shocking Celebrity Moments
Candid camera shots and humorous outtakes, as celebrities get themselves into all kinds of surprising scrapes.
Shown Friday 27 December 9.30pm (S) (HD)

1.45am *New.* Casino (S) (HD) **3.40** The Funny Thing about Kids (S) (SL) (HD) **4.30** House Doctor (S) (SL) (HD) **4.55** Never Teach Your Wife to Drive (S) (SL) **5.45–6.00am** Access (S) (HD)

+1 **Freeview** 44 **Freesat** 128 **Sky** 205 **Virgin** 155

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ITV2 6



Fast & Furious 8 *9.00pm* Dom is in the grip of cyber-terrorist Cipher

F'view 6 **F'sat** 113 **Sky** 118 **Virgin** 115 **HD** **Virgin** 176

6.00am Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **6.10** I'm a Celebrity…Jungle Fever (S) (HD) **7.00** The Boxer and the Ballroom Dancer (S) (AD) (HD) **8.05** Emmerdale (S) (AD) (HD) **8.40** Coronation Street (S) (AD) (HD) **9.10** You've Been Framed!: Gold (S) **9.40 FILM** Looney Tunes: Back in Action ★★ Part-animated fantasy (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **11.30** Emmerdale Shown yesterday 7pm ITV (S) (AD) (HD)

12 noon Coronation Street Shown yesterday 7.30pm ITV (S) (AD) (HD) **12.30pm FILM** Happy Feet Two ★★★ Musical animated adventure (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **2.35 FILM** Hotel Transylvania ★★ Animated comedy with the voice of Adam Sandler (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **4.20** Minion Madness (S) (HD) **4.45 FILM** Minions ★★★ Animated comedy featuring the voice of Sandra Bullock. **Review page 92** (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

6.35pm Jurassic World ★★★★
Sci-fi adventure starring Chris Pratt and Bryce Dallas Howard. Over 20 years after the disaster at Jurassic Park, a new attraction is opened on the same site. This time the big draw is a beast genetically created by scientists. **Review page 81.**
Director Colin Trevorrow (2015, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

9.00 Fast & Furious 8 ★★★★
Action adventure. The whole team have dispersed to live quieter lives. But with Dom seemingly seduced into a life of techno terrorism by the mysterious Cipher, it looks like the opportunity to put their feet up will have to wait.

Dom	**Vin Diesel**
Hobbs	**Dwayne Johnson**
Cipher	**Charlize Theron**
Deckard	**Jason Statham**
Letty	**Michelle Rodriguez**

Director F Gary Gray (2017, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.40 Family Guy
Series 7. Bonnie gives birth. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.10am *Series 15.* Peter gets locked in a library and does some reading. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.35 American Dad! (S) (AD) (HD) **1.35** Celebrity Juice: Bestest Bits 2015 (S) (HD)
2.30–3.30am Hell's Kitchen (S) (HD)

ITV2+1 **Freeview** 27 **Freesat** 114 **Sky** 218 **Virgin** 116

ITV3 10



Elton John: the Nation's Favourite Song *8.40pm* The Rocketman's career

F'view 10 **F'sat** 115 **Sky** 119 **Virgin** 117 **HD** **Virgin** 177

6.00am The Royal (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** George & Mildred (S) **8.10 FILM** The Secret Garden ★★★★ Period drama starring Kate Maberly (S) (W) (HD) **10.15 FILM** The Wizard of Oz ★★★★★ Classic musical fantasy starring Judy Garland, Ray Bolger, Bert Lahr and Jack Haley. When a huge tornado hits Dorothy's home, she is whisked off into a strange and dazzling world. **Review p92** (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.15pm Goodbye Mr Chips **See choice, p168** (S) (AD) **2.20 FILM** Carry On Matron ★★★ Comedy starring Sidney James (S) (AD) (W) **4.05** Agatha Christie's Marple (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm The Royal Variety Performance
Rob Beckett and Romesh Ranganathan host the annual bonanza of music, comedy and more from the London Palladium, in the presence of the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge. (S) (HD)

8.40 Elton John: the Nation's Favourite Song
The superstar talks to friend and fan David Walliams about his extraordinary career, and his songwriting partnership with lyricist Bernie Taupin spanning 50 years. Elton reveals how his classic songs came about in a top 20 countdown, which culminates with the one that ITV viewers have voted as their favourite. (S) (AD) (HD)
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10.20 Vera
1/4 *Series 9.* **Blind Spot.** When the body of Joanne Caswell, a newly-qualified forensic psychologist, is found on a landfill site far from her home, Vera focuses on Joanne's own caseload in the hope of uncovering clues as to the identity of her killer. (S) (AD) (HD)
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12.15am A Touch of Frost (S) (SL) (AD) **2.30** On the Buses (BW) **3.00–3.30am** Nightscreen

+1 **F'view** 34 *(9pm–midnight)* **F'sat** 116 **Sky** 219 **Virgin** 174

Drama 20



Pride and Prejudice *12.35pm* Elizabeth gets to know Mr Darcy

Freeview 20 **Freesat** 158 **Sky** 143 **Virgin** 130

7.35am Soldier Soldier (S) **8.35** The Bill (S) **9.35** Classic Holby City **10.35** Classic Casualty **11.35** The Bill (S)

12.35pm Pride and Prejudice: adaptation of Jane Austen's novel about the ripples caused by the arrival of a wealthy gentleman and his haughty friend in a Hertfordshire community. Colin Firth stars (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00pm Father Brown
12/15 *Series 3.* **The Standing Stones**
The priest investigates when a body is found at the stone circle in a polio-stricken village, leading him to conclude that dark forces are involved. (S) (AD) (HD)

Ginnie Godden	**Holly Lucas**
Sylvia Swann	**Maya Grant**
Insp Sullivan	**Tom Chambers**
Walt Everett	**Mark Benton**
Father Brown	**Mark Williams**

9.00 Death in Paradise
4/8 *Series 6.* **Stumped in Murder**
The president of the Saint Marie cricket club is found shot dead in the centre of the team's ground. As the sun rises over the island, suspicion falls on his team-mates. (S) (AD) (HD)

DI Humphrey Goodman	**Kris Marshall**
Officer Dwayne Myers	**Danny John-Jules**
DS Florence Cassell	**Joséphine Jobert**
Officer JP Hooper	**Tobi Bakare**
Jerome Martin	**Treva Etienne**

10.20 New Tricks
3/10 *Series 11.* **Deep Swimming.** The team tries to unravel the story behind the relationship between an undercover police officer and a Greenham Common activist. Sasha's ex-husband Ned tries to win her back. Is she tempted? Or has too much water passed under the bridge? (S) (AD) (HD)

11.40 Taggart
2/3 *Series 1.* **Dead Ringer.** A woman's remains are found under the floorboards of a Glasgow house, and a baby is kidnapped from a multi-storey car park. (S)
2.20–4.00am The House of Eliott (S)

Drama +1 **Sky** 243 **Virgin** 226

ITV4 24

F'view 24 **F'sat** 117 **Sky** 120 **Virgin** 118 **HD** **Virgin** 178

6.00am World Cup Rivalries: England v Argentina (S) (HD) **6.20** The Protectors (S) **6.45** The Chase (S) (HD) **7.35** Columbo: Death Hits the Jackpot (S) (SL) (HD) **9.35** Minder (S) (AD) **10.40** The Professionals (S) (AD) **11.50 FILM** The Far Country ★★★ (S) (W) (HD)

1.55pm FILM The War Wagon ★★★ (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **4.00 FILM** The Towering Inferno ★★★★ Disaster movie. **Review p92** (S) (W) (HD)

7.15pm FILM Police Academy 3: Back in Training ★★ Comedy with Steve Guttenberg. When cutbacks mean the closure of one of the state's two police academies, both institutions become locked in a desperate battle for survival. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

9.00 FILM The Blues Brothers ★★★★ Musical comedy starring John Belushi and Dan Aykroyd as brothers Jake and Elwood Blues, who re-form their band to raise money for their old orphanage. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.40 An Audience with Billy Connolly The comedian entertains a celebrity crowd. (S)

12.45am Minder (S) (SL) (AD) **1.50** Fishing Impossible (S) (HD) **2.50–3.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITV4 +1 **Freesat** 154 **Sky** 220 **Virgin** 175

ITVBe 26

F'view 26 **F'sat** 118 **Sky** 131 **Virgin** 119 **HD** **Virgin** 179

7.00am The Bachelorette: double bill (S) (HD) **8.50** Be Tasty (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** LittleBe (HD)

12 noon Cake Wars (HD) **12.55pm** Celebrity Dinner Date (S) (AD) (HD) **1.55** The Real Housewives of Cheshire (S) (HD)

7.00pm The Real Housewives of Cheshire: 100 Episodes Young The women gather to celebrate 100 episodes. (S) (HD)
8.00 Celebrity Dinner Date (S) (AD) (HD)
9.00 Botched: Most Outrageous Celebrity Patients The top ten most memorable encounters with famous people. (S) (AD) (HD)
9.30 Botched: Most Outrageous before and After Beverly Hills plastic surgeons Terry Dubrow and Paul Nassif review memorable cases. (S) (AD) (HD)
10.00 Botched Terry Dubrow helps a cancer survivor reconstruct her breasts. (HD)
11.00 The Millionaire Matchmaker With professional tennis player Sam Querrey. (S) (HD)
11.55 The Only Way Is Essex Billie and Cara hold an "EsSex and the City"-themed Valentine's Day party. (S) (HD)
12.45–12.55am Nightscreen (HD)

ITVBe +1 **Freesat** 119 **Sky** 231 **Virgin** 120

Dave 19

F'view 19 **F'sat** 157 **Sky** 111 **Virgin** 127 **HD** **Virgin** 227 **BT** 387

7.10am Modern Wheels or Classic Steals (S) (HD) **8.00** Soapbox Race (HD) **9.00** Eddie Eats America (HD) **10.00** American Pickers: Best Of (S) (HD) **11.00** American Pickers (S) (HD)

12 noon Soapbox Race (HD) **2.00pm** Gavin & Stacey: six episodes (S) (AD) (HD)

6.00pm *New.* Soapbox Race An extraordinary Red Bull Soapbox course at the Yomiuriland Amusement Park in Tokyo. (HD)
7.00 QI With guests Bill Bailey, Dara O Briain and Phill Jupitus. Stephen Fry hosts. (S)
7.40 Would I Lie to You? With Mel Giedroyc, David Haye and Martin Kemp. (HD)
8.20 With Nadiya Hussain, Diane Morgan, Bob Mortimer and Michael Smiley. (HD)
9.00 QI Guests include Jessica Hynes. (S)
9.40 FILM Pulp Fiction ★★★★★ Quentin Tarantino's award-winning multi-stranded crime drama, starring John Travolta, Samuel L Jackson and Uma Thurman. **Review page 93.** (W) (HD)
12.40am Taskmaster: Champion of Champions (S) (HD) **1.40** Alan Davies: as Yet Untitled (S) (HD)
2.35–4.00am Alan Davies: Xmas Untitled (S) (HD)

Dave Ja Vu **Freeview** 79 **Sky** 211 **Virgin** 131

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New Year's Day

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Guy Martin's Great Escape *9.00pm* Re-enacting a famous film stunt

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8.55am Food Unwrapped (S) (AD) (HD)
9.30 Come Dine with Me (S) (HD)
12.05pm Four in a Bed (S) (HD) **2.40** Come Dine with Me (S) (HD) **5.25 FILM** The Dam Busters ★★★★★ Second World War drama with Richard Todd. **Review p92** (BW) (S) (W) (HD)

7.55pm The Dambusters' Great Escape: Secret History
The story of the RAF's successful mission to sink the German battleship *Tirpitz* in November 1944, with accounts from surviving crew, fighter pilots and sailors. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Guy Martin's Great Escape
The petrolhead attempts to re-create the motorcycle stunt in *The Great Escape*, in which Steve McQueen's character, Captain Hilts, steals a motorbike and tries to jump two border fences into Switzerland – but in this case without crashing. (S) (HD)

11.05 Sarah Millican: Chatterbox Live
During a stand-up show recorded in London in 2011, the convivial comedian shares humorous insights into her life, including the perils of living alone. (S) (HD)

12.05am Father Ted (S) (AD) **2.15** Eight out of Ten Cats Does Countdown (S) (HD)
3.20–3.50am Father Ted (S) (AD)

More4 +1 **Freeview** 86 **Freesat** 125 **Sky** 236 **Virgin** 196

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F'view 13 **F'sat** 122 **Sky** 135 **Virgin** 106 **HD** **Virgin** 145

6.00am Speechless (AD) **6.30** The Goldbergs (AD) **7.00** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **7.30** Celebrity Christmas Come Dine with Me **8.00** How I Met Your Mother (AD) **9.00** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **10.00** Rude(ish) Tube Shorts **10.10** We're Going on a Bear Hunt (AD) **10.45 FILM** Diary of a Wimpy Kid 3: Dog Days ★★ (W)
12.40pm FILM The Book of Life ★★★★ Animated comedy with the voices of Diego Luna, Zoë Saldana and Channing Tatum. **Review p92** (W) **2.30** The Big Bang Theory (AD)
6.20pm The Big Bang Theory *22/23 Series 3.* The origins of Sheldon and Leonard's friendship are revealed.
6.50 *23/24 Series 12.* Sheldon and Amy await a call that could bring big news.
7.20 *24/24.* Howard and Bernadette go away on a trip without their children. (AD)
7.50 FILM Pitch Perfect 2 ★★★ Musical comedy starring Anna Kendrick. (W)
10.05 FILM The Inbetweeners 2 ★★★ Comedy starring Simon Bird, Joe Thomas, James Buckley and Blake Harrison. (AD) (W)
12.05am The Inbetweeners: six editions of the comedy (SL) (AD) **3.25** Naked Attraction (SL) (AD) **4.20** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **5.10–6.00am** How I Met Your Mother (AD)

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9.00am A Very British Country House (AD) **12 noon** A Place in the Sun **1.00pm** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun **4.00** Christmas at Chatsworth House (AD) **5.00** Child Genius vs Celebrities (AD) **6.00** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **9.00** The Big Fat Quiz of the Year: with Richard Ayoade, Noel Fielding, Roisin Conaty, Maya Jama and Dara O Briain **11.05** RT **CHOICE** The Great Festive Bake Off **See page 218** Shown 7.40pm C4 (AD) **12.25am** Gogglebox: best moments from the series (AD) **2.30–4.30am** The Last Leg of the Year

Paramount Network 54



Burlesque *9.00pm* Ali Rose (Christina Aguilera) heads to Hollywood

F'view 54 **F'sat** 132 **Sky** 153 **Virgin** 188 **HD** **Virgin** 187

9.00am The Office US: double bill (HD)
9.55 Now That's Funny!: double bill (S) (HD)
12 noon Presumed Guilty: Chronicle Mysteries 2 (HD) **1.50pm FILM** Sex, Lies and Deception ★★ Thriller (HD) **3.35 FILM** Deadly Secrets by the Lake ★★ Mystery with Stefanie von Pfetten (HD) **5.25 FILM** The Deadly Twin ★★ Mystery thriller (HD)

7.10pm The Art of Murder: Garage Sale Mystery An antique store owner discovers a body in an attic. (HD)

9.00 Burlesque ★★★
Musical drama starring Christina Aguilera and Cher. An Iowa waitress with a head full of dreams heads to Hollywood and takes a job as a waitress at an old-fashioned burlesque bar.
Director Steve Antin (2010, 12) (HD)

11.25 28 Days Later... ★★★★
Sci-fi horror starring Cillian Murphy and Naomie Harris. A bike courier wakes from a coma to find a virus has turned people into murderous maniacs.
Director Danny Boyle (2002, 18) (HD)

1.40am LA to Vegas: Ronnie applies for a job (HD) **2.15** Sleepy Hollow (S) (HD) **3.55** CSI: Miami (S) **4.40** The Office US (HD) **5.00** Neighbours (S) (AD) (HD) **5.30** Access (S) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** The Office US (HD)

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7.00am Caught Red Handed **9.00** 999 Frontline **12 noon** Border Security: Canada's Front Line **2.00pm** To Catch a Smuggler: JFK Airport (AD) **6.00** To Catch a Smuggler: JFK Airport: law enforcement agents detain a man carrying 4kg of cocaine, and he refuses to reveal the intended recipient of the package (AD) **7.00** The Chase Celebrity Special: double bill. Diarmuid Gavin, Helen Skelton, Arlene Phillips and Micky Flanagan take on the Chaser, before Christopher Bisson, Gareth Thomas, Naga Munchetty and Harry Judd try their luck **9.00** TV's Greatest Gameshows **11.00** Caught on Dashcam **4.00am** Road Wars **5.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol: double bill

Pick +1 **Freeview** 92 **Freesat** 145 **Sky** 252

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6.00am The Waltons **7.00 FILM** Starsky and Hutch ★★★ **8.30** Charlie's Angels **10.00** Hart to Hart **12 noon FILM** Murder, She Wrote: the Last Free Man ★★ **1.45pm** Murder, She Wrote **3.30 FILM** Murder, She Wrote: South by Southwest ★★ **5.15 FILM** Murder, She Wrote: a Story to Die For ★★ **7.00** M*A*S*H **9.00** Who Wants To Be A Millionaire? **12 midnight** M*A*S*H **2.00am** The Persuaders! **3.00** M*A*S*H **3.30** The Waltons **4.20** Touched by an Angel **5.10–6.00am** Highway to Heaven

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Horror Channel 70

Freeview 70 **Freesat** 138 **Sky** 317 **Virgin** 149

8.00am seaQuest DSV **9.00** Star Trek: Voyager **10.00** Star Trek **11.00** Jason and the Argonauts **2.35pm** Tales from the Darkside **3.00** Sliders **4.00 FILM** Planet of the Sharks ★★ Action horror starring Brandon Auret **5.50** Highlights **6.00pm** Star Trek **7.00** Star Trek: Voyager **8.00** Mutant X **9.00 FILM** The Woman in Black ★★★ Horror thriller starring Daniel Radcliffe **11.00 FILM** I Spit on Your Grave ★★ Horror remake starring Sarah Butler **1.00am FILM** Outpost: Rise of the Spetsnaz ★ Action horror sequel **2.45–4.30am FILM** Empire of the Sharks ★★ Sci-fi horror

5 USA 21

Freeview 21 **Freesat** 129 **Sky** 141 **Virgin** 153

9.00am Access **9.10** CSI: NY **11.40** The NCIS Movie: Shell Shock (S) (HD) **1.25pm** Columbo: a Deadly State of Mind (S) **3.05** Columbo: By Dawn's Early Light (S) **5.05** Law & Order (S) **8.00** NCIS (S) **10.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit *Series 17.* Triple bill. The hunt for a missing teenage girl takes an emotional toll on Sgt Dodds **10.55** Barba relies on decades-old evidence as he seeks to prosecute a child abductor **11.55** A high-school student succumbs to the flirtatious advances of a female teacher (S) (AD)
12.50am CSI: NY (S) **1.45** Longmire (S)
2.55–4.00am Criminals: Caught on Camera

5 USA +1 **F'view** 57 (not 2-4am) **F'sat** 130 **Sky** 241 **Virgin** 185

5 Star 30

Freeview 30 **Freesat** 131 **Sky** 128 **Virgin** 151

8.00am 3rd Rock from the Sun (S) (HD)
8.20 Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away (S) (HD)
10.55 World's Strongest Man (S) (HD)
12.50pm FILM Bride Wars ★★ Comedy (S) (HD) **2.40 FILM** Big Momma's House 2 ★★ Comedy sequel starring Martin Lawrence (S) (HD) **4.35 FILM** What Happens in Vegas ★★ Romantic comedy starring Cameron Diaz and Ashton Kutcher (S) (HD) **6.35 FILM** Blended ★★ Comedy starring Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore (S) (HD) **9.00 FILM** 50 First Dates ★★★ Romantic comedy starring Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore. **Review page 93** (HD) **10.55 FILM** The Wedding Singer ★★★★ Romantic comedy (HD)
12.55am A Gypsy Christmas (S) (HD)
1.55 Wentworth Prison (S) (AD) (HD)
3.55–4.00am Access (S) (HD)

5 Star +1 **Freeview** 56 **Sky** 228 **Virgin** 186

5 Spike 31

Freeview 31 **Freesat** 141 **Sky** 150 **Virgin** 154

9.00am The A-Team (AD) (HD) **10.00** Traffic Cops: on the Edge (HD) **11.00 FILM** The Battle of the V1 ★★ Second World War drama (BW) **1.10pm FILM** Submarine X-1 ★★★ Second World War drama **3.00 FILM** The Bridge on the River Kwai ★★★★★ Second World War epic starring Alec Guinness, William Holden and Jack Hawkins. **Review page 92** (HD) **6.15 FILM** Battle of Britain ★★★★ Second World War epic (HD) **9.00 FILM** Fury ★★★★ Second World War drama (AD) (HD) **11.35 FILM** Eraser ★★ Action thriller (HD) **1.55–3.00am** Knight Rider

5 Spike +1 **Sky** 250

5 Select 55

Freeview 55 **Freesat** 133 **Sky** 159 **Virgin** 152

9.00am Access **9.05** Criminals: Caught on Camera **9.30** The Best of Jeremy Vine **11.35** The Yorkshire Vet **4.35pm FILM** Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Cafe ★★★★ Drama starring Mary Stuart Masterson, Mary-Louise Parker, Kathy Bates and Jessica Tandy **7.05** The Two Ronnies: in Their Own Words **9.05** The Freddie Mercury Story: Who Wants to Live Forever? **11.05** Freddie Mercury: a Christmas Story: the career of Freddie Mercury and Queen
12.35am Chocolate Dreams: inside Hotel Chocolat
2.35 101 Events That Made the 21st Century
3.35–4.00am Criminals: Caught on Camera

CBS Justice 39

Freeview 39 **Freesat** 137 **Sky** 148 **Virgin** 192

9.00am Diagnosis Murder **11.00** Matlock **12 noon** Perry Mason **1.05pm** Walker, Texas Ranger **2.05** CSI: Miami **3.00** NCIS **5.00** Matlock **6.00pm** Perry Mason **7.05** NCIS **8.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **9.00** CSI: NY **10.00** NCIS **12 midnight** CSI: Miami **1.00am** CSI: NY **2.00** Gunsmoke **3.05** Bonanza: double bill **4.50–6.00am** Mission: Impossible

CBS Drama 71

Freeview 71 **Freesat** 134 **Sky** 147 **Virgin** 197

9.00am Medium **10.00** ER **11.00** The Love Boat **12 noon** Judge Judy **1.00pm** Bonanza **3.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **4.00** Unsolved Mysteries **6.00** The Love Boat **7.00** JAG **8.00** Judge Judy **9.00** Medium **10.00** JAG: a Russian captain tries to settle an old score **11.00** The Love Boat **12 midnight** Judge Judy: double bill **1.00am** ER **2.00** Medium **3.00** JAG **4.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **5.00–6.00am** Matlock

Listings for **PBS America**, **Smithsonian** see over. **Film4** and other **Freeview movie** channels: **p226**

Yesterday 25

Freeview 25 **Freesat** 159 **Sky** 155 **Virgin** 129

6.00am Secrets of the Bible (S) (HD) **8.00** Nazi Hunters (S) **11.00** Africa (S) (AD) (HD) **6.00pm** Africa: David Attenborough describes the wildlife spectacles of southern Africa (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Underground Worlds: the largest subterranean fortress along France's border with Germany (S) (HD) **8.00** Abandoned Engineering: a strange-looking town with a supernatural atmosphere (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Bangers and Cash: a couple are reunited with their Volvo breakdown truck (S) (HD) **10.00** Secrets of the Railways (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Steam Train Britain (AD) (HD)
12 midnight War Factories (S) (HD)
1.00–3.00am Secrets of the Bible (S) (HD)

Yesterday +1 **Sky** 255 **Virgin** 200

Really 17

Freeview 17 **Freesat** 160 **Sky** 142 **Virgin** 128

6.00am Fantasy Homes by the Sea (HD) **7.00** Home Shopping **8.00** Fantasy Homes by the Sea (HD) **9.00** Antiques Road Trip (HD) **6.00pm** Antiques Road Trip: triple bill. An auction in Rye **7.00** Travelling from Exeter in Devon, to Upwey in Dorset **8.00** The antiques experts head from Southampton to Wareham in Dorset (HD)
9.00 Helicopter ER: two crashes at a motorcycle race leaves several spectators injured (HD)
10.00 Helicopter ER: Critical Hour (HD)
11.00 Deadwood: City of Ghosts: a Wild West town full of paranormal activity (HD) **1.00am** Help! My House Is Haunted (HD) **2.00** Home Shopping **4.00–6.00am** Antiques Road Trip (HD)

Home 42

Freeview 42 **Freesat** 166 **Sky** 158 **Virgin** 279

7.00am Escape to the Country **6.00pm** Escape to the Country: six editions. Nicki Chapman helps a couple with hopes of retiring from their suburban home in Kent to west Wales **7.00** Jules Hudson helps a couple find a home in Devon **8.00** Searching for a property in South Yorkshire Aled Jones helps a Sheffield couple find a property in South Yorkshire **9.00** A couple search for a retirement home in North Yorkshire **10.00** A couple hoping to relocate to a cottage in east Devon **11.00** Jules Hudson helps a couple find their dream country house in the New Forest **12 midnight–4.00am** Escape to the Country

Home +1 **Sky** 258 **Virgin** 283

Quest 12

F'view 12 **F'sat** 172 **Sky** 144 **Virgin** 169 **HD** **F'view** 114 **F'sat** 167

6.00am Salvage Hunters: the Restorers: four editions (AD) (HD) **10.00** Salvage Hunters: Best Buys (HD) **4.00pm** American Pickers (HD) **6.00pm** American Pickers: double bill. An ultra-rare Ford Model-A tow truck is unearthed, then a warehouse in Chicago filled with superstar sports memorabilia (HD) **8.00** Salvage Hunters: at a Hampshire auction room, Drew has the pick of over 500 items (HD) **9.00** ***New.*** EFL: including West Bromwich Albion v Leeds United and Huddersfield Town v Stoke City (HD) **11.00** The Cannibal in the Jungle: the story of an American scientist who was convicted of killing and cannibalising two colleagues in the jungles of Flores, Indonesia, in 1977 (HD) **1.00am** Chasing Classic Cars (HD) **2.00** Wheels That Fail (HD) **3.00** Destroyed in Seconds **4.00** Swamp Loggers (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Overhaulin'

Quest +1 **F'view** 76 (7pm-4am) **F'sat** 168 **Sky** 244 **Virgin** 213

Challenge 46

Freeview 46 **Freesat** 146 **Sky** 151 **Virgin** 164

7.00am The Chase: eight editions **4.00pm** The Chase Celebrity Special: triple bill **7.00** TV's Greatest Gameshows: Roy Walker explores what makes game shows great **9.00** The Chase **10.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire: two classic episodes of the quiz show (AD) **12 midnight** Bullseye **4.30–6.00am** Winter Wipeout Celebrity Special

Challenge +1 **Freesat** 147 **Sky** 251 **Virgin** 230

BBC Parliament 232

Freeview 232 **Freesat** 201 **Sky** 504 **Virgin** 605

6.00am European Parliament **6.05** Prime Properties **6.15** Awards **6.40** Reflections **7.10** BOOKtalk **7.25** Scottish FMQs **8.10** Bercow **8.40** Lectures **9.10** Highlights **10.10** BOOKtalk **10.25** Prime Properties **10.35** Reflections **11.05** Highlights **12.05pm** Booktalk **12.20** Lectures **12.50** Welsh FMQs **1.50** BOOKtalk **2.05** Reflections **2.35** Highlights **3.35** BOOKtalk **3.50** Lectures **4.20** Highlights **5.20** BOOKtalk **5.35** Reflections **6.05** Highlights **6.35** Question Time **7.35** BOOKtalk **7.50** Prime Properties **8.00** Lectures **8.30** Highlights **9.30** BOOKtalk **9.45** Reflections **10.15** Highlights **11.15** BOOKtalk **11.30** Lectures **12 midnight–6.00am** Highlights

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New Year's Day



Ferris Bueller's Day Off *9.00pm* The friends skip school

Sky 1

Sky 106 **Virgin** 110 **HD** **Virgin** 109

6.00am Futurama (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Modern Family (S) (HD) **8.00** The Dog Whisperer (HD) **9.00** The Simpsons (S) (HD) **10.00** Football's Funniest Moments (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** Harry Potter: a Who's Who of the Wizarding World (HD) **1.00pm** The Queen and I (S) (AD) (HD) **2.30** Ratburger (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Cinderella: After Ever After (S) (HD) **5.00** The Simpsons (S) (HD)

6.00pm Futurama Fry reintroduces the common cold. (S) (AD) (HD)

6.30 The Simpsons A book on minimalism inspires Marge to adapt to a new way of living. (S) (HD) **7.00** Mr Burns crosses paths with a hip-hop mogul. (S) (HD)

8.00 A League of Their Own The best moments from the 11th series of the comedy quiz. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Ferris Bueller's Day Off ★★★★ Comedy starring Matthew Broderick. When Ferris Bueller plays truant from high school, he does it in style in the big city. **Review p93.** (W) (HD)

11.00 U2 – Experience: Live in Berlin A concert by the band at the Mercedes-Benz Arena. (HD)

12.30am The Russell Howard Hour (S) (HD) **2.30** Road Wars (S) (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Snake Boss (S) (HD)

Sky 1 +1 **Sky** 206

Sky Arts

Sky 122 **Virgin** 123 **HD** **Virgin** 156

6.00am Berlioz: Symphonie Fantastique (HD) **8.00** Paris: the Golden Twenties (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Portrait Artist of the Year (S) (HD) **11.00** Andrea Bocelli: Love in Portofino (S) (HD) **12.50pm** Rise of the Superheroes (S) (HD) **3.00** John Wayne: America at All Costs (HD) **4.00** Buster Keaton: the Genius Crushed by Hollywood (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00** Chaplin: the Birth of the Tramp (S) (AD) (HD)

6.15pm Laurel and Hardy: Their Lives and Magic Shedding new light on the turbulent private lives of Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy and the genuine friendship between them. (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Discovering: Robin Williams A profile of the American actor and comedian, who starred in *Good Morning, Vietnam* and won an Oscar for his role in *Good Will Hunting*. (S) (HD)

9.00 *New.* Comedy Legends Barry Cryer pays tribute to pioneering stand-up comedian Billy Connolly. (HD)

10.00 Quadrophenia: Our Generation Fans and cast members shed light on the making of the film. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.00 U2 – Experience: Live in Berlin A concert by the band at the Mercedes-Benz Arena in the German capital. (HD)

12.30am The Decade the Music Died (HD) **2.05** Sign o' the Times (S) (HD) **3.35** I Am Patrick Swayze (HD) **5.35–6.00am** Dinner for One (HD)



Andre the Giant *4.20pm* The life of the French wrestler

Sky Atlantic

Sky 108

6.00am Fish Town (S) (HD) **7.00** The West Wing (S) (HD) **9.00** Cats and the Movie Musical: Special (HD) **10.00 FILM** The Fall ★★★★ Documentary about Zola Budd and Mary Decker (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **11.50** War Dog: a Soldier's Best Friend (S) (AD) (HD) **1.10pm** What's My Name: Muhammad Ali (S) (AD) (HD) **4.20** Andre the Giant: a profile (S) (HD)

6.00pm David Attenborough's Conquest of the Skies *1/3* Insects capable of flight, including a descendant of the dragonfly, the atlas beetle and the blow fly. **7.00 *2/3.*** Creatures that glide, including the harlequin tree frog. **8.00 *3/3.*** Creatures that dominate today's skies, from bats and hummingbirds to scavenging vultures. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Game of Thrones *6/6* *Series 8.* In the aftermath of the devastating battle at King's Landing, Daenerys declares her intentions for Westeros. (HD)

10.35 Game of Thrones: the Last Watch Behind-the-scenes documentary special marking the final series of the drama. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.40am Britannia: Aulus outrages Domitius (S) (HD) **1.40** The Night Of (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00–6.00am** The West Wing: double bill (S) (HD)

Sky Atlantic +1 **Sky** 208

Sky Crime

Sky 121 **Virgin** 136 **HD** **Virgin** 135

6.00am Motorway Patrol (S) (AD) **7.00** Brit Cops: Rapid Response (S) (AD) **8.00** Border Security: Canada's Front Line (S) (AD) **9.00** Road Wars (S) **11.00** How I Caught the Killer (S) **12 noon** Murders That Shocked the Nation (S) **3.00pm** Killer Neighbours **4.00** Snapped (S)

6.00pm Snapped When a man is shot, police suspects include his rebellious son and abused wife. (S)

7.00 Banged Up Abroad How Ruthie Lambert tried to smuggle cocaine out of Peru to help pay for her mortgage. (S)

8.00 Murders That Shocked the Nation Presenter Fred Dinenage reflects on the story of Ruth Ellis. (S) (AD)

9.00 Britain's Most Evil Killers An insight into the crimes of serial killers Fred and Rose West. (S)

10.00 Murders That Shocked the Nation: Moors Murders Fred Dinenage investigates the horrific murders committed by Myra Hindley and Ian Brady. (S)

11.00 Britain's Most Evil Killers The so-called "Railway Killers" John Duffy and David Mulcahy. (S)

12 midnight World's Most Evil Killers (S) **1.00am** In Ice Cold Blood **2.00** Snapped (S) **3.00** Murders That Shocked the Nation (S) (AD) **4.00** Police Ten 7 (S) **5.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol (S) (AD)

Sky Crime +1 **Sky** 221 **Virgin** 207



9-1-1 *9.00pm* Maddie seeks shelter from her husband

Sky Witness

Sky 107 **Virgin** 112 **HD** **Virgin** 111

6.00am Nothing to Declare (S) **8.00** Sun, Sea and A&E (S) (AD) **12 noon** Nothing to Declare (S) (AD)

6.00pm Nothing to Declare Following the work of customs officers in Australia. (S) (AD)

8.00 Criminal Minds *10/22* *Series 13.* A series of backyard-pool murders are reported in California, prompting the agents to set out in search of a killer with a puzzling past. (S) (HD)

9.00 9-1-1 *13/18* *Series 2.* The first responders rally together to search for Maddie, who is missing after the reappearance of her abusive husband. (S) (HD)

10.00 Station 19 *9/17* *Series 2* Andy, Maya and Dean respond to a call involving an injured woman with amnesia. Captain Sullivan takes Ben and Jack on a house call. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.00 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit *1/24* *Series 14* The investigation into warring prostitution rings threatens to tear the SVU team apart. (HD)

12 midnight CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **1.00am** FBI (HD) **2.00** Madam Secretary (HD) **3.00** Sun, Sea and A&E (S) (AD) **4.00–6.00am** Nothing to Declare (S) (AD)

Sky Witness +1 **Sky** 207 **Virgin** 180

Sky 2

Sky 168 **Virgin** 160

7.00 RSPCA Animal Rescue (S) (AD) **9.00** The Dog Whisperer **10.00** My Kitchen Rules: Australia (S) **12.30pm** Monkey Life (S) (AD) **1.00** American Ninja Warrior (S) **3.00** Stargate SG-1: double bill (S) **7.00** Road Wars (S) (AD) **9.00** A League of Their Own US Road Trip: James Corden, Jamie Redknapp, Jack Whitehall and Andrew Flintoff take part in a baseball challenge (S) (AD) **10.00** Bounty Hunters: double bill (S) (AD) **11.10** Ross Kemp: Extreme World: Ross investigates how cattle rustling gangs have villagers living in fear in Madagascar (S) (AD) **12.05am** Highway Patrol (S) **2.00** Duck Quacks Don't Echo (S) (AD) **3.00** A League of Their Own (S) (AD) **4.00–6.00am** Monkey Life (S) (AD)

Universal TV

Sky 113 **Virgin** 122 **BT** 320 **HD** **Virgin** 121 **BT** 385

8.00am Numb3rs (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Chicago Justice (S) (HD) **6.00pm** Chicago Justice: triple bill. A local councillor is killed **7.00** A childhood friend of Nagel is killed, and she begins to suspect the officers investigating her death may also have had a hand in murdering her **8.00** The son-in-law of Chicago's biggest developer is killed in a crane collapse, which turns out to have been intentional (S) (HD) **9.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit: four episodes (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00am** CSI: Miami (S) (HD) **2.00** Chance (S) (HD) **3.00** Sea Patrol (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Numb3rs (S) (AD) (HD)

Universal TV +1 **Sky** 213 **Virgin** 206



Doctor Who *6.10am* The Time Lord returns for another run

W

Sky 109 **Virgin** 125 **BT** 311 **HD** **Virgin** 211 **BT** 383

6.10am Doctor Who (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Dynamo: Magician Impossible (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** The Bill (S) (HD) **11.00** Inside the Ambulance (S) (HD)

6.00pm Inside the Ambulance Gaz and Lee blue-light to a lady who has been involved in an incident with a bin lorry. **7.00** Ann and Steve are called to help a woman and it becomes clear she's having a heart attack. **8.00** Nic and Carla visit a lady who has a painful infected foot following surgery. (S) (HD)

9.00 The Hunger Games ★★★★ Futuristic action thriller starring Jennifer Lawrence. In annual retribution for a failed uprising in the totalitarian state of Panem, each of 12 districts is forced to select a young boy and girl to take part in a televised fight to the death. When her younger sister is chosen, the resourceful Katniss Everdeen volunteers to take her place. (W) (HD)

11.55 Gavin & Stacey *2/6* *Series 3.* Pam and Mick host a beer and curry night. (S) (AD) (HD) **12.30am *3/6.*** Smithy worries about seeing Nessa. (S) (AD) (HD) **1.05** Trouble in Amish Paradise **1.55–3.00am** Leaving Amish Paradise (S)

W +1 **Sky** 209 **Virgin** 190

Syfy

Sky 114 **Virgin** 138 **BT** 319 **HD** **Virgin** 137 **BT** 375

6.00am Marvel's Runaways **7.00** Blood and Treasure **8.00** Home Shopping **11.00 FILM** Arctic Apocalypse ★★ **12.50pm FILM** The Shadow ★★★ **3.00 FILM** The Librarian: Quest for the Spear ★★ **5.00 FILM** Matilda ★★★★ Comic fantasy starring Danny DeVito and Mara Wilson **7.00pm FILM** Flight of the Navigator ★★★ Sci-fi adventure starring Joey Cramer **9.00 FILM** End of Days ★★★ Supernatural action thriller starring Arnold Schwarzenegger and Gabriel Byrne **11.30 FILM** xXx ★★★ Spy action thriller **3.00am** Legend Quest **4.00–6.00am FILM** Age of the Dragons ★★ Fantasy

Syfy +1 **Sky** 214 **Virgin** 229

TLC

Sky 133 **Virgin** 167 **BT** 323 **HD** **BT** 377

6.00am Say Yes to the Dress: four episodes (HD) **8.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress: the Big Day (HD) **12 noon** Dr Pimple Popper (HD) **8.00pm *New.*** 90 Day Fiancé: couples decide whether to marry before their visas expire (HD) **10.00 *New.*** Love after Lock Up: Johanna surprises Garrett at the altar. Last in series (HD) **11.00 *New.*** 90 Day Fiancé: stars of the show give their own takes on previous episodes' drama (HD) **2.00am** Love after Lock Up (HD) **3.00** 90 Day Fiancé (HD) **4.00–6.00am** Dr Pimple Popper (HD)

TLC +1 **Sky** 233 **Virgin** 172



Only Fools and Horses *7.30pm* Rodney leaves home

Gold

Sky 110 **Virgin** 124 **BT** 310

7.35am A Sharp Intake of Breath **8.00** The Story of Only Fools and Horses: the making of the sitcom (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Only Fools and Horses

5.40pm Only Fools and Horses The Trotter brothers go on a lads' day out to Margate, but things do not turn out as expected, and they end up stranded in the seaside town. Christmas special from 1989. **7.30** Christmas special from 1990. Rodney leaves home after a fight with Cassandra and arranges a date with receptionist Tanya in an effort to make his wife jealous. **9.00** Del enters one of Rodney's old paintings in a competition and is over the moon when he wins a holiday for three in Majorca. As they arrive at Palma Airport, Del reveals there is a slight snag. **10.10** Del's beloved mum apparently makes contact during a seance at the Nag's Head, inspiring him to visit the doctor to seek treatment for stomach cramps. Admitted to hospital for tests, he fears there is something seriously wrong with him. **11.30** As 7.30pm. (S) (AD)

1.05am Only Fools and Horses (S) (AD) **2.15** Live at the Apollo (S) (HD) **3.05** The League of Gentlemen (HD) **3.35–4.00am** Harry Hill's TV Burp

Gold +1 **Sky** 210 **Virgin** 194

Comedy Central

Sky 112 **Virgin** 132 **BT** 307 **HD** **Virgin** 181 **BT** 370

8.00am Friends (S) (HD) **9.00** Lip Sync Battle (S) (HD) **10.00** Friends: back-to-back episodes of the sitcom (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00pm** Michael McIntyre: Hello Wembley!: a 2009 performance from Wembley Arena (S) (HD) **10.20 FILM** The Night Before ★★★ Comedy starring Joseph Gordon-Levitt and Seth Rogen. Three old friends spend Christmas Eve trying to get into a party **12.20am** Lee Evans: XL Tour: the comedian's 2005 gig in Cardiff (S) **1.40** South Park (S) (HD) **4.15** Most Ridiculous: on Vacation (S) (HD) **4.15–5.00am** Most Ridiculous: Pets: outrageous online videos of pets (S) (HD)

Comedy Central +1 **Sky** 212 **Virgin** 133

Lifetime

Sky 187 **Virgin** 208 **BT** 329 **HD** **BT** 384

7.00am Judge Judy (HD) **5.00** Pawn Stars: double bill (HD) **6.00pm** Judge Judy (HD) **9.00** My Crazy Sex: how a couple's attempt to relaunch their sex life landed them in hospital (HD) **10.00** Storage Wars: double bill. The buyers head to Huntington Beach for a night-time auction, then Rene brings his dad along, leading to comical developments, while Ivy goes in big, despite carrying an injury (HD) **11.00** Hardcore Pawn: double bill (HD) **12 midnight** Pawn Stars (HD) **1.00am** My Crazy Sex (HD) **2.00** Storage Wars: double bill (HD) **3.00–4.00am** Hardcore Pawn: double bill (HD)

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Miss Marple *8.30pm* A murder occurs at a country house

Alibi

Sky 132 **Virgin** 126 **BT** 312 **HD** **Virgin** 212 **BT** 382

7.10am Murdoch Mysteries (S) (HD) **10.00** Miss Marple (S) (AD) **12.25pm** Father Brown: triple bill. The sleuth investigates the murder of a Colonial Postal Service officer **1.25** Kembleford comes under threat of an alien invasion **2.25** Flambeau is incarcerated on suspicion of murder (S) (AD) (HD)

3.30pm Miss Marple *1/4* *Series 3.* A film star arrives from America and throws a summer garden party for the entire village of St Mary Mead – where one of her fans drinks a poisoned cocktail and promptly drops dead. **6.00** *2/4.* The spinster is sent to convalesce in Barbados, where she finds life decidedly dull – until a double murder breaks the monotony. **8.30** *3/4.* The sleuth visits the country house of an old friend's sister, where a heated argument in a locked room culminates in a man being killed. Guest-starring Jean Simmons and Joss Ackland. **10.55** *4/4.* A film star arrives from America and throws a summer garden party for the entire village of St Mary Mead – where one of her fans drinks a poisoned cocktail and promptly drops dead. (S) (AD) **1.25–4.00am** Father Brown: double bill (S) (AD)

Alibi +1 **Sky** 232 **Virgin** 191

Discovery History

Sky 171 **Virgin** 257

6.00am King Tut Unwrapped **10.00** Curse of Tutankhamen **11.00** Hidden History of Egypt **12 noon** Secrets of the Pyramids **1.00pm** Scandals of Ancient Egypt **2.00** Mummy King Mystery: Rameses **3.00** Sun Pharaoh **4.00** Nefertiti **5.00** Hidden History of Egypt

6.00pm Secrets of the Pyramids The ancient technologies employed in the construction of the pyramids, and an attempt to define the buildings' spiritual and cultural significance.

7.00 Scandals of Ancient Egypt An insight into the problems that plagued the ancient civilisation, including murders, drugs and military mistakes.

8.00 Curse of Tutankhamen Investigating the historic opening of Tutankhamen's tomb.

9.00 Mummy King Mystery: Rameses Egyptologist Zahi Hawass examines the pharaoh warrior dynasty and tries to determine the fate of Rameses I with the help of carbon dating.

10.00 Sun Pharaoh A portrait of ancient Egyptian ruler Akhenaten and his wife Nefertiti.

11.00 Nefertiti The tomb of Tutankhamun's stepmother.

12 midnight Scandals of Ancient Egypt **1.00am** Curse of Tutankhamen **2.00–6.00am** King Tut Unwrapped

Discovery History +1 **Sky** 271 **Virgin** 261



NCIS *7.00pm* DiNozzo pays old flame Jeanne a visit

Fox

Sky 124 **Virgin** 157 **HD** **Virgin** 199

8.00am Bull (HD) **9.00** Bones (HD) **10.00** Bull (HD) **11.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** Bones: double bill (HD) **2.00pm** The Mentalist (HD) **3.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Bull (HD) **5.00** Bones (HD)

6.00pm The Mentalist *5/22* *Series 5.* The 100th episode of the crime drama tells the story of Jane's first case with the CBI. (HD)

7.00 NCIS *16/24* *Series 13* Dr Cyril Taft, Gibbs's surgeon, helps look into a raid on a naval base. **8.00** *17/24.* A seemingly simple case continues to haunt the agents after it has been closed. **9.00** *11/24* *Series 15.* Torres and Bishop pose as criminals as part of a mission to dismantle a drug-running operation. **10.00** *12/24.* A navy lieutenant JAG lawyer is found dead by her parents. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.00 American Dad! *Series 15* Stan assumes the roles of Roger's personas when he becomes incapacitated. (HD) **11.30** Steve gets competitive during father-son events. (HD) **12 midnight** Family Guy **1.00am** American Dad! (HD) **2.00** Family Guy: double bill **3.00** Science of Stupid (HD) **3.30** Family Guy **4.00–5.00am** Bull (HD)

Fox +1 **Sky** 224 **Virgin** 158

History

Sky 130 **Virgin** 270 **BT** 327 **HD** **BT** 379

6.00am Storage Wars (HD) **8.00** American Pickers (HD) **2.00pm** Unidentified (HD) **8.00** ***New Series.*** Ultimate Mysteries: new theories shed light on the world's biggest mysteries, beginning with the unsolved disappearances of aviator Amelia Earhart and hijacker DB Cooper (HD) **9.00** ***New.*** Curse of Oak Top 25: Rick and Marty Lagina's treasure hunting team counts down its most exciting discoveries and unexpected finds of the past six seasons **11.00** Ancient Aliens: Marty Lagina joins Giorgio Tsoukalos to explore the statues, pyramids and structures left behind by one of the most mysterious cultures in the ancient world in Sardinia, Italy (HD) **12 midnight** Forged in Fire (HD) **1.00am** Ultimate Mysteries (HD) **2.00–6.00am** Unidentified (HD)

History +1 **Sky** 230 **Virgin** 271

Animal Planet

Sky 162 **Virgin** 251 **BT** 325 **HD** **BT** 378

6.00am Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **8.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (S) (HD) **10.00** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **11.00** Animal Cops Philadelphia (S) (HD) **1.00pm** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **3.00** My Cat from Hell (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Homestead Rescue (HD) **5.00** Swimming with Monsters with Steve Backshall (S) (HD) **6.00** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **7.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (AD) **8.00** ***New.*** Extinct or Alive (HD) **9.00** Alaska: the Last Frontier (S) (HD) **10.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (S) (HD) **1.00am** Animal Cops Houston (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00** ***New.*** Extinct or Alive (HD) **3.00** Alaska: the Last Frontier (S) (HD) **3.50** Air Jaws (S) **4.40** Orangutan Island (S) (HD) **5.10–6.00am** Tanked: Unfiltered (S) (HD)

Animal Planet +1 **Sky** 262 **Virgin** 259



Gold Rush *8.00pm* Parker looks back at the season

Discovery

Sky 125 **Virgin** 250 **BT** 322 **HD** **BT** 376

6.00am Gold Rush: ten back-to-back editions (S) (HD)

6.00pm Gold Rush Six editions following the miners of the Yukon as they throw everything into their efforts to get rich. **7.00** Gold miners put everything on the line as they dig for gold, and with new miners, fresh claims and better machines, the stakes are higher than ever. **8.00** Looking back at the highs and lows of the 2018 season, which saw the miners face extreme hardships and challenges. **9.00** Following the miners of the Yukon as they give everything they have in a bid to hit gold. **10.00** A closer look at the famous Klondike gold mining family of Tony Beets, featuring previously unseen footage of what goes on at the mines. **11.00** The gold miners of the Yukon are back to put everything on the line in the hope of finding a fortune in gold. (S) (HD) **1.00am** Gold Rush: following the miners of the Yukon as they throw everything into their efforts to make it rich by finding gold (S) (HD) **5.30–6.00am** How It's Made: the production of sander drums and lithographs is explained (S) (HD)

Discovery +1 **Sky** 225 **Virgin** 258

Nat Geographic

Sky 129 **Virgin** 266 **BT** 317 **HD** **Virgin** 268 **BT** 373

8.00am Car SOS Special: Seven Day Challenge: double bill (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** Car SOS (S) (AD) (HD) **6.00pm** Car SOS: six editions. Fuzz Townshend and Tim Shaw restore a 1972 Ford Escort Mexico **7.00** Fuzz and Tim get to work to secretly restore a 1983 Citroen 2CV **8.00** Tragedy strikes while Tim and Fuzz are fixing up a World Rally-winning car **9.00** The restoration of a 1965 German classic car **10.00** Fuzz Townshend and Tim Shaw get help from James Nesbitt as they try to fix up a 1959 MGA roadster that has been languishing in a damp barn for over 40 years **11.00** Race legend Paddy Hopkirk joins Fuzz and Tim as they fix up their first-ever rally car (S) (AD) (HD) **12 midnight–5.00am** Car SOS: five back-to-back editions (S) (AD) (HD)

Nat Geo +1 **Sky** 229 **Virgin** 267

Eden

Sky 166 **Virgin** 245 **BT** 315 **HD** **Virgin** 247 **BT** 389

9.00am Yellowstone (HD) **12 noon** Yellowstone Journals (HD) **3.00pm** Yellowstone (HD) **6.00** Yellowstone Journals: seven editions. Following the wildlife in Yellowstone National Park over the changing seasons **6.30** The delicately interconnected ecosystems of Yellowstone National Park **7.00** Animals equipped with anatomies, senses and abilities to prosper in the National Park **7.30** How battles over territory ensue across the Park **8.00** Springtime in Yellowstone National Park **8.30** How a tragic end to one life can reveal a new beginning for so many others (HD) **9.00** Yellowstone (HD) **12 midnight** Yellowstone Journals (HD) **3.00am** Yellowstone (HD) **5.30–6.00am** Jungle Planet (HD)

Eden +1 **Sky** 266 **Virgin** 246



Jazz *1.00pm* Trumpeter Wynton Marsalis's memories

PBS America 91

F'view 91 (1-11pm only) **F'sat** 155 **Sky** 174 **Virgin** 273

8.00am Meet the Ancestors Revisited: Stories from the Dark Earth

1.00pm Jazz Keith David narrates a history of the musical genre. **2.20** The great musical cities of Chicago and New Orleans. **3.40** The era in which Wall Street boomed, jazz hit centre stage, and Louis Armstrong created a sensation with West End Blues. **4.55** How New York became the jazz capital during the Depression, with Chick Webb bringing the big band sound to the Savoy Ballroom. **6.10** Profiling the great bandleaders of the swing era, including a grand showdown between Benny Goodman and Chick Webb in 1937. **7.25** As the Depression continued, jazz provided welcome relief for the masses.

8.35pm The Vietnam War The Watergate scandal forces President Nixon to resign, while North Vietnamese troops pour into the south and Saigon descends rapidly into chaos and collapses.

11.00 Conflict Some of the world's best conflict photographers recount how they captured their most powerful images.

12.15am Going to War **1.30–2.00am** The Aviators

PBS +1 **Freeview** 93 (HD only)

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F'view (HD only) 99 **F'sat** 175 **Sky** 195 **Virgin** 276

6.00am Adolf Island (HD) **7.00** The Hunt for Eagle 56 (HD) **8.00** America in Colour (HD) **9.00** Battle of Midway: the True Story (HD) **10.00** Battle of Okinawa in Colour (HD) **11.00** The Battle of Normandy: 85 Days in Hell (HD) **12 noon** Atomic Bomb: Witness to History (HD) **1.00pm** America's Secret D-Day Disaster (HD) **2.00** The Pacific War in Colour (HD) **10.00** Battle of Midway: the True Story: one of the largest naval engagements ever and a turning point in the Second World War, the Battle of Midway changed the face of warfare and made victory in the Pacific possible (HD) **11.00** The Battle of Normandy: 85 Days in Hell (HD) **12 midnight** Battle of Okinawa in Colour (HD) **1.00am** Atomic Bomb: Witness to History (HD) **2.00** America's Secret D-Day Disaster (HD) **3.00–6.00am** Atomic Age Declassified (HD)

Sony Crime

Freesat 143 **Sky** 179 **Virgin** 193

6.00am Speeders **7.00** Bait Car: LA **7.30** Bait Car: San Francisco **9.00** Speeders **11.00** Bait Car: LA **11.30** Bait Car: San Francisco **1.00pm** Speeders **6.00** Speeders: six editions. Florida police stop a severely run-down vehicle on the motorway **6.30** A Californian lounge singer offers a unique excuse when she is pulled over **7.00** Police follow a Vermont biker on a dangerous high-speed chase **7.30** A drunk fan takes his partying too far outside a North Carolina speedway **8.00** as 6pm **8.30** as 6.30pm **9.00** Bait Car: LA: documentary about car criminals **9.30** Bait Car: San Francisco **11.00** Speeders **12 midnight** Bait Car: LA **1.00am** Speeders **3.00** Bait Car: San Francisco **4.00** Speeders **5.00–6.00am** Bait Car: LA: double bill

CHILDREN'S

Milkshake! on C5

Full listings for Channel 5 are on p222

6.00am Peppa Pig **6.20** Ben and Holly **6.35** Noddy: Toyland Detective **6.45** Fireman Sam **6.55** Thomas & Friends: double bill **7.55** Paw Patrol: the Royal Kitties are kidnapped on their way to Adventure Bay for a special visit **8.25** Little Princess: Princess wants to climb a sunflower just like Jack did with his magic beanstalk **8.40** Ben and Holly: Nanny tries to get her magic licence renewed **8.55–9.05am** Peppa Pig: double bill

CBeebies 202

Freeview 202 **Freesat** 608 **Sky** 614 **Virgin** 702

6.00am Something Special: We're All Friends **6.20** Baby Jake **6.35** Twirlywoos **6.45** Raa Raa the Noisy Lion **6.55** Numberblocks **7.05** Bing: double bill **7.20** Hey Duggee: double bill **7.35** Bitz & Bob **7.45** Peter Rabbit **8.00** Go Jetters **8.10** Octonauts **8.20** Biggleton **8.35** Justin's House **9.00** CBeebies The Tempest **10.00** Something Special: We're All Friends **10.25** The Baby Club **10.35** Hey Duggee **10.45** Mister Maker's Arty Party **11.05** Pablo **11.15** Ferne and Rory's Vet Tales **11.30** School of Roars **11.40** My First **11.50** Tinga Tinga Tales **12 noon** My World Kitchen **12.15pm** Old Jack's Boat: Rockpool Tales; Small Potatoes **12.30** Katie Morag **12.45** Melody **1.00** Biggleton **1.10** Timmy Time **1.15** Yakka Dee! **1.20** Numberblocks **1.25** Bing **1.35** Twirlywoos **1.45** Something Special: We're All Friends **2.10** Teletubbies **2.20** The Baby Club **2.35** Pablo **2.50** Our Family **3.00** Andy's Prehistoric Adventures **3.15** Swashbuckle **3.40** Hey Duggee **3.45** Tinpo **3.55** Messy Goes to OKIDO; My Petsaurus **4.10** My First **4.25** Grace's Amazing Machines **4.35** Peter Rabbit **4.50** Go Jetters **5.15** Hey Duggee **5.20** Peter Rabbit Special: the Tale of the Unexpected Discovery: Benjamin is accidentally taken inside Mr McGregor's house **5.45** Moon and Me **6.10** Clangers **6.20** In the Night Garden… **6.50–7.00pm** CBeebies Bedtime Stories: a tale is read for younger viewers before they go to bed

CBBC 201

Freeview 201 **Freesat** 607 **Sky** 613 **Virgin** 701

7.00am Arthur **7.15** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **7.25** Danger Mouse **7.35** OOglies **7.50** Diddy TV **8.05** Class Dismissed **8.25** The Next Step: double bill **9.15** The Dumping Ground: double bill **10.15** Lifebabble **10.20** A Week to Beat the World: double bill **10.55** Got What It Takes? **2.05pm** BBC Summer Social Unseen **3.00** Class Dismissed **3.15** The Deep **3.40** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **3.50** Scream Street **4.00** Show Me What You're Made Of: UK **4.35** Hetty Feather **5.30** ***New.*** Top Class **6.00pm** Dragons: Race to the Edge **6.25** Operation Ouch! **6.55** The Next Step: double bill: Piper learns what life would be like if she never joined The Next Step, then Piper struggles to reignite the love of dance in everyone **7.45** Nikki Lilly Meets **8.00–9.00pm** The Dumping Ground: double bill

CITV 203

Freeview 203 **Freesat** 602 **Sky** 621 **Virgin** 734

6.00am Dino Dana **6.25** Super 4 **6.55** Dare Master **7.00** The Powerpuff Girls **7.25** Teen Titans Go! **7.55** Hotel Transylvania **8.20** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **8.55** Mr Magoo **9.55** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **10.55** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **11.55** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **12.25pm** Dare Master **12.30** Mr Magoo **1.30** Hotel Transylvania **2.30** Kung Fu Panda: The Paws of Destiny **3.00** Mr Magoo **4.00** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **5.00** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **5.30** ***New.*** Pokémon: James takes on Gladion as the competition heats up **6.20pm** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **7.10** Mr Magoo **7.30** Hotel Transylvania **8.00** Spy School **8.55–9.00pm** Dare Master

New Year's Day

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In the big league

P Shazam! ★★★★ *11.45am/8.00pm* ***Sky Premiere***

A troubled 14-year-old boy is magically transformed into a grown-up superhero in this lively, laugh-packed tale. Foster-home runaway Asher Angel has powers bestowed upon him by a wizard, and with a cry of "shazam!" becomes a lycra-clad beefcake (Zachary Levi). However, youthful frolics are abruptly curtailed by the arrival of ruthless villain Mark Strong. The film both celebrates and mocks the conventions of superhero movies, while also delivering a strong message about the importance of friends and family. **TERRY STAUNTON**



Own the Bafta winner

The Favourite ★★★★★ ***iTunes/Sky Store***

The capriciousness of court and the perils of falling from favour are explored in this tragicomic take on the reign of Queen Anne, which won seven Baftas. Those that flank the erratic queen (Olivia Colman) are a dastardly bunch, including her companion Lady Sarah (Rachel Weisz). The arrival of Sarah's cousin Abigail (Emma Stone) causes further strife, with the fallen aristocrat becoming a rival for the queen's affection. As expletives fly, bodices are ripped and plans hatched, while deceptions cut ever deeper. **EMMA SIMMONDS**

All day Pixar!



You'll find wall-to wall Pixar magic on Sky Disney today, with *Coco*, *Finding Nemo, Up* and *Monsters, Inc* among the animated delights. If you don't have the excuse to spend the whole of New Year's Day on the sofa, a double bill of *The Incredibles* (from 6.40pm) is a very tempting proposition. To avoid any unfortunate accidents, be sure not to wear a cape. **TOM FOLLEY**

FREEVIEW

Film4 14

F'view 14 **F'sat** 300 **Sky** 313 **Virgin** 428 **HD** **Virgin** 429

11.00am Puss in Boots ★★★★ Colourful and inventive animated comedy adventure. Antonio Banderas, Salma Hayek, Zach Galifianakis (2011, U) (S)
12.45pm Rango ★★★ Surreal animated western. Johnny Depp, Isla Fisher, Abigail Breslin (2011, PG) (S)
2.45 A Dog's Purpose ★★ Family adventure. Britt Robertson, Dennis Quaid (2017, PG) (S)
4.55pm "Crocodile" Dundee ★★★★ Enjoyable fish-out-of-water comedy starring the charismatic Paul Hogan as an outback hero. Linda Kozlowski (1986, 15) (AD)
6.45 "Crocodile" Dundee II ★★★ Mick Dundee has to rescue his girlfriend from kidnappers in this amiable sequel. Paul Hogan, Linda Kozlowski, John Meillon (1988, PG) (S) (AD)
9.00 Hunt for the Wilderpeople ★★★★ A teenager and his uncle are forced to become fugitives in this charming comedy. Sam Neill, Julian Dennison (2016, 12) (S)
11.05 Reservoir Dogs ★★★★★ Quentin Tarantino's barnstorming debut. (1991, 18) (S)
1.05–3.00am Free Fire ★★★ Fun shoot 'em up from Ben Wheatley. Cillian Murphy (2016, 15) (S)

Film4 +1 **F'view** 45 **F'sat** 301 **Sky** 314 **Virgin** 430

Sony Movies 32

Freeview 32 **Freesat** 302 **Sky** 321 **Virgin** 425

9.10am Paul Blart: Mall Cop 2 ★★ Comedy. Kevin James (2015, PG) **11.05 Groundhog Day ★★★★★** Comedy. Bill Murray (1993, PG) **1.10pm Bruce Almighty ★★★** Comedy. Jim Carrey (2003, 12) **3.15 Seabiscuit ★★★** Drama. (2003, PG)
6.00pm The Great Gatsby ★★★ Period drama. Leonardo DiCaprio, Tobey Maguire, Carey Mulligan (2013, 12)
9.00 Pretty Woman ★★★★ Winning romantic comedy. Richard Gere, Julia Roberts (1990, 15)
11.25 Mrs Henderson Presents ★★★ Fun, frothy, occasionally moving 1930s-set drama. **Review, p93.** Judi Dench, Bob Hoskins (2005, 12)
1.45am Black Death ★★★★ Horror mystery. Sean Bean, Eddie Redmayne (2010, 15) **3.50** Movie News **4.00–5.50am The Forger ★★** Crime drama. Josh Hutcherson (2012, 12)

Sony Movies +1 **F'view** 60 (*limited* 10pm-5am) **Sky** 322

Sony Action 40

F'view 40 *(limited)* **F'sat** 305 **Sky** 323 **Virgin** 426

6.00am The Giants of Thessaly ★★ Adventure. Roland Carey (1960, U) **7.45 The Last Blitzkrieg ★** Drama. Van Johnson, Kerwin Mathews (1958) **9.30 Desert Legion ★★** Adventure. Alan Ladd (1953, U) **11.15 Reap the Wild Wind ★★★** Adventure. John Wayne, Ray Milland (1942, PG)
1.45pm The Silent Enemy ★★★ Drama. Laurence Harvey (1958, PG) **4.00 On Wings of Eagles ★★** Drama. Joseph Fiennes (2016, 12)
5.50pm Ice Station Zebra ★★★ Adventure. Rock Hudson, Ernest Borgnine (1968, U)
9.00 Operation Dunkirk ★ Second World War action adventure. Ifan Meredith (2017, 15)
11.05 The Hard Corps ★★ Action thriller. Jean-Claude Van Damme, Vivica A Fox, Razaaq Adoti (2006, 15)
1.15am Officer Down ★★ Thriller. Sherilyn Fenn (2005, 15) **3.00–4.00am** The War in the Jungle

Sony Action +1 **Sky** 324

Talking Pictures TV 81

Freeview 81 **Freesat** 306 **Sky** 328 **Virgin** 445

6.00am Paul Temple's Triumph ★★ Mystery. John Bentley (1950, U) (S) **7.35 13 East Street ★** Thriller. Patrick Holt (1952) (S) **8.45 The Demi-Paradise ★★★** Drama. Laurence Olivier (1943, U) **11.00** June Allyson **11.30 Jungle Book ★★★** Adventure. Sabu (1942, U) **1.40pm Up in the World ★★** Comedy. Norman Wisdom (1956, U) **3.25 The Amazing Mr Blunden ★★★** Fantasy. Laurence Naismith (1972, U) (S) **5.25 The Flying Scot ★** Thriller. Lee Patterson (1957, U)
6.55pm The Mirror Crack'd ★★ Mediocre mystery. Angela Lansbury, Elizabeth Taylor (1980, PG)
9.00 Rumpole of the Bailey TV drama.
10.05 Up the Chastity Belt ★★ Comedy. Frankie Howerd, Graham Crowden, Bill Fraser (1971, PG)
11.55 Ghost Ship ★ Horror. Dermot Walsh (1952, U)
1.25am The Deep ★★★ Adventure. Robert Shaw, Jacqueline Bisset, Nick Nolte (1977, 15) (S)
3.55–6.00am Duel in the Jungle ★★★ Adventure. Dana Andrews, Jeanne Crain, David Farrar (1954, PG)

Premiere

Sky 301 **Virgin** 401 **BT** 501

6.15am The Top Ten Show **6.30** As 5.45pm **8.45** As 10.15pm **11.45** As 8pm **2.00pm Wonder Park ★★** Animated fantasy adventure. Brianna Denski, Jennifer Garner (2019, PG) **3.30 The Kid Who Would Be King ★★★** Fantasy adventure. **Choice, p176.** Louis Ashbourne Serkis, Rebecca Ferguson (2018, PG)

5.45pm Mary Poppins Returns ★★★ Emily Blunt is pitch perfect in this fun sequel. **Choice, p156.** Lin-Manuel Miranda, Ben Whishaw (2018, U)
8.00 P Shazam! ★★★★ Superhero yarn about a teenager who is given special powers. **Choice, left.** Zachary Levi, Mark Strong (2019, 12)
10.15 Avengers: Endgame ★★★★ End-of-an-era action epic. **Choice, p166.** Robert Downey Jr, Chris Hemsworth, Mark Ruffalo, Chris Evans (2019, 12)

1.25am What Men Want ★★★ Comedy. **Choice, p196.** Taraji P Henson (2019, 15) **3.25 The Aftermath ★★★** Drama. **Choice, p216.** Keira Knightley (2019, 15) **5.30** Final Score Special

Premiere +1 **Sky** 312 **Virgin** 412

Hits

Sky 303 **Virgin** 403 **BT** 503

6.35am Dr Seuss' The Lorax ★★★ Adventure. (2012, U) **8.05 The Nutcracker and the Four Realms ★★★** Fantasy. (2018, PG) **9.50 Little ★★** (2019, 12A) **11.45 Antz ★★★★** (1998, PG) **1.15pm ET the Extra-Terrestrial ★★★★★** Sci-fi. (1982, U) **3.15 The Lego Movie ★★★★** Adventure. (2014, U)

5.00pm The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part ★★★★ Animated adventure. **Choice, p138.** Chris Pratt, Elizabeth Banks, Will Arnett (2019, U)
7.00 Dumbo ★★★★ Charming fantasy. Colin Farrell, Michael Keaton (2019, PG)
9.00 Mary Queen of Scots ★★★ Historical drama. **Choice, p118.** Saoirse Ronan, Margot Robbie (2018, 15)
11.15 Extremely Wicked, Shockingly Evil and Vile ★★ Drama. Zac Efron, Lily Collins (2019, 15)

1.10am BlacKkKlansman ★★★★ Thriller. John David Washington, Adam Driver (2018, 15) **3.30 Three Billboards outside Ebbing, Missouri ★★★★★** Drama. Frances McDormand, Woody Harrelson, Sam Rockwell (2017, 15) **5.30** As 11.45am

Action

Sky 307 **Virgin** 407 **BT** 507

6.00am The Karate Kid ★★★ Martial arts adventure. Jackie Chan, Jaden Smith (2010, PG) **8.30** As 5pm **10.30** As 7pm **12.30pm Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom** As 9pm **2.40 The Rock** As 11.15pm **5.00 The Meg ★★★** Action horror thriller. Jason Statham, Li Bingbing (2018, 12)

7.00pm Cliffhanger ★★★★ A group of criminals coerce a rock climber into helping them escape over a mountain range. Sylvester Stallone, John Lithgow (1993, 15)
9.00 Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom ★★★ Well-made instalment in the dino-adventure franchise. Chris Pratt, Bryce Dallas Howard (2018, 12)
11.15 The Rock ★★★★ Satisfyingly slick action thriller. Sean Connery, Nicolas Cage, Ed Harris (1996, 15)

1.35am Hotel Artemis ★★★★ Zesty futuristic thriller. Jodie Foster, Sterling K Brown, Sofia Boutella (2018, 15) **3.20 Upgrade ★★★★** Sci-fi thriller. Logan Marshall-Green (2018, 15) **5.05 The Karate Kid** As 6am

Superheroes

Sky 302 **Virgin** 402 **BT** 502

6.05am Avengers: Infinity War As 7pm **8.50 Ant-Man and the Wasp** As 9.40pm **11.00 Captain Marvel ★★★** Fantasy adventure. Brie Larson, Samuel L Jackson, Jude Law (2019, 12)
1.15pm Avengers: Endgame ★★★★ Adventure. **Choice, p166.** Robert Downey Jr, Chris Hemsworth (2019, 12)

4.30pm P Shazam! ★★★★ Laugh-packed yarn about a teen with special powers. **Choice, left.** Zachary Levi, Mark Strong, Asher Angel (2019, 12)
7.00 Avengers: Infinity War ★★★★ Epic-scale action extravaganza. Robert Downey Jr, Chris Evans, Chris Hemsworth, Josh Brolin (2018, 12)
9.40 Ant-Man and the Wasp ★★★★ Rip-roaring, fast-paced and funny Marvel adventure. Paul Rudd, Evangeline Lilly, Michael Douglas (2018, 12)

11.45pm Captain Marvel As 11am **2.00am Punisher: War Zone ★★** Action crime thriller. Ray Stevenson, Dominic West (2008, 18) **4.00 Fantastic Four ★★** Fantasy adventure. Ioan Gruffudd, Jessica Alba, Chris Evans (2005, PG)

Drama

Sky 304 **Virgin** 410 **BT** 510

6.05am Field of Dreams ★★★★ Drama. Kevin Costner, Amy Madigan, Ray Liotta (1989, PG) **8.05** As 5.30pm **10.35** As 8pm **1.00pm Singin' in the Rain ★★★★★** Musical. Gene Kelly, Debbie Reynolds, Donald O'Connor (1952, U) **2.55 The Shawshank Redemption ★★★★★** Drama. Tim Robbins, Morgan Freeman (1994, 15)

5.30pm A Star Is Born ★★★★ The tragic showbiz romance is updated in a captivating extravaganza of music, joy and heartbreak. Lady Gaga, Bradley Cooper (2018, 15)
8.00 Bohemian Rhapsody ★★★ Rocking biopic of the band Queen. **Choice, p186.** Rami Malek (2018, 12)
10.20 The Bodyguard ★★★ Entertaining romantic thriller in which Kevin Costner is hired to protect Whitney Houston. (1992, 15)

12.35am Singin' in the Rain As 1pm **2.30 Field of Dreams** As 6.05am **4.25 Sabrina ★★★** Charming update of the Audrey Hepburn romantic comedy. Harrison Ford, Julia Ormond, Greg Kinnear (1995, PG)

Musicals

Sky 308 **Virgin** 404 **BT** 504

6.10am As 5.25pm **7.55** As 7.10pm **9.45** Frozen Fever **10.00 Enchanted ★★★★** Fantasy. Amy Adams (2007, PG) **11.50** Cats Special **12.50pm Mary Poppins ★★★★★** Fantasy. Julie Andrews (1964, U) **3.10 Mary Poppins Returns ★★★** Musical. **Choice, p156.** Emily Blunt, Lin-Manuel Miranda, Ben Whishaw (2018, U)

5.25pm Sister Act ★★★★ A brassy lounge singer hides out in a convent after witnessing a murder in this irreverent comedy. Whoopi Goldberg (1992, PG)
7.10 Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit ★★★ Likeable sequel. Whoopi Goldberg, Maggie Smith (1993, PG)
9.00 Grease ★★★★ John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John play teenage lovers at a 1950s high school. Stockard Channing (1978, PG)

11.00pm Grease 2 ★★ Musical sequel. Michelle Pfeiffer, Maxwell Caulfield (1982, PG) **1.00am** As 10am **2.50 Annie ★★★** Musical. Albert Finney, Carol Burnett (1982, U) **5.00** As 11.50am

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New Year's Day

Disney

Sky 305 **Virgin** 405 **BT** 505

6.00am Coco ★★★★★ Adventure. Anthony Gonzalez (2017, PG) **7.50** As 6.40pm **9.50** As 8.40pm **11.50** As 4.55pm **1.35pm Monsters, Inc** ★★★★★ Animated comedy adventure. John Goodman, Billy Crystal (2001, U) **3.15 Up** ★★★★★ Adventure. Ed Asner, Christopher Plummer, Jordan Nagai (2009, U)

4.55pm Finding Nemo ★★★★★ Superb aquatic adventure. Albert Brooks, Ellen DeGeneres, Alexander Gould (2003, U)

6.40 The Incredibles ★★★★★ Witty superhero adventure. **Choice, left.** Craig T Nelson (2004, U)

8.40 Incredibles 2 ★★★★ Entertaining adventure. Holly Hunter, Craig T Nelson, Samuel L Jackson (2018, PG)

10.40 A Bug's Life ★★★★ Wonderful animated adventure. Dave Foley, Kevin Spacey, Julia Louis-Dreyfus (1998, U)

12.20am Monsters, Inc As 1.35pm **2.05 Coco** As 6am **4.00 The Aristocats** ★★★★ Charming adventure. Phil Harris, Eva Gabor (1970, U) **5.30 Fantasia 2000** ★★★ Animation. James Levine (1999, U)

Thriller

Sky 309 **Virgin** 409 **BT** 509

7.15am Salt As 6.15pm **9.00 The Godfather** ★★★★★ Drama. Marlon Brando, Al Pacino, James Caan (1972, 15) **12 noon The Godfather Part II** ★★★★★ Drama. Al Pacino, Robert Duvall, Diane Keaton, Robert De Niro (1974, 15) **3.25pm The Godfather Part III** ★★★ Drama. Al Pacino, Diane Keaton, Andy Garcia (1990, 15)

6.15pm Salt ★★ Angelina Jolie is on fighting form as a discredited CIA agent. (2010, 12)

8.00 Ocean's 8 ★★★ An all-star cast sparkles in this solidly fun heist movie. Sandra Bullock, Cate Blanchett, Anne Hathaway (2017, 12)

10.00 Widows ★★★★ A trio of women – led by a ferocious Viola Davis – attempt to pay off their dead husbands' debts. Michelle Rodriguez, Elizabeth Debicki (2018, 15)

12.15am Wild Things ★★★ Thriller. Kevin Bacon, Matt Dillon, Neve Campbell (1998, 18) **2.15 Red Sparrow** ★★★★ Thriller. Jennifer Lawrence, Joel Edgerton (2018, 15) **4.45 Deep Family Secrets** ★★★ Thriller. Richard Crenna, Angie Dickinson (1997)

Sci-Fi/Horror

Sky 311 **Virgin** 411 **BT** 511

6.00am Labyrinth As 5.05pm **7.55 Flash Gordon** As 7pm **10.00 Star Wars Episode IV: a New Hope** As 9pm **12.15pm Episode V: the Empire Strikes Back** As 11.20pm **2.35 Episode VI: Return of the Jedi** ★★★★ Sci-fi adventure. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher (1983, U)

5.05pm Labyrinth ★★★ David Bowie stars as the Goblin King in this fun fantasy from the Muppet team. Jennifer Connelly (1986, U)

7.00 Flash Gordon ★★★ Camp take on the comic-strip sci-fi adventurer's exploits. Sam J Jones, Melody Anderson, Topol, Max von Sydow (1980, PG)

9.00 Star Wars Episode IV: a New Hope ★★★★★ The opening instalment of the original trilogy. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher (1977, U)

11.20pm Star Wars Episode V: the Empire Strikes Back ★★★★★ Adventure. Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher (1980, U) **1.40am** As 2.35pm **4.10 Tron** ★★★ Sci-fi adventure. Jeff Bridges, David Warner, Bruce Boxleitner (1982, PG)

Harry Potter

Sky 306 **Virgin** 406 **BT** 506

6.15am The Philosopher's Stone ★★★★ Fantasy adventure. Daniel Radcliffe (2001, PG) **8.50 The Chamber of Secrets** ★★★★ Fantasy adventure. Daniel Radcliffe (2002, PG) **11.35 The Prisoner of Azkaban** ★★★★ Fantasy adventure. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2004, PG)

2.00pm The Goblet of Fire ★★★★ Harry comes face to face with Voldemort. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson, Michael Gambon (2005, 12)

4.40 The Order of the Phoenix ★★★★ Hogwarts faces the arrival of Dolores Umbridge. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2007, 12)

7.00 The Half-Blood Prince ★★★★ Harry probes a professor's mind to discover a secret. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2009, 12)

9.35pm The Deathly Hallows: Part 1 ★★★ Adventure. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2010, 12) **12.10am The Deathly Hallows: Part 2** ★★★★★ Epic finale. Daniel Radcliffe (2011, 12) **2.30** As 6.15am **5.10** As 8.50am

Comedy

Sky 310 **Virgin** 408 **BT** 508

7.35am Matilda ★★★★ Fantasy. Mara Wilson (1996, PG) **9.25 Beethoven** ★★★★ Comedy. Charles Grodin (1992, U) **10.55 Twins** ★★★★ Comedy. (1988, PG) **12.45pm Meet the Parents** ★★★★ Comedy. Robert De Niro (2000, 12) **2.35 Meet the Fockers** ★★★ Comedy. Robert De Niro (2004, 12)

4.35pm Tropic Thunder ★★★★ Action adventure. Ben Stiller, Jack Black, Robert Downey Jr (2008, 15)

6.30 Zoolander ★★★★ Parody of the fashion industry. Ben Stiller (2001, 12)

8.15 Along Came Polly ★★ Cautious Ben Stiller falls for wild Jennifer Aniston. (2004, 12)

10.00 The Big Lebowski ★★★★ Beguilingly goofy reworking of *The Big Sleep*. Jeff Bridges, John Goodman (1998, 18)

12 midnight O Brother, Where Art Thou? ★★★★ Comedy. George Clooney, John Turturro, Tim Blake Nelson (2000, 12) **1.50am Raising Arizona** ★★★★ Comedy. Nicolas Cage, Holly Hunter (1987, 12) **3.30** As 10.55am **5.20** As 7.35am

TCM Movies

Sky 315 **Virgin** 415 **BT** 512 HD **Virgin** 416

6.10am The Brass Legend ★★★ Western. Hugh O'Brian (1956) **7.55 The Lone Gun** ★★ Western. George Montgomery, Dorothy Malone (1954) **9.35 The Bridge at Remagen** ★★★ Drama. George Segal, Robert Vaughn, Ben Gazzara (1969, PG) **12 noon The Dirty Dozen** ★★★★ Adventure. Lee Marvin, Ernest Borgnine (1967, 15)

3.00pm Battle of the Bulge ★★★★ Spectacular Second World War epic. Henry Fonda, Robert Shaw (1965, PG)

6.20 Waterloo ★★★★ Historical epic from Ukrainian director Sergei Bondarchuk. Rod Steiger, Christopher Plummer, Orson Welles (1970, U)

9.00 The Fugitive ★★★★ A wrongfully convicted surgeon is hunted by a dogged lawman in this exciting thriller. Harrison Ford, Tommy Lee Jones, Julianne Moore (1993, 15)

11.45pm Infamous ★★★ Drama. Toby Jones (2006, 15) **2.10am The Great Northfield Minnesota Raid** ★★★ Western. Cliff Robertson (1972, 12) **3.30** Hollywood's Best Film Directors **TCM Movies +1 Sky** 316 **Virgin** 417

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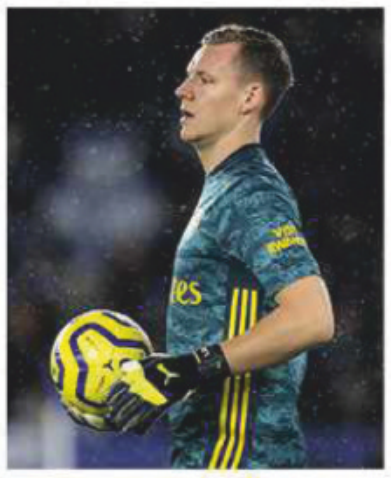

Premier League Football
7.45pm ***BT Sport 1*** Arsenal's fearless stopper Bernd Leno

Sky Main Event

Sky 401 **Virgin** 511 **BT** 402 HD **Virgin** 501 **BT** 437

6.00am Good Morning Sports Fans **10.00** Sky Sports News **12.30pm LIVE Championship Football** Millwall v Luton Town. The Championship match taking place at the Den (kick-off **12.45**). **2.45 LIVE League One Football** Wycombe Wanderers v Ipswich Town at Adams Park (kick-off **3.00**). **5.00 LIVE Championship Football** West Bromwich Albion v Leeds United (kick-off **5.15**). **7.15 LIVE World Darts** Coverage of the final of the World Darts Championship at Alexandra Palace in London **10.00** Sky Sports News at Ten **11.00 LIVE NBA** Washington Wizards v Orlando Magic (tip-off **11.00**). **1.30–6.00am** Sky Sports News

Sky Football

Sky 403 **Virgin** 513 HD **Virgin** 503

6.00am Championship Highlights **7.00** League One and Two Goals **7.30** Championship Highlights **8.30** EFL Highlights **8.45** EFL Highlights **9.00** Championship Highlights **9.15** EFL Highlights **9.30** League One and Two Goals **10.00** UEFA Nations League **10.30** UEFA Nations League **11.30** League One and Two Goals **12 noon** EFL Highlights **12.15pm** Championship Highlights **12.30 LIVE Championship Football** Millwall v Luton Town. The Championship match taking place at the Den (kick-off **12.45**). **2.45 LIVE League One Football** Wycombe Wanderers v Ipswich Town at Adams Park (kick-off **3.00**). **5.00 LIVE Championship Football** West Bromwich Albion v Leeds United (kick-off **5.15**). **7.30** UEFA Nations League **11.00** SPFL Highlights **11.30** Football's Greatest Players (AD) **12 midnight** Football Years (AD) **1.00am** Football Countdowns (AD) **2.00** SPFL Greatest Games **2.30** One2Eleven (AD) **3.00** EFL Cup Highlights **4.00** EFL Greatest Games **4.30** Football Countdowns (AD) **5.00** Football's Greatest Players **5.30–6.00am** Football Years (AD)

Sky Golf

Sky 405 **Virgin** 515 HD **Virgin** 505

6.00am Ryder Cup Memories **6.30** How the 1995 Ryder Cup Was Won (AD) **8.30** How the 1997 Ryder Cup Was Won **11.30** How the 1999 Ryder Cup Was Won **2.00pm** How the 2004 Ryder Cup Was Won **4.00** Ryder Cup – Official Films **5.30** How the 2010 Ryder Cup Was Won (AD) **7.30** Miracle at Medinah – the Story of the 2012 Ryder Cup (AD) **9.30** The Greatest Solheim Cup **11.30** Perfection in Paris (AD) **1.30–6.00am** Ryder Cup Memories (AD)

Sky Premier League

Sky 402 **Virgin** 512 HD **Virgin** 502

6.00am Greatest Games (AD) **7.00** Legends (AD) **8.00** Best Goals **9.00** 100 Club (AD) **9.30** 100 Club: England's Finest (AD) **10.00** Years (AD) **12 noon** Gary Neville's Soccerbox (AD) **2.00pm** Soccer Special **5.30** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **7.00** Premier League World **7.30** Match Pack **8.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **9.00** Premier League World **9.30** Match Pack **10.00** Mo Salah's Golden Boot 2017/18 **10.30** The Tyler Archives **11.00** Premier League World **11.30** Match Pack **12 midnight** Greatest Games (AD) **1.00am** Years (AD) **3.00** Greatest Games (AD) **4.00** Best Goals **5.30–6.00am** 100 Club: England's Finest (AD)

Sky Cricket

Sky 404 **Virgin** 514 HD **Virgin** 504

6.00am Ashes Greats (AD) **6.10** Ashes Bitesize **8.00** Ashes Greats (AD) **8.10** Ashes Bitesize **10.00** Ashes Cricket **6.00pm** Ben Stokes: New Year's Day Special **7.00** Ashes Cricket: the Greatest Hour **8.00** Ben Stokes: New Year's Day Special **9.00** The World Cup Through Their Eyes **11.00** Ben Stokes: New Year's Day Special **12 midnight** Ashes Cricket: the Greatest Hour **1.00am** Ben Stokes: New Years Day Special **2.00** Ashes Bitesize **3.50** Ashes Greats (AD) **4.00** Ashes Bitesize **5.50–6.00am** Ashes Greats (AD)

Sky Action

Sky 407 **Virgin** 517 HD **Virgin** 507

6.00am Boxing Gold (AD) **8.00** Women's NBA Playoffs **9.30** Hooked on Africa **10.00** NFL: America's Game (AD) **11.00** Inside the Huddle **12 noon** Triathlon **1.00pm** NFL **3.00** Hooked on Africa **3.30** NFL: a Football Life (AD) **4.30** NBA Classic Games **5.30** Hooked on Africa **6.00** Triathlon **7.00** Pro-Football Talk **9.00** Inside the Huddle **10.00** Fast Zone **10.30** NBA GameTime **11.00 LIVE NBA** Washington Wizards v Orlando Magic. **1.30am** Inside the Huddle **2.30** NFL (AD) **3.30** Sporting Records (AD) **5.00–6.00am** Sporting Greats (AD)

Sky Darts

Sky 408 **Virgin** 518 HD **Virgin** 508

6.00am Darts Gold (AD) **7.00** World Darts **11.00** Legends of Darts **11.30** Darts Gold (AD) **11.45** Legends of Darts (AD) **12 noon** Darts Gold (AD) **3.00pm** World Darts **7.00 LIVE World Darts** The final of the World Darts Championship. **10.00** Darts Gold (AD) **12 midnight** World Darts **3.00–6.00am** Darts Gold (AD)

Eurosport 1

Sky 410 **Virgin** 521 **BT** 412 HD **BT** 435

6.00am Cross-Country Skiing **7.00** Ski Jumping **8.00** Triathlon **8.30** Cycling: Get to Know **8.40** Cross-Country Skiing **10.40 LIVE Cross-Country Skiing** The Tour de Ski World Cup meeting, featuring the women's 10km classic event. **11.30 LIVE Cross-Country Skiing** The Tour de Ski World Cup, featuring the men's 15km classic event. **12.50pm LIVE Ski Jumping** The Four Hills competition. **3.00** Cross-Country Skiing **5.00** Alpine Skiing **6.00** Ski Jumping **7.00** Cross-Country Skiing **9.00** Ski Jumping **10.00** Cross-Country Skiing **11.00** Ski Jumping **12 midnight** Cross-Country Skiing **1.00am** Triathlon **1.40** Snooker **2.00** Cross-Country Skiing **4.00** Ski Jumping **5.00–6.00am** Hall of Fame – PyeongChang Alpine

BT Sport 1

Sky 413 **Virgin** 527 **BT** 408 HD **BT** 430

6.00am Premier League Preview **6.30** BT Sport Reload **7.00** Rugby Union **10.15** What I Wore **10.30** Premier League World **11.00** Classic Premier League (AD) **11.30** Premier League Preview **12 noon LIVE Premier League Football** Brighton & Hove Albion v Chelsea (kick-off **12.30pm**); **2.45pm** Southampton v Tottenham Hotspur (kick-off **3.00**); **5.15** Manchester City v Everton at the Etihad Stadium (kick-off **5.30**); **7.45** Arsenal v Manchester United at Emirates Stadium (kick-off **8.00**). **10.30** Nature Boy (AD) **12 midnight** T20 Cricket **1.00am** Test Cricket **3.00** BT Sport Reload **3.15** BT Sport Big Bash Reload **3.30** T20 Cricket **4.30–8.00am LIVE T20 Cricket** Sydney Thunder v Melbourne Stars in the Big Bash League.

BT Sport 2

Sky 414 **Virgin** 528 **BT** 409 HD **BT** 431

6.00am Backstory: Serena vs the Umpire (AD) **7.00** T20 Cricket **8.00 LIVE T20 Cricket** Big Bash, Brisbane Heat v Perth Scorchers. **11.15** BT Sport Big Bash Reload **11.30** BT Sport Goals Reload **12 noon LIVE Premier League Football** Burnley v Aston Villa at Turf Moor (kick-off **12.30pm**); **2.45pm** Newcastle United v Leicester City (kick-off **3.00**); **5.15** West Ham United v Bournemouth (kick-off **5.30**). **7.45** BT Sport Reload **8.00** Rugby Tonight on Tour (AD) **8.30** Gearing Up **9.00** UFC (AD) **10.00** Poker **12 midnight** UFC **3.30am** BT Sport Goals Reload **4.00** Rugby Tonight on Tour (AD) **4.30–6.00am** Australian Football: Western Sydney Wanderers v Brisbane Roar in the A-League

BT Sport 3

Sky 417 **Virgin** 529 **BT** 410 HD **BT** 432

6.00am Arsenal Classics (AD) **7.00** Manchester United Classics (AD) **8.00** Premier League Preview **8.30 LIVE Australian Football** A-League, Western Sydney Wanderers v Brisbane Roar (kick-off **8.30**). **10.30** Gearing Up **11.00** Fishing (AD) **12 noon** Test Cricket **2.00pm** BT Sport Big Bash Reload **2.15** BT Sport Reload **2.45** BT Sport Score **7.45** T20 Cricket **8.45** BT Sport Big Bash Reload **9.00** Australian Football **10.30** Rugby Union **1.45am** Rugby Tonight on Tour (AD) **2.15** BT Sport Reload **2.30** German Football **3.00–6.00am** Major League Baseball

BT Sport ESPN

Sky 423 **Virgin** 530 **BT** 411 HD **BT** 434

6.00am ESPN FC **6.30** American Football **12.30pm** Basketball **2.15** ESPN FC **2.45 LIVE Premier League Football** Watford v Wolverhampton Wanderers (kick-off **3.00**); **5.15** Norwich City v Crystal Palace from Carrow Road (kick-off **5.30**). **7.45** Team of the Eighties (AD) **9.15** Here Now (AD) **9.30** BT Sport Reload **10.00 LIVE American Football** Two NCAA matches. **5.30–6.00am** BT Sport Reload

Eurosport 2

Sky 411 **Virgin** 522 **BT** 413 HD **BT** 436

6.00am Alpine Skiing **8.00** Showjumping **9.00** Ski Jumping **10.00** Snooker **12 noon** Darts **1.00pm** Tennis: the Australian Open **4.00** Snooker **6.00** Hall of Fame **8.00** Snooker **10.00** Darts **11.00** Snooker **1.00am** Darts **2.00** Ski Jumping **3.00** Alpine Skiing **5.00–6.00am** Cross-Country Skiing



Travel Unforgettable holidays for the new year! **See centre supplement**

THURSDAY Choices

The pick of today's TV



FANTASTIC FOUR
Chris Bavin, Angela Hartnett, Mary Berry and Claudia Winkleman

PICK OF THE DAY

Best Home Cook

8.00pm ***BBC1***

FOOD You may remember this from a couple of years ago, when it had *Britain's* in the title. It's a very serviceable cooking/talent show that suffers only slightly from feeling like a stir-fry made with leftovers from other formats.

But it's a tasty stir-fry, with Mary Berry and Claudia Winkleman among the stirrers. They're joined by Chris Bavin (from *Eat Well for Less?*) and new judge Angela Hartnett, who brings a little Michelin-starred-cheffy grit to what might otherwise be all a bit too *nice*.

Ten ordinary cooks compete in challenges to make, say, their ultimate pasta dinner, or the best dish they can rustle up using pears. It's not as fancy as *MasterChef* or as joyous as *Bake Off*, but there are the usual dilemmas (play it safe or push the boat out?) and disasters (that oven isn't on!), as well as a few dishes that really sing. Duck lasagne, anyone? **DAVID BUTCHER**

Last Minute Holiday Secrets Unpacked

8.00pm ***C4***

CONSUMER Facing the damp despair of January, many of us instinctively start browsing for unaffordable summer holidays or extravagant Easter getaways. In extreme circumstances, you might not be able to stand the wait and decide to leave Britain behind for some winter sun in January itself. But do you benefit if you hold off until the last minute to book?

Scarlette Douglas shares some secrets here, drawing on industry experts' tips and pitting herself against a family of innocent rubes who panicked and paid for their trip in advance, like rank amateurs. Can she beat their price? **JACK SEALE**

Gino's Italian Express

8.30pm ***ITV*** *(not STV)*

FOOD While the rest us of are still ploughing our way through leftover turkey, Gino D'Acampo is wandering around sun-drenched Tuscany eating asparagus, castagnaccio and panzanella salad.

Gino starts in the walled city of Lucca, the birthplace of the Vespa, which he tells us was originally designed so women wearing short skirts could drive the scooter. He then meets a violin maker and a woman who gives cookery lessons in her own home, flirting equally with both. The recipes he shows us are simple but, after all those brussels and Christmas pud, they go down a treat. **JANE RACKHAM**

Dracula

9.00pm ***BBC1***

DRAMA We're all at sea, sailing on the *Demeter* from Transylvania to England, with Count Dracula and a handful of passengers. But it soon becomes clear that the voyage and the ship are cursed, as people keep dying, mysteriously and bloodily...

Which is when Mark Gatiss and Steven Moffat's *Dracula* turns into *Sherlock*, as the terrified suspects/potential victims gather in a room, wondering who will be next, as a brilliant man (Dracula) explains everything. There's a dash of *The Thomas Crown Affair* too, as the Count (Claes Bang) and sparky Sister Agatha (Dolly Wells) play a sexy game of chess.

Watch out for a cameo from *Space: 1999's* Catherine Schell as a wise old European aristocrat. Concludes tomorrow.

ALISON GRAHAM *See page 52*

Children's Choices

Blue Peter
5.30pm ***CBBC***

Lindsey Russell and Richie Driss look back on another eventful and exciting year for the BBC's evergreen kids' magazine programme. It's a chance to enjoy 2019's best guests, challenges, pets... and bloopers! Plus, take a look at the team's plans for making 2020 even more epic.

Alexa and Katie
Netflix

Series three of a US comedy that carries more weight than the average show about girls trying to make their way through high school without being seen as abnormal: Alexa (Paris Berelc) is a cancer patient, while Katie (Isabel May) is the best friend who goes along with all her pal's defiant, rebellious impulses. This year, their charity work and support for other kids with cancer makes life even more chaotic than ever.



Earth's Tropical Islands
9.00pm ***BBC2***

NATURE Episode two of this colourful series takes us to Borneo, where there are bright orange proboscis monkeys jumping ludicrous distances, lurid songbirds and sea and sky of an impossible blue. And a tiny frog that's found an ingenious way to amplify its call and attract a mate from afar (all good news if you bought a new TV over Christmas and want to test out its colour range/audio abilities).

No film about Borneo would be complete without the orangutan, of course, whose knowledge of natural remedies has amazed researchers. The unlikely synergy between woolly bat and carnivorous pitcher plant is equally astonishing. **GILL CRAWFORD**

Britannia
9.00pm ***Sky Atlantic***

DRAMA In a weirdly hypnotic penultimate episode, bonkers Divis is held captive by a spell and takes advice from a cute bunny rabbit. We don't hear their exchanges, but I'm sure they're riveting.

Happily, young Cait, now free of Divis's clutches, appears to have found happiness at last with her boyband-handsome companion, as they roam the woods and hills of a land riven by superstition and often deadly tribal loyalties. Cait must bear the burden of her people's hopes, but she is able to forget all of that for a while as she enjoys some bosky diversions.

But malevolent spirits populate the pretty woodland and danger lurks behind every tree stump. **AG**

The Deuce
10.00pm ***Sky Atlantic***

DRAMA Here's the third and last season of George Pelecanos and David Simon's masterfully seedy saga about the New York sex trade.

Series one was set in 1971-72, and series two in 1977. Now we're in 1984, and the bars and clubs around Times Square echo to the The and Echo and the Bunnymen as our cast of pimps, porn stars, Mafiosi and – increasingly – cops come to terms with their neighbourhood changing.

The show is incredibly good at evoking a sense of how a place and time felt to live in, from the slang to the technology to the fashionable drinks. But Aids is about to rip a path through our characters' lives: it's a drama where every time someone coughs, you worry. **DAVID BUTCHER**



GAME FOR A LAUGH
Nish Kumar, Alan Carr, Claudia Winkleman, Jimmy Carr, Jonathan Ross, Stacey Solomon and Joe Lycett

Big Fat Quiz of the Decade
9.00pm ***C4***

QUIZ Forget the usual *Big Fat Quiz of the Year* – this time Channel 4 are also going Bigger and Fatter than ever to take a look back at the past ten years, in a super-sized version of their usual comedy quiz.

In other words, the questions will be tougher than ever, as the celebrity guests (and viewers at home) have to cast their minds back over a whole decade of news, popular culture, music and internet videos to work out just why lasagne was such a big deal in 2013, or the details of a perfect Nae Nae.

Claudia Winkleman, Joe Lycett, Nish Kumar, Alan Carr, Jonathan Ross and Stacey Solomon join Jimmy Carr, as they attempt to mine the depths of their recent memory and take home the top prize – as well as get a few laughs in on the way. **HUW FULLERTON**

DISCOVER TV PICKS
The best of streaming and catch-up



Koko: the Gorilla Who Talks to People
iPlayer (expires today)

A thought-provoking film about a gorilla who became a celebrity in 1970s California, because he'd been taught sign language in captivity by his besotted keeper, psychologist Penny Patterson. The aim was to show how close apes are to mankind by demonstrating how intimately they can communicate. But was taking away Koko's chance at a natural life mistreatment?

The Family Secret
All4 (expires today)

A stunning documentary in which, with almost unbelievable courage, a woman in her 30s confronts her childhood abuser. It's sensitively handled but the story it tells is devastating. **JS**

BEST LIVE SPORT



■ **Premier League Football: Liverpool v Sheffield United**
7pm (k/o 8pm) ***BT Sport 1***
Sadio Mane lights up Anfield.

■ **Championship Football: Derby County v Barnsley**
7.30pm (k/o 7.45pm)
Sky Football/Main Event

■ **PGA Tour Golf: Tournament of Champions, day one** *11pm* ***Sky Golf/Main Event*** Xander Schauffele defends his crown.

FILM OF THE DAY

The Sound of Music
7.00pm ***BBC4***

Classic family musical from 1965, starring Julie Andrews and Christopher Plummer.
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GETTY

THURSDAY Main Channels

DAYTIME

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast Charlie Stayt, Louise Minchin. (S) (HD)
9.15 Animal Park A koala requires surgery to investigate her breathing problems. (R) (S) (HD)
10.00 Homes under the Hammer Properties in Derbyshire, Stoke and London. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
11.00 *New series.* Wanted Down Under Should a family move to New Zealand? Rptd tomorrow 6.15am BBC2 (S) (HD)
11.45 The Customer Is Always Right Testing a science kit and a make-up cleanser and applicator. (R) (S) (HD)
12.15pm Bargain Hunt From the National Botanic Garden of Wales in Carmarthenshire. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
1.00 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)
1.45 Escape to the Country Jules Hudson helps two expats hoping to return to their roots. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
2.45 Money for Nothing A set of microphone stands and a vintage radio are rescued. (R) (S) (HD)
3.30–4.30 Garden Rescue The experts create two gardens for wildlife lovers. (Revised rpt) (S) (HD)

BBC2

6.10am The Next Step: It's a Wonderful Life, Piper Children's drama about dance. First shown on CBBC (S) (HD)
7.00 This Farming Life Bad news forces Stevie to make a shocking decision. (R) (S) (HD)
8.00–9.00 Sign Zone MasterChef: the Professionals In the latest heat, Monica Galetti's skills test requires the first three chefs to spatchcock and cook a quail. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
9.00 BBC News (S) (HD)
10.00 BBC Newsroom Live (S) (HD)
11.35 The 39 Steps ★★★★★ Classic thriller starring Robert Donat and Madeleine Carroll. An innocent man becomes a suspect in the murder of a secret agent, so he tries to uncover the real killers – while fleeing across the desolate Scottish moors handcuffed to a beautiful woman. **Review page 94.**
Director Alfred Hitchcock (1935, U) (BW) (S)
1.00pm Alfred Hitchcock: Talking Pictures Clips of BBC interviews with the Master of Suspense. (R) (S)
1.40 Epics: Talking Pictures A look through the BBC archive provides insight into making an epic. (R) (S)
2.25–5.15 The Fall of the Roman Empire ★★★★ Lavish historical epic starring Sophia Loren, Stephen Boyd, Christopher Plummer and Alec Guinness. The Roman Empire falls into the hands of the unstable, corrupt Commodus, whose insane pride fosters cruelty and revolt.
Director Anthony Mann (1964, PG) (S) (W)

ITV

6.00am Good Morning Britain (S) (HD)
8.30 Lorraine Guests, gossip and more. (S) (HD)
9.25 Judge Rinder Real-life court cases. (R) (S) (HD)
10.30 This Morning Including **Regional Weather** (S) (HD)
12.30pm Loose Women Lively discussion. (S) (HD)
1.30 ITV Lunchtime News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)
2.00 Celebrity Catchphrase With Anton Du Beke, Gemma Collins and Paul Sinha. (R) (S) (HD)
3.00–4.00 Tenable Five postal workers take part in the quiz show. (R) (S) (HD) Followed by **Regional Weather**

Channel 4

6.05am Cheers Triple bill of the comedy. (R) (S) (HD)
7.25 The King of Queens Two episodes. (R) (S) (AD)
8.15 Everybody Loves Raymond Double bill. (R) (S) (AD)
9.10 Frasier Two episodes of the sitcom. (R) (S) (AD)
10.05 The Simpsons Double bill. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
11.05 Undercover Boss USA The boss of a discount retailer goes incognito. (R) (S) (HD) **12.05pm News** (S) (HD)
12.10 Romancing the Stone ★★★★ Comedy adventure starring Michael Douglas, Kathleen Turner and Danny DeVito. Bestselling author Joan Wilder is sent a mysterious package containing a treasure map. Then she receives a desperate phone call from her sister, which leads to a perilous adventure.
Director Robert Zemeckis (1984, 12) (S) (W) (HD)
2.10 Countdown Comedian Tim Vine guests. (S) (HD)
3.00 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away Homes in Kent and in Spain's Costa Blanca. (R) (S) (HD)
4.00–5.00 A New Life in the Sun: Where Are They Now? Catching up with a couple who run a boat charter on the Mediterranean. (R) (S) (HD)

BBC1



Dracula *9.00pm* When the Count boards a ship to England, will he find that the crew are to his taste?

4.30pm The Repair Shop
The experts restore a troublesome clock, a precious hand mirror and a 20th-century Eames chair.
Series producer Alex Raw
Executive producers Rob Butterfield and Emma Walsh (R) (S) (HD)

5.15 Pointless
Quiz presented by Alexander Armstrong. (S) (HD)

6.00 BBC News Weather (S) (HD)

6.30 Regional news magazines (S)

7.00 Celebrity Mastermind
Carl Frampton, Victoria Fritz, Wayne Sleep and Rav Wilding answer questions on *The Office*, the Chelsea Flower Show, theatrical producer Lilian Baylis and *The Inbetweeners*. More tomorrow 7pm. (S) (HD)
NOTE: Episode may change depending on football coverage on Saturday 21 December

7.30 EastEnders
Karen fails to get the answers she needs.
Writer Richard Davidson For cast see pages 170/240 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Best Home Cook
RT ***New series. 1/8*** *Series 2.* The culinary contest for talented home cooks returns with Michelin-starred chef Angela Hartnett joining Mary Berry and Chris Bavin on the judging panel. Tonight Mary challenges the contestants to produce their ultimate Italian pasta dinner, including making the pasta from scratch, before Chris tasks them with doing something special with a piece of fruit. After the cooks compete to create the best version of one of Angela's recipes, the judges decide which of them faces the chop. Presented by Claudia Winkleman. **See page 228.**
Director Sarah Myland; Series producer Sharon Tucker (S) (HD)

9.00 Dracula
RT ***2/3. Blood Vessel.*** After Count Dracula boards Russian ship the *Demeter*, the crew members find themselves locked in a life-or-death struggle. Concludes tomorrow 9pm. **See page 228.**

Count Dracula	**Claes Bang**	Valentin	**Clive Russell**
Sister Agatha	**Dolly Wells**	Duchess Valeria	**Catherine Schell**
Jonathan Harker	**John Heffernan**	Piotr	**Samuel Blenkin**
Mina	**Morfydd Clark**	Portmann	**Anthony Flanagan**
Mother Superior	**Joanna Scanlan**	Abramoff	**Alec Utgoff**
Elena	**Lujza Richter**	Jack	**Matthew Beard**
Captain Sokolov	**Jonathan Aris**	Katherine	**Chanel Cresswell**
Dr Sharma	**Sacha Dhawan**	Bloxham	**Lyndsey Marshal**
Olgaren	**Youssef Kerkour**	Bloofer lady	**Lydia West**
Adisa	**Nathan Stewart-Jarrett**	Frank	**Mark Gatiss**
Lord Ruthven	**Patrick Walshe McBride**	Quincy	**Phil Dunster**

Dramatised by Mark Gatiss and Steven Moffat
Director Damon Thomas (S) (AD) (HD)
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See feature: page 52

10.30 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)

11.00 Imagine...
Lenny Henry: Young, Gifted and Black. Sir Lenny Henry meets up with family, friends and colleagues to share memories of how his appearance aged just 16 on talent show *New Faces* catapulted him to fame. As well as recalling his appearances on *Tiswas* and *Three of a Kind*, the profile reflects on the five years when he was the only black performer on *The Black and White Minstrel Show*. Lenny also discusses his career reinvention as a serious actor and his work pushing for greater diversity in the entertainment industry. Presented by Alan Yentob.
Director/Producer Alex Harding (S) (HD)

12.15am Comic Relief Report Back Comedy highlights and updates from this year's fundraising event. (S) (HD)
1.15 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) (HD)
1.20–6.00am BBC News (S) (HD)

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BBC2



Suits You Sir!: the Inside Leg of The Fast Show *10.30pm* The story of the show is sure to be brilliant

5.15pm Flog It!
Paul Martin and the experts invite members of the public to bring their antiques to be valued. (S) (HD)

6.00 Celebrity Antiques Road Trip
Anneka Rice and *Silent Witness* actress Liz Carr embark on a hunt for profitable antiques with the help of Phil Serrell and James Braxton. But when their finds go under the hammer, will the barber's bowl or the coaching trunk make more money? (R) (S) (HD)

7.00 Snow Cats and Me
1/2. Gordon Buchanan helps to return lynx liberated from the fur trade to the wild in Russia.
Shown Sunday 29 December 8pm (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Only Connect
Two former teams with a connection to education, the Clareites and the Beaks, return to ponder more dastardly links. Another edition tomorrow 8pm. (S) (HD)

8.30 Christmas University Challenge
9/10. Two teams of distinguished graduates compete on behalf of their former universities in the second semi-final. Jeremy Paxman hosts. (S) (HD)

9.00 Earth's Tropical Islands
RT ***2/3. Borneo.*** In the heart of south-east Asia, this beautiful island that is more than twice the size of the British Isles is home to an astonishing diversity of life. Its huge variety of habitats, from coral reefs and ancient jungles to towering mountains, have given rise to more than 60,000 species of plants and animals – many of them found nowhere else on Earth – from orangutans to sun bears and flying lizards. For thousands of years, Borneo has been protected by its isolation, but now the arrival of the modern world is threatening its diversity. Narrated by David Harewood. Another edition tomorrow 9pm. **See page 229.** (S) (AD) (HD)
RT TRAVEL To experience Borneo's nature and wilderness first hand, visit radiotimes.com/borneo

10.00 I Love 1996
A look back at the year's highs and lows with Amita Dhiri, one of the stars of the era-defining drama *This Life*. Girl power burst into the public consciousness as the Spice Girls topped the world's charts with their debut anthem *Wannabe*, while England's football team had another date with destiny as Germany loomed in the Euro 96 semi-finals.
Director Rebecca Papworth; Executive producer Alan Brown (R) (S)

10.30 Suits You Sir!: the Inside Leg of The Fast Show
A look at the making of the popular 1990s sketch show, with contributions from the creators, writers, cast – and a few famous fans. (R) (S)

11.15 The Last Fast Show Ever
The members of the gang roll out their favourite characters for the very last time. (R) (S)

11.55 NFL This Week
Mark Chapman is joined by Jason Bell and Osi Umenyiora to review the latest fixtures.
Series editor Rob Williams (S) (HD)

12.45am Operation Avalanche ★★★ Conspiracy comedy thriller starring Matt Johnson and Owen Williams. Two CIA agents go undercover at Nasa and stumble across an earth-shattering conspiracy.
Director Matt Johnson (2015, 15) (S) (W) (HD)
2.15–4.30am Sign Zone 2.15 The Case of Sally Challen Following the mother-of-two's appeal against her conviction for murdering her coercive husband. (R) (S) (HD)
3.45 Home Is Where the Art Is A glass maker, a clay sculptor and a stone carver compete to create a work of art for a homeowner. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

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ITV

Emmerdale *7.00/8.00pm*
Al's plan to steal some cash from the office safe is rumbled by Jai



4.00pm Tipping Point
Ben Shephard hosts the quiz show. (S) (HD)

5.00 The Chase
David, Joe, Sara and Alexis face the Chaser. (S) (HD)

6.00 Regional News Weather (S) (HD)

6.30 ITV Evening News Weather (S) (HD)

7.00 Emmerdale
Diane worries about what lies in store.

Diane Sugden	**Elizabeth Estensen**	Danny Harrington	**Louis Healy**
Aaron Dingle	**Danny Miller**	David Metcalfe	**Matthew Wolfenden**
Al Chapman	**Michael Wildman**	Dawn Taylor	**Olivia Bromley**
Amy Wyatt	**Natalie Ann Jamieson**	Dotty Thomas	**Tilly Rue Foster**
Andrea Tate	**Anna Nightingale**	Elliot Windsor	**Luca Hoyle**
Angelica King	**Rebecca Bakes**	Ellis Chapman	**Aaron Anthony**
April Windsor	**Amelia Flanagan**	Eric Pollard	**Christopher Chittell**
Archie Breckle	**Kai Assi**	Gabby Thomas	**Rosie Bentham**
Arthur Thomas	**Alfie Clarke**	Graham Foster	**Andrew Scarborough**
Barbara	**Sandra Duncan**	Harriet Finch	**Katherine Dow Blyton**
Belle Dingle	**Eden Taylor-Draper**	Isaac Dingle	**Bobby Dunsmuir**
Bob Hope	**Tony Audenshaw**	Jacob Gallagher	**Joe-Warren Plant**
Brenda Walker	**Lesley Dunlop**	Jai Sharma	**Christopher Bisson**
Cain Dingle	**Jeff Hordley**	Jamie Tate	**Alexander Lincoln**
Charity Dingle	**Emma Atkins**	Janet	**Liz Carney**
Chas Dingle	**Lucy Pargeter**	Jimmy King	**Nick Miles**
Dan Spencer	**Liam Fox**	Johnny Woodfield	**Luca Myron Hebda**

Writer Jo Maris More cast tomorrow
Repeated tomorrow 7.45am and 12.10pm ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

7.30 Cash Free Britain? Tonight
Three quarters of all items bought in the UK are now paid for by card, and some businesses refuse to take cash at all. Adnan Sarwar asks if we're heading for a cashless society.
Producer Alice Taylor Repeated 3am (S) (HD)
NOTE: as *Tonight* reacts to the news its subject matter may change

8.00 Emmerdale
Leyla is unsure where she stands.
Writer Anna Clements
Repeated tomorrow 8.20am and 12.40pm ITV2 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.30 Gino's Italian Express
RT ***6/8*** *Series 7.* Gino D'Acampo begins a tour of Tuscany in Pisa, home of the Vespa, and explores the city on one of the scooters, before boarding a rain to the medieval city of Lucca. There, he learns about the art of violin-making before rustling up a simple dish of asparagus two ways. Moving on to Florence, Gino meets Cecilia, a local cook who opens her kitchen to guests from all over the world. **See page 228.**
Director Ruth Binsley; Series producers Emily Burndred and Ruth Binsley (S) (AD) (HD)
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9.00 Bancroft
2/3 *Series 2.* With the evidence surrounding the Connors' murders building, Harper and the team receive conflicting accounts. Meanwhile, Bancroft is forced to choose between her personal and professional loyalties. Concludes tomorrow 9pm.
For cast see yesterday (S) (AD) (HD)

10.20 ITV News
Weather; Regional News and Weather (S) (HD)

11.05 Piers Morgan's Life Stories
Lord Sugar, the veteran businessman and hirer and firer on *The Apprentice,* reflects on his life.
Series director Paul Kirrage; Series producer Elen Moore (R) (S) (HD)

12.05am Home Shopping
3.00 Cash Free Britain? Tonight Shown 7.30pm (S) (HD)
3.25 Nightscreen Text information. (HD)
5.05–6.00am Judge Rinder (R) (S) (SL) (HD)

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Channel 4

Last Minute Holiday Secrets Unpacked *8.00pm*
Scarlette Douglas investigates bargain getaways



5.00pm Couples Come Dine with Me
Three couples host a trio of dinner parties in Essex, including a night of tip-top cuisine, a pantomime-themed menu and an evening of north Indian cuisine at a "bhangra bonanza".
Director/Producer Nick Webb (S) (HD)

6.00 The Simpsons
Raging Abe Simpson and His Grumbling Grandson in "The Curse of the Flying Hellfish"
Grampa and Bart search for a hoard of plundered booty from the Second World War. (R) (S) (AD)

6.30 Hollyoaks
Jack tells Breda about his plans for the future.
Writer Jayshree Patel Cast pages 171/241
Shown New Year's Eve 7pm E4 Repeated tomorrow 6.30am E4
Next episode follows on E4 (S) (AD) (HD)

7.00 Channel 4 News Sport; Weather (S) (HD)

8.00 Last Minute Holiday Secrets Unpacked
RT Scarlette Douglas investigates how important the time of booking is when trying to get the lowest price for holidays and whether waiting until the last minute is the key to grabbing a bargain. Revealing the secrets of successfully booking late holidays, she competes with a family who booked their trip in advance to see whether she can match their booking and possibly beat the price. She also learns tips from travel experts on how to save money and how to maximise spending potential while abroad. **See page 228.**
Producer Christopher Hardy; Exec producers Sam Grace and Maddi Knibbs Rptd tomorrow 8pm 4seven (S) (AD) (HD)
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9.00 Big Fat Quiz of the Decade
RT Why was lasagna big news in 2013? Who squeezed through a hole in the wall in 2015? And what are Pikachu's friends called? Guest panellists Claudia Winkleman, Nish Kumar, Joe Lycett, Alan Carr, Stacey Solomon and Jonathan Ross will be racking their brains to remember as Jimmy Carr grills them on the minutiae of the last ten years. Jon Snow and Charles Dance are among those helping to pose the head-scratching questions. **See page 229.**
Director Mick Thomas; Series producer Juliet Redden
Repeated tomorrow 11.05pm 4seven (S) (HD)

11.05 Celebrity Gogglebox 2019
Memorable moments from the television review show featuring the likes of Rylan Clark-Neal, Nick Grimshaw, Martin Kemp, Gyles Brandreth and Sheila Hancock opining on programmes including *Love Island*, *Naked Attraction*, *Killing Eve* and *First Dates*. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

12.05am First Dates at Christmas Eight singletons from across the UK head to one of the cosiest pubs in the country, hoping to unwrap some romance.
Shown Christmas Day 9.30pm (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)
1.05 Tom Allen Absolutely Live A stand-up performance recorded at the London Palladium, featuring the comedian's unique style of sharp, acerbic wit and riotous storytelling. (R) (S) (HD)
2.00 The Cure Drama based on the real-life story of Julie Bailey who exposed one of the worst hospital care scandals in the history of the NHS. After the death of Julie's mother, she was determined that no other patient should be treated so badly and launched a campaign which led to a public inquiry. (R) (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)
3.15 Come Dine with Me Five soirées in Sheffield, including some 1920s entertainment. (R) (S) (HD)
5.35–6.05am Extreme Cake Makers Three cake makers hope to impress at Cake International. (R) (S) (HD)

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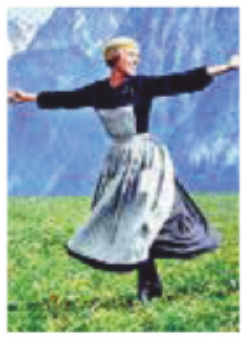
BBC4

The Sound of Music *7.00pm*
Young nun Maria discovers a life beyond the convent



7.00pm The Sound of Music
★★★★★ Celebrated family musical starring Julie Andrews and Christopher Plummer. When trainee nun Maria has doubts about her vocation, she leaves her convent in Salzburg to become governess to the seven children of a widower and retired naval officer. The spirited Maria instils a love of music in the children, but the family's happiness is threatened by the Nazi occupation of Austria. **Film of the Day: page 94.**

Maria	**Julie Andrews**
Captain Von Trapp	**Christopher Plummer**
Baroness	**Eleanor Parker**
Max Detweiler	**Richard Haydn**
Mother Abbess	**Peggy Wood**
Liesl	**Charmian Carr**
Louisa	**Heather Menzies**
Friedrich	**Nicholas Hammond**
Kurt	**Duane Chase**
Brigitta	**Angela Cartwright**
Marta	**Debbie Turner**
Gretl	**Kym Karath**
Sister Margaretta	**Anna Lee**
Sister Berthe	**Portia Nelson**
Herr Zeller	**Ben Wright**
Rolfe	**Daniel Truhitte**

Director Robert Wise (1965, U) (S) (W) (HD)

9.45 Julie Andrews: Talking Pictures
A look at TV appearances made over the years by the actress and singer, capturing the milestones of her life and career. Also featuring classic clips from some of her most famous films. Narrated by Sylvia Syms.
Producers Karn Christensen and Kate Robertson
Series producer Simon Goretzki (R) (S) (HD)

10.30 Inspector Montalbano
Series 1. **Montalbano's Croquettes**
The death of a wealthy man and his wife in a car crash are initially ruled an accident, but Montalbano spots evidence of a more sinister explanation when he notes that the woman's fingernails are broken. Italian +subtitles. (R) (HD)

Salvo Montalbano	**Luca Zingaretti**
Livia Burlando	**Katharina Bohm**
Mimi Augello	**Cesare Bocci**
Ingrid Sjostrom	**Isabell Sollman**
Tortorella	**Marco Cavallaro**
Galluzzo	**Davide Lo Verde**
Fazio	**Peppino Mazzotta**
Catarella	**Angelo Russo**
Bonetti Alderighi	**Giacinto Ferro**
Jacomuzzi	**Giovanni Guardiano**
Nicolo Zito	**Roberto Nobile**

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12.05am Jonas Kaufmann: Tenor for the Ages Following the opera singer over the course of two years as he takes the stage having recovered from a vocal injury. (R) (S) (HD)
1.35 Daredevils and Divas: a Night at the Circus A compilation of top British circus acts to mark the 250th anniversary of the first modern circus. (R) (S) (HD)
2.35–3.35am Searching for Sam: Adrian Dunbar on Samuel Beckett The *Line of Duty* star examines the life and work of the playwright. **See choice, page 199.**
Shown Monday 30 December 10pm (S) (SL)

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Regional variations

BBC1 SCOTLAND
6.45–7.00pm Beechgrove Repotted: horticultural tips **11.00** Holby City **12 midnight** Imagine… **1.15am** Comic Relief Report Back **2.15** Weather for the Week Ahead **2.20–6.00** BBC News

BBC SCOTLAND
As BBC2 until: **7.00pm** The Seven **7.15** Rewind 1990s **7.30** Emeli Sandé's Street Symphony **8.30** The Scandals That Shocked Scotland: the story that tore apart a political party **9.00** Selling Scotland **10.00 FILM:** Tommy's Honour: golfing drama **11.45–12 midnight** Rewind 1990s

STV
6.00–6.30pm What's On Scotland **8.30–9.00** Best Walks with a View with Julia Bradbury **11.05** Gino's Italian Express **11.40** Bradley Walsh's Late Night Guest List **12.30am** Take Me Out Emergency Services Special **1.25** Cash Free Britain? Tonight **1.50** Nightscreen **5.05–5.05** Judge Rinder

BBC1 WALES
3.30pm Garden Rescue: in Stoke-on-Trent **4.00** The Repair Shop **4.45–5.15** Tudur's TV Flashback: Tudur Owen sets out to discover the truth about love

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RT RT Choice Family Red button (R) Repeat (S) Subtitles (SL) Signing (AD) Audio description (HD) High def **FILMS** P Premiere (W) Widescreen (BW) Black/white ★★★★★ Outstanding ★★★★ Very good ★★★ Worth watching ★★ Could be worse ★ Poor

THURSDAY Freeview

Channel 5 5



The Big Wedding *11.05pm* A happy day for Alejandro and Missy

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HD **Freeview** 105 **Freesat** 105 **Virgin** 150

6.00am Milkshake! See page 235
9.15 ***New.*** **Jeremy Vine** (S) (HD)
11.15 Police Interceptors Tracking down a high-powered Audi in Bradford. (S) (HD)
12.10pm 5 News (S) (HD)
12.15 World's Strongest Man: the Final Action from the event in Florida. Shown yesterday 7.30pm (S) (HD)
1.35 ***New.*** **Neighbours** Repeated 6pm (S) (AD) (HD)
2.10 What Women Want ★★★★ Romantic comedy starring Mel Gibson and Helen Hunt. Everything changes for chauvinist Nick Marshall after he discovers he can hear the thoughts of every woman. Director Nancy Meyers (2000, 12) (S) (W) (HD)
4.35 Friends Monica and Chandler interview a potential sperm donor. (S) (HD)
5.05 The gang visits Barbados. (S) (HD)
5.30pm 5 News (S) (HD)
6.00 Neighbours Harlow clashes with Paul. Shown 1.35pm Rptd 6pm 5 Star (S) (AD) (HD)
6.30 5 News Tonight (S) (HD)
7.00 Building the Ice Hotel Ake Larsson and Arne Bergh embark on the annual task of turning 30,000 tons of snow and 10,000 tons of ice into the ICEHOTEL in northern Sweden. Shown Sunday 22 December 7.05pm (S) (HD)
Followed by **5 News Update** (S) (HD)
8.00 ***New.*** **Grime and Punishment** Every winter, Britain produces a huge amount of seasonal waste. This one-off special follows those tasked with clearing up the mess. Enforcement officers chase down a fly-tipper, while a festive fatberg leaves sewage busters with a foul mess. Directors/Producers Tim Brocklehurst and Jamie Welham (S) (HD)
Followed by **5 News Update** (S) (HD)
9.00 ***New.*** **Big Fat Lies about Diet and Exercise** This exposé of how dieting and exercise can sometimes be dangerous includes the shocking stories of a fitness fanatic who was left with kidney stones after extreme "bulking" and a woman whose body reacted badly to a liquid-only diet. Executive producers Jason Wells, Simon Withington, Elaine Hackett (S) (HD)
11.05 The Big Wedding ★★ Comedy starring Robert De Niro. As guests arrive for their adopted son's wedding, divorced Don and Ellie Griffin are forced to act out a charade of happy families to satisfy the young man's religious birth mother. Director Justin Zackham (2013, 15) (S) (W) (HD)
1.00am ***New.*** Casino (S) (HD) **3.10** Gemma Collins: in Therapy (S) (HD) **4.00** The Funny Thing About (S) (HD) **4.45** House Doctor (S) (SL) (HD) **5.10** Great Artists (S) (SL) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** Wildlife SOS (S) (SL) (HD)

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ITV2 6



SPYkids 2: the Island of Lost Dreams *9.50am* The kids seek a mad scientists

F'view 6 **F'sat** 113 **Sky** 118 **Virgin** 115 **HD** **Virgin** 176

7.00am Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **7.15** You've Been Framed! Gold (S) **7.45** Emmerdale (S) (AD) (HD) **8.50** Coronation Street (S) (AD) (HD) **9.50 FILM** SPYkids 2: the Island of Lost Dreams ★★★★ Fantasy action adventure starring Antonio Banderas (S) (AD) (W) (HD) **11.55** Emmerdale Shown yesterday 7pm ITV (S) (AD) (HD)
12.55pm Coronation Street Shown yesterday 8pm ITV (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00** ***New.*** The Ellen DeGeneres Show: with singer Harry Styles and *Star Wars* actor John Boyega (S) (HD) **2.50** I'm a Celebrity…Surviving the Jungle (S) (HD) **3.50** I'm a Celebrity…Legends of the Jungle (S) (HD) **4.50** Take Me Out 80s Special (S) (HD) **5.55** You've Been Framed! Gold (S)
6.25pm The Lost World: Jurassic Park ★★★ Sci-fi adventure. Past experience tells Dr Ian Malcolm not to get involved with businessman John Hammond's new scheme to build a dinosaur park. However, he reluctantly agrees when he realises that his girlfriend is already on site.

Dr Ian Malcolm	**Jeff Goldblum**
Dr Sarah Harding	**Julianne Moore**
Roland Tembo	**Pete Postlethwaite**
Peter Ludlow	**Arliss Howard**
John Hammond	**Richard Attenborough**

Director Steven Spielberg (1997, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
9.00 The Hangover: Part II ★★★ Comedy starring Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms and Zach Galifianakis. Two years after their trip to Las Vegas, the Wolf Pack head to Thailand for a stag party – but, again, things don't exactly go to plan. Director Todd Phillips (2011, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
11.05 Family Guy *Series 8.* Peter participates in a medical experiment to make money. (S) (AD) (HD)
11.35 *Series 7.* Brian enlists Stewie to help him get his driving licence back. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.05am American Dad! (S) (AD) (HD)
1.00 Celebrity Juice: Bestest Bits 2015 (S) (HD)
2.00 The Keith Lemon Sketch Show (S) (HD)
2.30–3.30am Hell's Kitchen USA (S) (HD)

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ITV3 10



Harry and Meghan: an African Journey *6.55pm* The royal tour

F'view 10 **F'sat** 115 **Sky** 119 **Virgin** 117 **HD** **Virgin** 177

6.00am The Royal (S) (AD) (HD) **6.55** George & Mildred (S) **7.25 FILM** Carry On Loving ★★ Comedy starring Sidney James (S) (AD) (W) **9.10 FILM** Carry On Behind ★★ Comedy (S) (W) **11.00 FILM** Holiday on the Buses ★ Comedy starring Reg Varney (S) (AD) (W)
12.40pm Heartbeat (S) (AD) **1.45** Classic Emmerdale: double bill. The embers of a romance turn into flames for Pollard, then Michael's behaviour worries Rachel (S) **2.50** Classic Coronation Street: double bill. Liz frets about Steve's whereabouts, then Des cannot bring himself to tell Raquel about Tanya (S) **3.55** Agatha Christie's Marple (S) (AD) (HD)
5.50pm Heartbeat The police reopen an old case. (S) (AD)
6.55 Harry and Meghan: an African Journey When the Duke and Duchess of Sussex took their baby son Archie on their recent royal tour of southern Africa, reporter Tom Bradby spoke to the couple about the issues they care most about, as well as their distinctive approach to the business of being a modern royal.
8.00 Midsomer Murders **Harvest of Souls.** The annual fair brings the daredevil riders of the Wall of Death to Midsomer village Whitcombe Mallet. But when the owner of an equestrian centre is trampled by his horse, Barnaby and Nelson find themselves having to unravel a complex feud from the past.
10.00 Vera ***2/4*** *Series 9.* **Cuckoo.** DCI Vera Stanhope is called to a tragic murder scene at a shipyard in a sleepy coastal town, where an unidentified teenage boy has been found dead. He isn't recognised locally, but missing persons records reveal that a troubled boy absconded from the care of his support worker. (S) (AD) (HD)
12 midnight A Touch of Frost (S)
2.00am Agatha Christie's Poirot
3.10–3.30am Nightscreen

+1 **F'view** 34 *(9pm–midnight)* **F'sat** 116 **Sky** 219 **Virgin** 174

Drama 20



Jane Eyre *1.50pm* Edward Rochester meets his new governess Jane Eyre

Freeview 20 **Freesat** 158 **Sky** 143 **Virgin** 130

7.30am Soldier Soldier (S) **8.25** The Bill (S) **9.25** Classic Holby City **10.25** Classic Casualty: a grenade explodes **11.25** The Bill (S)
12.30pm Classic EastEnders: double bill
1.50 Jane Eyre: drama starring Ruth Wilson, Toby Stephens and Lorraine Ashbourne. A young woman leaves the dark memories of her past behind to embark on a career as a governess at the home of the alluring and unpredictable Edward Rochester
7.10pm One Foot in the Grave A face from the past haunts the Meldrews. Christmas special from 1994. (S)
8.00 Father Brown ***13/15*** *Series 3.* **The Paradise of Thieves** When a man is found dead inside a locked bank vault, Father Brown must solve the mystery to save an innocent man from paying the ultimate price. (S) (AD) (HD)
9.00 Death in Paradise ***5/8*** *Series 6.* **Man Overboard 1/2.** A man is murdered miles out at sea – and as the investigation deepens, Humphrey and his team are required to take their inquiry all the way to London. (S) (AD) (HD)

DI Humphrey Goodman	**Kris Marshall**
Officer Dwayne Myers	**Danny John-Jules**
DS Florence Cassell	**Joséphine Jobert**
Officer JP Hooper	**Tobi Bakare**
Martin West	**Nigel Betts**

10.20 New Tricks ***4/10*** *Series 11.* **Ghosts.** When a patient with dementia runs away from her care home to report a killing, the team investigates the possible murder of a policeman in 1956. Meanwhile, Steve finds himself face to face with his ex-wife Tricia. (S) (AD) (HD)
11.40 Taggart ***3/3*** *Series 1.* **Murder in Season** Glamorous opera singer Eleanor Samson becomes the prime suspect when her estranged husband's lover is killed. (S)
2.40am The House of Eliott (S)
3.30–4.00am Garden Hopping

Drama +1 **Sky** 243 **Virgin** 226

ITV4 24

F'view 24 **F'sat** 117 **Sky** 120 **Virgin** 118 **HD** **Virgin** 178

6.00am The Protectors (S) **6.25** The Chase (S) (HD) **7.15** Quincy (S) (HD) **8.00** Kojak (S) (HD) **9.05** Minder (S) (AD) **10.15** The Professionals (S) (AD) **11.20** The Sweeney (S)
12.25pm Quincy (S) (HD) **1.30** Kojak (S) (HD) **2.35** The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes (S) (HD) **3.45** Minder (S) (AD) **4.50** The Professionals (S) (AD) **5.55** The Sweeney (S)
7.00pm The Chase Celebrity Special With Nicky Byrne, Amy Williams, Natalie Cassidy and Dave Myers. (S) (HD)
8.00 Heathrow: Britain's Busiest Airport Heavy fog throws Heathrow into turmoil. (S) (HD)
9.00 FILM Under Siege ★★★★ Action adventure with Steven Seagal and Tommy Lee Jones. The US navy's biggest battleship is hijacked by criminals intent on stealing its lucrative nuclear arsenal. (S) (W) (HD)
11.10 FILM Get Carter ★★★★ Crime thriller starring Michael Caine as a London gangster who travels to the North East after the mysterious death of his brother. (S) (W) (HD)
1.25am The Sweeney (S) (SL) **2.25** Bad Move (S) (AD) (HD) **2.50–3.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITV4 +1 **Freesat** 154 **Sky** 220 **Virgin** 175

ITVBe 26

F'view 26 **F'sat** 118 **Sky** 131 **Virgin** 119 **HD** **Virgin** 179

7.00am The Bachelorette (S) (HD) **8.50** Be Beautiful (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** LittleBe (HD)
12 noon Be Tasty (S) (AD) (HD) **12.10pm** The Real Housewives of Atlanta (S) (HD) **1.05** Million Dollar Listing: LA (HD) **2.10** The Real Housewives of Orange County (S) (HD) **3.10** Tanya's Extreme Therapies (HD) **5.00** The Real Housewives of New Jersey (S) (HD)
6.00pm Buying and Selling A couple search for a new home so their daughters can stay at their current school. (S) (HD)
7.00 Jonathan Scott tackles the unusual layout of a couple's starter home. (HD)
8.00 Dinner Date A man from Birmingham goes on three blind dates. (S) (AD) (HD)
9.00 Botched A dominatrix undergoes an unconventional procedure for "backside projection". (S) (AD) (HD)
10.00 Married to Medicine: Atlanta (S) (HD)
11.00 The Real Housewives of Potomac US reality series following a group of women living in Maryland. (S) (AD) (HD)
12 midnight The Only Way Is Essex (S)
12.45–12.55am Nightscreen (HD)

ITVBe +1 **Freesat** 119 **Sky** 231 **Virgin** 120

Dave 19

F'view 19 **F'sat** 157 **Sky** 111 **Virgin** 127 **HD** **Virgin** 227 **BT** 387

7.10am Brojects: double bill (S) (HD) **8.00** American Pickers: Best Of (S) (HD) **9.00** Storage Hunters: double bill (S) (HD) **10.00** American Pickers: Best Of (S) (HD) **11.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad (S) (HD)
12 noon Sin City Motors (S) (HD) **1.00pm** Top Gear (AD) (HD) **2.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad (S) (HD) **3.00** Sin City Motors (S) (HD) **4.00** James May's Cars of the People (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00** Top Gear: double bill (S) (AD)
7.00pm QI Guests include Jessica Hynes. (S)
7.40 Would I Lie to You? With Jo Brand, Roisin Conaty, Paul Foot and Ray Mears. (S) (HD)
8.20 With Ray Winstone, Josh Widdicombe, Rachel Riley and Ricky Tomlinson. (S) (HD)
9.00 All Girls Live at the Apollo Featuring Sara Pascoe and Lucy Porter. (HD)
10.00 Taskmaster: Champion of Champions A two-part special edition. (S) (HD)
11.00 QI XL Double bill. (HD)
12.20am Mock the Week (S) (HD) **1.00** Would I Lie to You? (S) (HD) **1.40** QI XL: double bill (HD) **3.00** Mock the Week (S) (HD) **3.35–4.00am** The Indestructibles: with Tim Warwood (HD)

Dave Ja Vu **Freeview** 79 **Sky** 211 **Virgin** 131

ALL PROGRAMMES ON THE ABOVE CHANNELS ARE REPEATS UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

More4 18



New Amsterdam *10.00pm* Dean Fulton gives Max some advice

F'view 18 **F'sat** 124 **Sky** 136 **Virgin** 147 **HD** **Virgin** 195

8.55am Food Unwrapped **9.35** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun: double bill (S) (HD) **11.35** Escape to the Château (S) (AD) (HD) **12.40pm** Come Dine with Me (S) (HD) **3.20** Four in a Bed: five editions (S) (HD)

5.55pm Come Dine with Me
A week of dinner parties from Dudley in the West Midlands. (S) (HD)

8.00 Escape to the Château
Plans for the moat and woods. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 24 Hours in A&E
A delivery man is rushed to A&E after an accident involving a police car. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 *New.* New Amsterdam
14/22. Sharpe deals with a case involving an addicted mother and baby. (S) (AD) (HD)

Dr Max Goodwin	**Ryan Eggold**
Dr Lauren Bloom	**Janet Montgomery**
Dr Helen Sharpe	**Freema Agyeman**
Dr Floyd Reynolds	**Jocko Sims**
Dean Peter Fulton	**Ron Rifkin**

11.00 999: What's Your Emergency?
Mental health issues. (S) (AD) (HD)

12 midnight Emergency Helicopter Medics (S) (AD) (HD) **1.05am** 24 Hours in A&E (S) (AD) (HD) **2.05** New Amsterdam (S) (AD) (HD) **3.10–3.35am** Father Ted (S) (AD)

More4 +1 **Freeview** 86 **Freesat** 125 **Sky** 236 **Virgin** 196

E4 13

F'view 13 **F'sat** 122 **Sky** 135 **Virgin** 106 **HD** **Virgin** 145

6.00am Hollyoaks Shown Mon 30 Dec 6pm/New Year's Eve 6.30pm C4 (AD) **7.30** Celebrity Come Dine with Me **8.00** How I Met Your Mother (AD) **9.00** Mike & Molly **10.00** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **11.00** The Goldbergs (AD) **12 noon** Brooklyn Nine-Nine (AD) **1.00pm** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **2.00** Mike & Molly **3.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine (AD) **4.00** The Goldbergs (AD) **5.00** The Big Bang Theory (AD)

6.00pm The Big Bang Theory (AD)
7.00 *New.* Hollyoaks Darren is shocked. Cast pp171/241 Rptd tomorrow 6.30pm C4 (AD)
7.30 FILM Bend It like Beckham ★★★ Comedy drama starring Parminder Nagra and Keira Knightley. (W)
9.45 The Inbetweeners *1/6* *Series 3.* Carli organises a fashion show.
10.20 *2/6.* Simon tries to impress a girl.
10.50 *3/6.* Simon's principles are tested.
11.25 *4/6.* The friends visit a university.
11.55 *5/6.* Will is left home alone.
12.30am *6/6.* Will organises one final trip before the gang go their separate ways. (AD)
1.05 Gogglebox (SL) (AD) **2.15** Naked Attraction (AD) **3.05** The Inbetweeners: triple bill (SL) (AD) **4.30** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **5.20–6.00am** How I Met Your Mother (AD)

E4 +1 **Freeview** 28 **Freesat** 123 **Sky** 235 **Virgin** 146

4seven 47

F'view 47 **F'sat** 127 **Sky** 137 **Virgin** 143 **HD** **F'view** 110

9.00am Come Dine with Me **11.30** A Place in the Sun **12 noon** A Place in the Sun: Home or Away **1.00pm** Undercover Boss USA **2.00** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **3.00** Everybody Loves Raymond (AD) **4.00** Frasier (AD) **5.00** A Place in the Sun **6.00** A New Life in the Sun: Where Are They Now? **7.00** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **8.00** A Very British Country House (AD) **9.00** The Great Festive Bake Off **See choice, p218** (AD) **10.20** Amazing Spaces: Northern Lights Adventure (AD) **11.20** The Secret Life of the Zoo (AD) **12.25am** Child Genius vs Celebrities (AD) **1.30** Last Minute Holiday Secrets Unpacked (AD) **2.35** Great Canal Journeys (AD) **3.40–4.40am** Christmas at Chatsworth House (AD)

Paramount Network 54



Elizabeth: the Golden Age *9.00pm* Cate Blanchett as the Virgin Queen

F'view 54 **F'sat** 132 **Sky** 153 **Virgin** 188 **HD** **Virgin** 187

9.00am The Office US: double bill (HD) **9.55** Now That's Funny!: double bill (S) (HD) **12 noon FILM** Death of a Vegas Showgirl ★★ Crime drama (HD) **1.50pm FILM** Killer Cove ★★ Thriller starring Haley Webb (HD) **3.35 FILM** Forgotten Evil ★★ Thriller starring Masiela Lusha (HD) **5.25 FILM** The Lodger: Evil Upstairs ★★ Drama (HD)

7.10pm Nightmare in Paradise ★★
Thriller starring AnnaLynne McCord. When her husband goes missing, a woman must battle to prove that she is not responsible for his disappearance. Director Michael Feifer (2019) (HD)

9.00 Elizabeth: the Golden Age
★★★★ Historical drama sequel starring Cate Blanchett, Clive Owen and Geoffrey Rush. Queen Elizabeth I is under pressure to resolve the problem of her imprisoned Catholic cousin Mary. Director Shekhar Kapur (2007, 12) (HD)

11.10 28 Weeks Later ★★★★
Zombie horror sequel starring Rose Byrne and Robert Carlyle. Director Juan Carlos Fresnadillo (2007, 18) (HD)

1.15am Sleepy Hollow (HD) **3.50** Now That's Funny! (S) (HD) **4.40** The Office US (S) (HD) **5.00** Neighbours (S) (AD) (HD) **5.30** Access (S) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** The Office US (HD)

Pick 11

Freeview 11 **Freesat** 144 **Sky** 152 **Virgin** 165

7.00am Caught Red Handed **9.00** The Best of Nothing to Declare **11.00** Nothing to Declare **11.30** The Best of Nothing to Declare **12.30pm** Nothing to Declare **1.00** Stop, Search, Seize (AD) **6.00pm** Stop, Search, Seize: triple bill of the documentary following the work of Ireland's border force officers as they stop smugglers from bringing in drugs, money, guns and cars (AD) **9.00** Double Murder: the Inside Story: following officers as they investigated the murders of two Polish brothers in 2005, from the moment the bodies were discovered to the culprits' arrest **10.00** How I Caught the Killer **4.00am** Road Wars **5.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol

Pick +1 **Freeview** 92 **Freesat** 145 **Sky** 252

Sony Channel 48

Freeview 48 *(limited)* **Freesat** 142 **Sky** 157 **Virgin** 189

6.00am The Waltons **7.00** Hart to Hart **9.00** M*A*S*H **9.30** Charlie's Angels **12 noon** TJ Hooker **2.00pm** Hart to Hart **4.00** Murder, She Wrote **6.00** Charlie's Angels: a consignment of medicine is hijacked **7.00** M*A*S*H **9.00** Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? **12 midnight** M*A*S*H **2.00am** Charlie's Angels **3.00** M*A*S*H **3.30** The Waltons **4.20** Touched by an Angel **5.10–6.00am** Highway to Heaven

Sony Channel +1 **Freesat** 152 **Sky** 257

Horror Channel 70

Freeview 70 **Freesat** 138 **Sky** 317 **Virgin** 149

8.00am Andromeda **9.00** Star Trek: Voyager **10.00** Star Trek **11.00 FILM** Planet of the Sharks ★★ Action horror **12.50pm** Highlights **1.00 FILM** 3-Headed Shark Attack ★★ Sci-fi horror **2.50** Highlights **3.00** Sliders **4.00 FILM** Miami Magma ★★ Disaster movie **5.50** Highlights **6.00pm** Star Trek **7.00** Star Trek: Voyager **8.00** Mutant X **9.00 FILM** 5ive Girls ★★ Horror starring Ron Perlman **10.55 FILM** Black Water ★★★ Horror thriller starring Maeve Dermody **12.40am FILM** Urban Legend ★★ Horror thriller **2.40 FILM** The Return ★★ Supernatural thriller **4.20–4.30am** Highlights

5 USA 21

Freeview 21 **Freesat** 129 **Sky** 141 **Virgin** 153

9.00am Access **9.10** Criminals: Caught on Camera **9.30** CSI: NY (S) **1.00pm** Columbo: Dagger of the Mind **3.05** Columbo: Murder, Smoke and Shadows (S) (AD) **5.05** Law & Order (S) **8.00** NCIS (S) (AD) **9.00 *New.*** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit *Series 18*
A woman is attacked in her home. First shown on Universal (S) **10.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit *Series 17.* Triple bill. A home invasion escalates **10.55** A high-school rape case turns into a debacle **11.55** A woman is raped in full view of her neighbours (S) (AD) **12.50am** CSI: NY (S) **1.45** Longmire (S) **3.00–4.00am** Criminals: Caught on Camera

5 USA +1 **F'view** 57 (not 2-4am) **F'sat** 130 **Sky** 241 **Virgin** 185

5 Star 30

Freeview 30 **Freesat** 131 **Sky** 128 **Virgin** 151

8.00am 3rd Rock from the Sun (S) (HD) **9.45** Will & Grace (HD) **10.40** Last Man Standing (S) (HD) **11.30** World's Strongest Man (S) (HD) **1.05pm** Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** Neighbours (S) (AD) (HD) **3.35** Last Man Standing (S) (HD) **4.00** Strongman (S) (HD) **6.00pm** Neighbours Simulcast with C5 (S) (AD) (HD) **6.30** Home and Away in 2020: New Decades, New Attitude (S) (HD) **7.00** Funniest Ever Talent Show Moments (S) (HD) **8.00** Greatest Ever Christmas Movie Blunders (S) (HD) **9.00 FILM** Bridget Jones's Baby ★★★★ Romantic comedy starring Renée Zellweger, Colin Firth and Patrick Dempsey (S) (HD) **11.30 FILM** There's Something about Mary ★★★★ Romantic comedy (S) (HD) **1.55–4.00am** Wentworth Prison (S) (AD) (HD)

5 Star +1 **Freeview** 56 **Sky** 228 **Virgin** 186

5 Spike 31

Freeview 31 **Freesat** 141 **Sky** 150 **Virgin** 154

9.00am Access (HD) **9.10** The A-Team (AD) (HD) **11.15** Police Interceptors (HD) **12.20pm** Traffic Cops: Under Attack (HD) **1.25 FILM** Dakota Lil ★★ Western **3.10 FILM** Chuka ★★ Western (HD) **5.20 FILM** The Great Sioux Uprising ★★ Western (HD) **7.05 FILM** The 7th Voyage of Sinbad ★★★★ Adventure starring Kerwin Mathews (HD) **9.00 *New.*** Car Crash TV (HD) **10.00 *New.*** High Alert: Policing the Streets: Mike and Justin look into reports of vagrants selling narcotics (HD) **11.00 FILM** Freelancers ★★ Crime thriller (HD) **1.00–3.00am** Knight Rider (AD)

5 Spike +1 **Sky** 250

5 Select 55

Freeview 55 **Freesat** 133 **Sky** 159 **Virgin** 152

9.00am Access **9.10** Paddington Station 24/7 **10.00** Cruising with Jane McDonald **11.00** The Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies **2.00pm** GPs: behind Closed Doors **4.00** The Yorkshire Vet **5.00** The Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies (S) **6.00** GPs: behind Closed Doors (S) (AD) **8.00** The Yorkshire Vet **9.00** Casualty 24/7: Nathan, 28, is involved in a motorcycle accident **10.00** Critical Condition **11.00** My Obese Life **12 midnight** Twin Towers: the Missing Evidence **1.00am** Hitler's Death: a Secret Conspiracy **2.00** Conspiracy: Faking the Moon Landings **3.00–4.00am** Conspiracy: the Cold War Files

CBS Justice 39

Freeview 39 **Freesat** 137 **Sky** 148 **Virgin** 192

9.00am Diagnosis Murder **11.00** Matlock **12 noon** Perry Mason **1.05pm** Walker, Texas Ranger **2.05** CSI: Miami **3.00** NCIS **5.00** Matlock **6.00pm** Perry Mason **7.05** NCIS **8.00** Walker, Texas Ranger: a former convict shoots Alex **9.00** CSI: NY **10.00** NCIS **12 midnight** CSI: Miami **1.00am** CSI: NY **2.00** Gunsmoke **3.05** Bonanza **4.50–6.00am** Mission: Impossible

CBS Drama 71

Freeview 71 **Freesat** 134 **Sky** 147 **Virgin** 197

9.00am Medium **10.00** ER **11.00** The Love Boat **12 noon** Judge Judy **1.00pm** Bonanza **3.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **4.00** Unsolved Mysteries **6.00** The Love Boat **7.00** JAG **8.00** Judge Judy **9.00** Medium: an investigation could help Joe secure a job **10.00** JAG: Harm prosecutes an abusive husband **11.00** The Love Boat **12 midnight** Judge Judy **1.00am** ER **2.00** Medium **3.00** JAG **4.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **5.00–6.00am** Matlock

Listings for **PBS America**, **Smithsonian** see over. **Film4** and other **Freeview movie** channels: **p236**

Yesterday 25

Freeview 25 **Freesat** 159 **Sky** 155 **Virgin** 129

6.00am Secrets of the Bible (S) (HD) **8.00** Nazi Hunters (S) **11.00** Wild Africa (S) **7.00pm** Underground Worlds: the sinister history of Edinburgh's underground vaults (S) (HD) **8.00** Abandoned Engineering: ruins from the time before the fall of the Berlin Wall, including a covert Communist base that hid Cold War submarines for Tito (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Bangers and Cash: a man reluctantly sends his dream car to auction (S) (HD) **10.00** Secrets of the Railways: the White Pass and Yukon Railroad over the US-Canada border (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Steam Train Britain (AD) (HD) **12 midnight** War Factories (S) (HD) **1.00–3.00am** Secrets of the Bible (S) (HD)

Yesterday +1 **Sky** 255 **Virgin** 200

Really 17

Freeview 17 **Freesat** 160 **Sky** 142 **Virgin** 128

6.00am Fantasy Homes by the Sea (HD) **7.00** Home Shopping **8.00** Sarah Beeny's Renovate Don't Relocate (HD) **7.00pm** Antiques Road Trip: double bill. Windermere in the Lake District to East Boldon, Tyne and Wear, then Paul Laidlaw and David Harper travel through Sunderland and Durham (HD) **9.00 *New.*** Portals to Hell: a Pennsylvania estate rumoured to be brimming with paranormal activity (HD) **10.00 *New.*** Help! My House Is Haunted: the team investigates demonic activity in the Midlands (HD) **11.00** Ghost Adventures (HD) **1.00am** Help! My House Is Haunted (HD) **2.00** Home Shopping **4.00–6.00am** Antiques Road Trip (HD)

Home 42

Freeview 42 **Freesat** 166 **Sky** 158 **Virgin** 279

7.00am Homes under the Hammer **6.00pm** Homes under the Hammer: six editions. Properties in Derby, Surrey and Lancashire **7.00** Lucy Alexander and Martin Roberts explore a house in Mid Glamorgan, a cottage in Yorkshire and a maisonette in Devon **8.00** Exploring properties in Greater Manchester, Essex and Stoke and finding out what they sold for at auction **9.00** Revisiting properties in Stoke, London and Wiltshire **10.00** Properties in Lancashire, Kent and London **11.00** A house in Wellington, Shropshire, a flat in Kent and an apartment in Heaton Norris, Greater Manchester **12 midnight–4.00am** Homes under the Hammer

Home +1 **Sky** 258 **Virgin** 283

Quest 12

F'view 12 **F'sat** 172 **Sky** 144 **Virgin** 169 **HD** **F'view** 114 **F'sat** 167

6.00am Texas Metal (HD) **7.00** EFL (HD) **9.00** Wheeler Dealers (AD) (HD) **1.00pm** Goblin Works Garage (HD) **7.00** Extreme Rides: engineering, passion and dreams collide to give birth to the world's most exciting vehicles – whether it's the world's fastest production car or a jet powered super truck (HD) **8.00** Salvage Hunters: Drew Pritchard examines some vintage gym equipment (HD) **9.00 *New.*** Goblin Works Garage: the gang goes bolder than ever before with design and restoration work (HD) **10.00** Texas Metal: a client wants his Ford Platinum made off-road ready (HD) **11.00** Two Weeks in Hell: the gruelling selection process of US Special Forces troops (HD) **1.00am** Chasing Classic Cars (HD) **2.00** Wheels That Fail (HD) **3.00** Destroyed in Seconds **4.00** American Loggers (AD) (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Overhaulin'

Quest +1 **F'view** 76 (7pm-4am) **F'sat** 168 **Sky** 244 **Virgin** 213

Challenge 46

Freeview 46 **Freesat** 146 **Sky** 151 **Virgin** 164

7.00am Wheel of Fortune **12 noon** Pointless Celebrities **6.00pm** The Chase Celebrity Special: triple bill. Eric Bristow, Sammy Winward, Nadine Dorries and Ed Byrne **7.00** Karen Barber, Dick Strawbridge, Catherine Tyldesley and Russell Kane **8.00** Arlene Phillips, Diarmuid Gavin, Helen Skelton and Micky Flanagan **9.00** The Chase **10.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire **12 midnight** Bullseye **4.30–6.00am** American Ninja Warrior

Challenge +1 **Freesat** 147 **Sky** 251 **Virgin** 230

BBC Parliament 232

Freeview 232 **Freesat** 201 **Sky** 504 **Virgin** 605

6.00am Highlights **7.00** Booktalk **7.15** Lectures **7.45** Welsh FMQs **8.45** BOOKtalk **9.00** Reflections **9.30** Highlights **10.30** BOOKtalk **10.45** Lectures **11.15** Highlights **12.15pm** BOOKtalk **12.30** Reflections **1.00** Highlights **1.30** Question Time **2.30** BOOKtalk **2.45** Properties **2.55** Lectures **3.25** Highlights **4.25** BOOKtalk **4.40** Reflections **5.10** Highlights **6.10pm** BOOKtalk **6.25** Lectures **6.55** Parliament **7.55** Prime Properties **8.05** Awards **8.30** Reflections **9.00** BOOKtalk **9.15** Scottish FMQs **10.00** Bercow Bows Out **10.30** Lectures **11.00–6.00am** Highlights

Puzzles Tackle our Christmas Prize Crossword and win a pair of **Bose headphones**! **P288**

THURSDAY Satellite & cable



The Rock *9.00pm* John and Stanley head to Alcatraz

Sky 1

Sky 106 **Virgin** 110 HD **Virgin** 109

6.00am Futurama (S) (HD) **7.00** Animal 999 (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** The Dog Whisperer (HD) **9.00** The Simpsons (S) (HD) **10.00** David Attenborough's Wild City (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** NCIS: Los Angeles (S) (HD) **1.00pm** Hawaii Five-0 (S) (HD) **3.00** Modern Family (S) (HD) **4.30** The Simpsons (S) (HD)

6.00pm Futurama Leela's relationship with Fry takes a turn for the worse. (S) (AD) (HD)

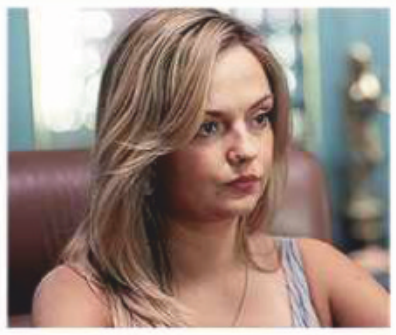
6.30 The Simpsons Lisa tries to save her school radio station. **7.00** Bart's guilt gets the better of him after he betrays Lisa. **7.30** A traumatic incident forces Bart and Lisa to return from camp. **8.00** Bart goes from delinquent to star basketball player. **8.30** Marge despairs over her son's terrible report card. (S) (HD)

9.00 The Rock ★★★★
Action thriller starring Sean Connery and Nicolas Cage. A disaffected war hero threatens to destroy San Francisco. (S) (W) (HD)

11.30 Queen: Live at Wembley A performance from 1986. (S)

12.50am Cricket's Funniest Moments (S) (HD) **1.50** NCIS: Los Angeles (S) (HD) **4.00** Modern Family (S) (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Snake Boss (S) (HD)

Sky 1 +1 **Sky** 206



The Deuce *10.00pm* Lori returns to work after rehab

Sky Atlantic

Sky 108

6.00am Urban Secrets (S) (HD) **7.00** Fish Town (S) (HD) **8.00** Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **10.00** The West Wing (S) (HD) **12 noon** Without a Trace (HD) **2.00pm** Blue Bloods (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** The West Wing (S) (HD) **5.00** Without a Trace (S) (HD)

7.00pm CSI: Crime Scene Investigation *1/23 Series 4* The team suspects two serial killers are on the loose. (HD)

8.00 Blue Bloods *4/22 Series 5* Danny is charged with using excessive force. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **Britannia** *9/10 Series 2* RT Divis is given one last chance to try and prove himself. **See page 229.** (HD)

10.00 ***New series.*** **The Deuce** RT *1/8 Series 3.* Drama starring James Franco. Vincent reconnects with his ex-wife, Andrea. **See page 229.** (HD)

11.10 The Sopranos *11/13 Series 1* Junior conspires with Livia. (S) (HD) **12.15am** *12/13.* Junior sends two hitmen to kill his nephew. (S) (HD)

1.15am Britannia (HD) **2.15** The Night Of (S) (AD) (HD) **3.25** Nurse Jackie (S) (HD) **4.00–6.00am** The West Wing: double bill (S) (HD)

Sky Atlantic +1 **Sky** 208



Madam Secretary *10.00pm* Elizabeth gets to the truth

Sky Witness

Sky 107 **Virgin** 112 HD **Virgin** 111

6.00am Nothing to Declare (S) **8.00** Sun, Sea and A&E (HD) **9.00** Firefighters (S) (HD) **11.00** Paramedics (HD) **2.00pm** Air Ambulance ER (S) (HD) **5.00** Children's Hospital (S) (AD)

6.00pm Nothing to Declare Following the work of customs officers in Australia. (S) (HD)

8.00 Criminal Minds *10/22 Series 13.* The BAU uncovers a world of secrets while looking into the attempted homicide of a police chief's wife. (S) (HD) **9.00** *23/24 Series 9.* The agents investigate a string of prostitute murders. Guest-stars Michael Trucco and Brett Cullen. (S) (HD)

10.00 ***New.*** **Madam Secretary** *5/10 Series 6.* Elizabeth must decide how far she is willing to go to uncover the truth when evidence implicates Daisy. (HD)

11.00 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit *2/24 Series 14* The squad tries to bring a murder case to a close as the detectives reach breaking point. (HD)

12 midnight CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **1.00am** The Truth about the Harry Quebert Affair: double bill (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00–6.00am** Nothing to Declare (S)

Sky Witness +1 **Sky** 207 **Virgin** 180



Chicago *9.00pm* Velma Kelly puts on a spectacular show

W

Sky 109 **Virgin** 125 **BT** 311 HD **Virgin** 211 **BT** 383

6.10am Doctor Who (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Dynamo: Magician Impossible (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** The Bill (S) (HD) **11.00** Inside the Ambulance (S) (HD)

6.00pm Inside the Ambulance Rachel and Mick are called to assist the police with a prisoner. **7.00** Sam and Carla blue-light to a man who's fallen badly at home and has a suspected spinal injury. **8.00** A man who has collapsed with severe breathlessness. (S) (HD)

9.00 Chicago ★★★★
Oscar-winning musical starring Catherine Zeta-Jones, Renée Zellweger and Richard Gere. In 1920s Chicago, chorus girl Roxie Hart shoots her lover and winds up in jail, believing her dreams of stardom are over. Enter hotshot lawyer Billy Flynn, whose clients include double murderess Velma Kelly, and Roxie begins to realise that there's no such thing as bad publicity. (W) (HD)

11.20 Gavin & Stacey Smithy worries about seeing Nessa again. **12 midnight** Pete and Dawn prepare to renew their vows. **12.35am** The gang descends on the beach. (S) (AD) (HD)

1.15 Amish: a Secret Life (S) (HD) **2.00–3.00am** Great Ormond Street: following surgeons (S) (HD)

W +1 **Sky** 209 **Virgin** 190



House of Fools *12.15am* Vic and Bob receive a letter

Gold

Sky 110 **Virgin** 124 **BT** 310

7.35am A Sharp Intake of Breath **8.00** The Story of Only Fools and Horses (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Only Fools and Horses (S) (AD)

6.40pm Only Fools and Horses Del grabs an opportunity to make a quick profit and bring Trotters Independent Traders into the hi-tech world of satellite communications. **7.50** An audition gives Raquel the chance of a lifetime – and perhaps more importantly, an excuse to get out of Nelson Mandela House. **9.00** Del becomes a showbiz entrepreneur after discovering a sensational Tom Jones-style singer – but it turns out the artist is not all he is cracked up to be. **10.05** Del is invited to a school reunion at the Nag's Head organised by old adversary Roy Slater, who has recently been released from prison. (S) (AD)

11.10 Live at the Apollo Stephen K Amos hosts a night of comedy at London's Hammersmith Apollo, with sets by Jon Richardson and Micky Flanagan. (S) (HD)

12.15am House of Fools: triple bill (S) (AD) (HD) **2.10** The League of Gentlemen (HD) **3.10–4.00am** Harry Hill's TV Burp

Gold +1 **Sky** 210 **Virgin** 194

Sky Arts

Sky 122 **Virgin** 123 HD **Virgin** 156

6.00am Cinderella (HD) **8.00** Discovering: Elton John (S) (HD) **9.00** Portrait Artist of the Year 2019 (S) (HD) **11.00** Too Young to Die (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00pm** The Seventies (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** Hollywood Couples (S) (HD) **5.00** Beach Boys: Good Vibrations Tour: the five original band members perform in Anaheim in 1976 (HD)

6.00pm Comedy Legends Barry Cryer pays tribute to the Marx Brothers. (S) (HD) **7.00** The life and career of writer and actor John Cleese. (S) (HD)

8.00 Discovering: Gene Wilder A profile of the American actor, writer and director, best known for his roles in *The Producers*, *Blazing Saddles*, *Young Frankenstein* and *Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory*. (S) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **I Am Richard Pryor** Reflecting on the highs and lows of the comedian and actor's life, featuring interviews with Mike Epps, Tiffany Haddish and his widow Jennifer Lee. (HD)

11.00 Comedy Legends Barry Cryer profiles Billy Connolly. (HD) **12 midnight** Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise, one of British TV's best-loved comedy duos. (HD)

1.00am John Wayne: America at All Costs (HD) **2.00** Robert Mitchum: Hollywood's Bad Boy (S) (HD) **3.00** Discovering: Steve McQueen (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Discovering: Paul Newman (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Classic Albums (HD)

Sky Crime

Sky 121 **Virgin** 136 HD **Virgin** 135

6.00am Motorway Patrol (S) (AD) **7.00** Brit Cops: Rapid Response (S) (AD) **8.00** Border Security: Canada's Front Line (S) **9.00** Stop, Search, Seize (S) (AD) **12 noon** Border Security: America's Front Line (S) (AD) **5.00pm** Snapped (S)

6.00pm Snapped A family man is killed and suspicion falls on a woman with a deadly plan. (S)

7.00 Banged Up Abroad: Crime and Punishment The soldier who was the body double of Saddam Hussein's son Uday. (S)

8.00 Murders That Shocked the Nation Just 15, Harold Jones was too young to hang for murder in 1921. Could he have become notorious 60s serial killer Jack the Stripper? (S) (AD)

9.00 ***New.*** **In Ice Cold Blood** A lack of evidence leads detectives to take drastic measures as they investigate a brutal triple murder in a wealthy family.

10.00 Britain's Most Evil Killers The case of Joanne Dennehy, who murdered three men. (S) **11.00** A profile of former aspiring model Tracie Andrews, who stabbed her fiancé 42 times in 1996. (S)

12 midnight Britain's Most Evil Killers (S) **1.00am** World's Most Evil Killers (S) **2.00** A Lie to Die For (S) **3.00** as 8pm **4.00** Snapped **5.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol (S) (AD)

Sky Crime +1 **Sky** 221 **Virgin** 207

Sky 2

Sky 168 **Virgin** 160

7.00am RSPCA Animal Rescue (S) (AD) **9.00** The Dog Whisperer **10.00** My Kitchen Rules: Australia (S) **12.30pm** Monkey Life (S) (AD) **1.00** American Ninja Warrior **3.00** Stargate SG-1: four episodes (S) **7.00pm** Road Wars (S) **9.00** A League of Their Own US Road Trip: Jamie, Jack and Andrew head to Las Vegas for three final challenges (S) (AD) **10.00** Bounty Hunters: double bill. Barnaby and Nina try to steal the statues back, then Barnaby and Leah fly to Mexico (S) (AD) **11.10** Ross Kemp: Extreme World (S) (AD) **12.05am** Madam Secretary **1.00** Highway Patrol: double bill (S) **2.00** Duck Quacks Don't Echo (S) (AD) **3.00** A League of Their Own (S) (AD) **4.00–6.00am** Monkey Life (S) (AD)

Universal TV

Sky 113 **Virgin** 122 **BT** 320 HD **Virgin** 121 **BT** 385

8.00am Numb3rs (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Sea Patrol (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** Private Eyes (S) (HD) **11.00** NCIS (S) (HD) **1.00pm** CSI: Miami (S) (HD) **3.00** Law & Order (S) (HD) **5.00** NCIS (S) (HD) **9.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit: four episodes. Benson and Stone try to reunite a rescued girl with her mother **10.00** The team unravels a revenge plot **11.00** The detectives investigate the murder of a member of a feminist group **12 midnight** A homeless woman is attacked (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00am** CSI: Miami (S) (HD) **2.00** Rescue: Code One (S) (HD) **3.00** Sea Patrol (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Numb3rs (S) (AD) (HD)

Universal TV +1 **Sky** 213 **Virgin** 206

Syfy

Sky 114 **Virgin** 138 **BT** 319 HD **Virgin** 137 **BT** 375

6.00am FILM Tomb Invader ★★ **8.00** Home Shopping **11.00 FILM** 100 Degrees below Zero ★ **1.00pm FILM** Tom's Midnight Garden ★★ **3.00 FILM** Simply Irresistible ★ **5.00 FILM** The Librarian: Return to King Solomon's Mines ★★ **7.00pm FILM** Highlander III: the Sorcerer ★ Action fantasy starring Christopher Lambert and Mario Van Peebles **9.00** Blood & Treasure **10.00 FILM** Ghosts of Mars ★★ Sci-fi action horror starring Ice Cube and Natasha Henstridge **12 midnight** Blood & Treasure **1.00am FILM** Twelve Monkeys ★★★★ Futuristic thriller **3.30** Future Man **4.10–6.00am FILM** 100 Degrees below Zero ★

Syfy +1 **Sky** 214 **Virgin** 229

TLC

Sky 133 **Virgin** 167 **BT** 323 HD **BT** 377

6.00am Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **8.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress: The Big Day Updated (HD) **12 noon** My 600lb Life: Where Are They Now? (HD) **8.00pm** Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **9.00** My 600lb Life: Where Are They Now? (HD) **10.00** ***New.*** Untold Stories of the ER: a power outage causes chaos in the hospital (HD) **11.00** Dr Pimple Popper (HD) **12 midnight** Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **1.00am** My 600lb Life: Where Are They Now? (HD) **2.00** Untold Stories of the ER (HD) **3.00** Dr Pimple Popper (HD) **4.00–6.00am** My 600lb Life: Where Are They Now? (HD)

TLC +1 **Sky** 233 **Virgin** 172

Comedy Central

Sky 112 **Virgin** 132 **BT** 307 HD **Virgin** 181 **BT** 370

8.00am Most Ridiculous: Dumbest Ever (S) (HD) **8.35** Most Ridiculous: Teen Disasters (S) (HD) **9.00** Impractical Jokers (S) (HD) **11.00** Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **4.30pm** Most Ridiculous: Weather (S) (HD) **5.00** Most Ridiculous: Pranks (S) (HD) **5.30** Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00 FILM** I Love You, Man ★★★ Comedy starring Paul Rudd and Jason Segel (HD) **11.00 FILM** Anger Management ★★★ Comedy, starring Jack Nicholson, Adam Sandler and Marisa Tomei **1.00am** South Park (S) (HD) **4.15** Most Ridiculous: Builders (S) (HD) **4.35–5.00am** Most Ridiculous: Fun and Games (S) (HD)

Comedy Central +1 **Sky** 212 **Virgin** 133

Lifetime

Sky 187 **Virgin** 208 **BT** 329 HD **BT** 384

7.00am Judge Judy (HD) **1.00pm** Pawn Stars (HD) **2.00** Judge Judy (HD) **5.00** Pawn Stars (HD) **6.00** Judge Judy (HD) **9.00** Hoarders: Ray's hoard could cause him to lose his San Francisco home (HD) **10.00** Storage Wars: double bill. Darrell faces the auction without Brandon to back him up, then the buyers hit the Palm Springs desert hoping for some hot profits (HD) **11.00** Hardcore Pawn: double bill. Seth and Ashley continue to bicker, then Les remains in hospital following his collapse (HD) **12 midnight** Pawn Stars: Rick heads to Los Angeles (HD) **1.00am** Hoarders (HD) **2.00** Storage Wars (HD) **3.00–4.00am** Hardcore Pawn (HD)

ALL PROGRAMMES ON THE ABOVE CHANNELS ARE REPEATS UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

Key (S) Subtitles (SL) Signing (AD) Audio description (HD) High definition (W) Widescreen



Bite Club *9.00pm* The police hunt down a serial killer

Alibi

Sky 132 **Virgin** 126 **BT** 312 **HD** **Virgin** 212 **BT** 382

7.10am Murdoch Mysteries (S) (HD) **9.00** The Coroner (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** Father Brown (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Unforgettable (S) (HD) **1.00pm** The Coroner (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00** The Doctor Blake Mysteries (S) (HD) **4.00** Murdoch Mysteries (S) (HD)

6.00pm Murdoch Mysteries *14/18 Series 12.* A man dies in a deliberately set fire. (S) (HD)

7.00 Unforgettable *5/13 Series 3* Carrie and Al try to find the link between missing explosives and the death of a coastguard. (S) (HD) **8.00** *6/13 Series 3.* Carrie investigates when Al is suspected of the murder of someone he once helped to put away. (S) (HD)

9.00 Bite Club *1/8.* Three years after surviving a horrific shark attack, detectives Zoe and Dan are reunited to solve the murder of a woman who went missing years earlier. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 Death in Paradise *2/8 Series 4.* DI Goodman investigates a surf instructor's murder. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.20 Harrow *5/10 Series 2* Harrow's protege Simon is found dead by the river, leaving everyone in a state of shock. (S) (HD)

12.20am Motive: triple bill (S) (HD) **3.10–4.00am** Bite Club (S) (HD)

Alibi +1 **Sky** 232 **Virgin** 191

Discovery History

Sky 171 **Virgin** 257

6.00am Aircrash Unsolved: the Mystery of Helios 522 **7.00** Mysteries of the Missing **8.00** Concorde: Anatomy of a Disaster (AD) **9.00** Titanic: the Aftermath **11.00** International Sub Rescue: Special Investigation **12 noon** Salvaging the Kursk **1.00pm** Fukushima: on the Frontline with Joel Lambert **2.00** Chernobyl's Deadly Secrets **3.00** Mysteries of the Missing **4.00** Aircrash Unsolved: the Mystery of Helios 522 **5.00** Concorde: Anatomy of a Disaster (AD)

6.00pm International Sub Rescue: Special Investigation A Russian navy submarine that was trapped in the Pacific.

7.00 Salvaging the Kursk The recovery of the submarine.

8.00 Fukushima: on the Frontline with Joel Lambert Former navy SEAL Joel Lambert assesses the situation at the Daichi Nuclear Power Plant.

9.00 Chernobyl's Deadly Secrets The causes and effects of the events at the Chernobyl site.

10.00 Mysteries of the Missing Plausible explanations for 2014's MH370 Malaysia Airlines disaster.

11.00 Aircrash Unsolved: the Mystery of Helios 522

12 midnight Concorde: Anatomy of a Disaster (AD) **1.00am** Titanic: the Aftermath **3.00** as 7pm **4.00** as 8pm **5.00–6.00am** as 9pm

Discovery History +1 **Sky** 271 **Virgin** 261



The Fix *9.00pm* Maya takes part in a lie detector test

Fox

Sky 124 **Virgin** 157 **HD** **Virgin** 199

8.00am Bull (HD) **9.00** Bones (HD) **10.00** Bull (HD) **11.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** Bones (HD) **2.00pm** The Mentalist (HD) **3.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Bull (HD) **5.00** Bones (HD)

6.00pm The Mentalist *6/22 Series 5.* A security guard is found murdered in a wealthy neighbourhood. (HD)

7.00 NCIS *18/24 Series 13* A traumatised serviceman needs to relive the events of a brutal ambush in Iraq. (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** *19/24.* A navy officer's tangled love life is exposed after he is murdered. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **The Fix** *5/10.* The district attorney's office makes everyone take a lie detector test in an effort to find the mole feeding information to Ezra Wolf.

10.00 NCIS *11/24 Series 15* Torres and Bishop pose as criminals to help dismantle a drug-running operation. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.00 American Dad! *Series 15* Steve and Roger restart their career as an acting duo. (HD) **11.30** Steve runs away to an all-girl boarding school. (HD)

12 midnight Family Guy **1.00am** American Dad! (HD) **2.00** Family Guy **4.00–5.00am** Bull (HD)

Fox +1 **Sky** 224 **Virgin** 158

History

Sky 130 **Virgin** 270 **BT** 327 **HD** **BT** 379

6.00am American Pickers (HD) **8.00** Ultimate Mysteries (HD) **9.00** Counting Cars (HD) **1.00pm** Moon Landing: the Lost Tapes (HD) **2.00** The Moon Landing and the Nazis (HD) **3.00** Pawn Stars (HD) **7.00** Forged in Fire: the team tries to turn a snowmobile's blades into a kukri knife (HD) **8.00** MysteryQuest: experts look into the apparent suicide of Adolf Hitler (HD) **9.00** ***New.*** Curse of Oak Top 25: Rick and Marty Lagina's and their crew look back at the most memorable and defining moments in their Oak Island treasure hunt (HD) **11.00** Forged In Fire Armed Forces Tournament (HD) **12 midnight** How They Built Concorde (HD) **1.00am** Concorde: from Triumph To Tragedy (HD) **2.00** MysteryQuest (HD) **3.00–6.00am** Counting Cars (HD)

History +1 **Sky** 230 **Virgin** 271

Animal Planet

Sky 162 **Virgin** 251 **BT** 325 **HD** **BT** 378

6.00am Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **8.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (S) (HD) **10.00** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **11.00** Animal Cops Philadelphia (S) (HD) **1.00pm** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **3.00** My Cat from Hell (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Alaska: the Last Frontier (S) (HD) **5.00** Swimming with Monsters with Steve Backshall (S) (HD) **6.00** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **7.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (AD) **8.00** Nature's Strangest Mysteries: Solved (HD) **9.00** Alaska: the Last Frontier (S) (HD) **10.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (S) (HD) **1.00am** Animal Cops Houston (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00** Crikey! It's the Irwins (HD) **3.00** Alaska: the Last Frontier (S) (HD) **3.50** Air Jaws 2 (S) **4.40** Orangutan Island (S) (HD) **5.10–6.00am** Tanked: Unfiltered (S) (HD)

Animal Planet +1 **Sky** 262 **Virgin** 259



Unexplained and Unexplored *9.00pm* Emiliano and Justin

Discovery

Sky 125 **Virgin** 250 **BT** 322 **HD** **BT** 376

6.00am Combat Dealers (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Ed Stafford: First Man Out (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** Building Off the Grid (S) (HD) **9.00** Mighty Ships (S) (HD) **10.00** Nasa's Unexplained Files (S) (HD) **11.00** Fast 'n' Loud Revved Up (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** Gold Rush (S) (HD) **1.00pm** Alaskan Bush People (S) (HD) **2.00** UFOs: the Lost Evidence (S) (HD) **3.00** Yukon Men (S) (HD) **4.00** Building Off the Grid (S) (HD) **5.00** Diesel Brothers (S) (HD)

6.00pm Fast 'n' Loud (S) (HD)

7.00 Supertruckers (S) (HD)

8.00 Combat Dealers The murky secrets of Second World War spies. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 ***New.*** **Unexplained and Unexplored** Explorers Justin Fornal and Emiliano Ruprah search for the Ark of the Covenant. (HD)

10.00 ***New series.*** **Expedition Bigfoot** A team of specialists searches for the fabled beast in the forest of Oregon. (HD)

11.00 Alaska: the Last Frontier Atz Lee and Jane teach the next generation of Kilchers to fish. (HD)

12 midnight as 9pm **1.00am** Expedition Bigfoot (HD) **2.00** Street Outlaws: Memphis (HD) **3.00** as 9pm **3.50** Kindig Customs (S) (HD) **5.30–6.00am** How It's Made (S) (HD)

Discovery +1 **Sky** 225 **Virgin** 258

Nat Geographic

Sky 129 **Virgin** 266 **BT** 317 **HD** **Virgin** 268 **BT** 373

8.00am Superstructures: Engineering Marvels (HD) **9.00** Supercar Megabuild (HD) **10.00** Strippers: Cars for Cash (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Air Crash Investigation (HD) **1.00pm** Nazi Megastructures (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00** WW2: Hell under the Sea (HD) **3.00** Draining the Bermuda Triangle (HD) **4.00** Car SOS (HD) **6.00** Air Crash Investigation (HD) **8.00** ***New.*** Wicked Tuna: North v South: the quota is extended yet again (HD) **9.00** Supercar Megabuild: double bill. Transforming an Aston Martin, then Jodie Kidd wants a family saloon capable of reaching 200mph (HD) **11.00** Air Crash Investigation (HD) **12 midnight** Banged Up Abroad (HD) **2.00am** America's Hardest Prisons (HD) **3.00** Ice Road Rescue (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Wicked Tuna (HD)

Nat Geo +1 **Sky** 229 **Virgin** 267

Eden

Sky 166 **Virgin** 245 **BT** 315 **HD** **Virgin** 247 **BT** 389

9.00am Mexico: Earth's Festival of Life (HD) **12 noon** Madagascar (AD) (HD) **3.00pm** Mexico: Earth's Festival of Life (HD) **6.00** Madagascar: triple bill. David Attenborough narrates the story of the island's wildlife **7.00** The wildlife of the island's eastern mountains **8.00** The wildlife in the west and south of the island (AD) (HD) **9.00** Mexico: Earth's Festival of Life: triple bill. Exploring the country's wildlife, landscape and culture **10.00** The forests of the Yucatan, home to ruins of the Mayan civilisation **11.00** The deserts of Mexico's northern region, home to animals like prairie dogs and pygmy owls (HD) **12 midnight** Madagascar (AD) (HD) **3.00am** Mexico: Earth's Festival of Life (HD) **5.30–6.00am** Jungle Planet (HD)

Eden +1 **Sky** 266 **Virgin** 246



Mea Maxima Culpa: Silence in the House of God *9.00pm*

PBS America 91

F'view 91 (1-11pm only) **F'sat** 155 **Sky** 174 **Virgin** 273

8.00am Reconstruction: America After the Civil War **1.00pm** Jazz

4.55pm Jazz The creation of a new, mellow sound called cool jazz, which spread from California. **6.15** A period of transition in the 1950s as the spotlight fell on rock 'n' roll, with Elvis Presley, Duke Ellington and Miles Davis making waves on the music scene. **7.40** A reflection on the decreasing popularity of jazz in the 1960s, as more and more people started listening to rock music.

9.00 Mea Maxima Culpa: Silence in the House of God ★★★

Documentary by Alex Gibney that tackles the conspiracy of silence, apparently presided over by the Vatican, in regard to numerous allegations of sexual abuse made against Catholic priests. English, Italian +subtitles.

11.00 Stonewall Uprising Documentary exploring the gay rights movement that emerged in New York in the late 1960s, following protests at a police raid on the Stonewall Inn in the Greenwich Village area.

12.50–2.00am Addiction: following the work of scientists exploring how drug dependency affects the brain

PBS +1 **Freeview** 93 (HD only)

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F'view (HD only) 99 **F'sat** 175 **Sky** 195 **Virgin** 276

6.00am Mystic Britain (HD) **12 noon** Battle of Okinawa in Colour (HD) **1.00pm** Battle of Midway: the True Story (HD) **2.00** Mystic Britain (HD) **3.00** Angkor: Land of the Gods (HD) **5.00** Hunt for the Double Eagle: the most valuable and most infamous coin in the world (HD) **6.00** Aerial Britain: bird's-eye views of southern England, including London and Framlingham Castle (HD) **7.00** Inside the Factory: double bill. Gregg Wallace and the team investigates pasta, then the team investigates the production of biscuits **9.00** Air Warriors (HD) **10.00** Ultimate Warships: double bill. An appraisal of the US carrier, then air support is provided to American combat troops fighting Isis in Iraq (HD) **12 midnight** Air Warriors (HD) **1.00am** Ultimate Warships (HD) **3.00** Air Warriors (HD) **4.00–6.00am** Ultimate Warships (HD)

Sony Crime

Freesat 143 **Sky** 179 **Virgin** 193

6.00am Speeders **7.00** Bait Car: San Francisco **8.30** Bait Car **9.00** Speeders **11.00** Bait Car: San Francisco **12.30pm** Bait Car **1.00** Speeders **6.00** Speeders: six editions. A woman claims wearing a seatbelt is optional when police stop her for the offence **6.30** A punk rocker is stopped in Los Angeles for having her music too loud **7.00** A teen driver in Rutland City is stopped by his own mother **7.30** A female biker is not sorry when she is pulled over for speeding **8.00** As 6pm **8.30** As 6.30pm **9.00** Bait Car: San Francisco: series revealing how the police catch car thieves in the act **10.30** Bait Car **11.00** Speeders **12 midnight** Bait Car: New Orleans **1.00am** Speeders **3.00** Bait Car **4.00** Speeders **5.00–6.00am** Bait Car: New Orleans

CHILDREN'S

Milkshake! on C5

Full listings for Channel 5 are on p232

6.00am Peppa Pig **6.20** Ben and Holly **6.35** Fireman Sam: Norman seeks Pontypandy Pete's lost treasure **6.55** Thomas & Friends: the steam trains must work overtime to unload cargo from the docks **7.20** Peppa Pig: double bill **7.45** Paw Patrol: the Turbots fall into a cave deep inside a volcano **8.05** Floogals: Captain Fleeker, Flo and Boomer find a damaged bird's nest **8.20** Becca's Bunch **8.40** Little Princess **8.55** Shimmer and Shine **9.05–9.15am** Peppa Pig

CBeebies 202

Freeview 202 **Freesat** 608 **Sky** 614 **Virgin** 702

6.00am Something Special: We're All Friends **6.20** Baby Jake **6.35** Twirlywoos **6.45** Raa Raa the Noisy Lion **6.55** Numberblocks **7.05** Bing: double bill **7.20** Hey Duggee: double bill **7.35** Bitz & Bob **7.45** Peter Rabbit **8.00** Go Jetters **8.10** Octonauts **8.20** Biggleton **8.35** Justin's House **9.00** CBeebies Elves and the Shoemaker: Mr Bloom and the Tiddlers try to solve a magical mystery, as someone is helping the village shoemaker make dancing shoes **9.45** Something Special: We're All Friends **10.10** Teletubbies **10.25** The Baby Club **10.35** Hey Duggee **10.45** Mister Maker's Arty Party **11.05** Pablo **11.15** Ferne and Rory's Vet Tales **11.30** School of Roars **11.40** My First **11.50** Tinga Tinga Tales **12 noon** My World Kitchen **12.15pm** Old Jack's Boat: Rockpool Tales; Small Potatoes **12.30** Katie Morag **12.45** Melody **1.00** Biggleton **1.10** Timmy Time **1.15** Yakka Dee! **1.20** Numberblocks **1.25** Bing **1.35** Twirlywoos **1.45** Something Special: We're All Friends **2.10** Teletubbies **2.20** The Baby Club **2.35** Pablo **2.50** Our Family **3.00** Andy's Prehistoric Adventures **3.15** Swashbuckle **3.40** Hey Duggee **3.45** Tinpo **3.55** Messy Goes to OKIDO; My Petsaurus **4.10** My First **4.20** Grace's Amazing Machines **4.35** Peter Rabbit **4.50** Go Jetters **5.00** Bitz & Bob **5.20** Octonauts Special: the Great Penguin Race **5.45** Moon and Me **6.10** Clangers **6.20** In the Night Garden… **6.50–7.00pm** CBeebies Bedtime Stories

CBBC 201

Freeview 201 **Freesat** 607 **Sky** 613 **Virgin** 701

7.00am Arthur **7.15** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **7.25** Danger Mouse **7.35** OOglies **7.50** Diddy TV **8.10** Class Dismissed **8.25** Billionaire Boy **9.25** Donkey's Caroling Christmas-tacular **9.35** Odd Squad **9.50** Top Class **10.20** A Week to Beat the World **10.50** Got What It Takes? **1.15pm** Got What It Takes? Story So Far **1.45** Nikki Lilly Meets **1.50** Secret Life of Boys **2.15** All Over the Place: UK **2.45** Class Dismissed **3.15** The Deep **3.35** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **3.45** Scream Street **4.00** Show Me What You're Made Of: UK **4.30** My Life: The Penguin Post Office **5.00** Dumping Ground Island: Part One **5.30** RT **CHOICE** ***New.*** Blue Peter: Last Year's Best Bits **See p229** **6.00** Dragons: Race to the Edge **6.25** Billionaire Boy **7.25** Blue Peter: Last Year's Best Bits! **7.55** FOMO Festive Replay **8.10** Book of Dragons **8.30–9.00pm** The Dumping Ground

CITV 203

Freeview 203 **Freesat** 602 **Sky** 621 **Virgin** 734

6.00am Dino Dana **6.25** Super 4 **6.55** Dare Master **7.00** The Powerpuff Girls **7.25** Teen Titans Go! **7.55** Hotel Transylvania **8.20** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **8.55** Mr Magoo **9.55** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **10.55** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **11.55** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **12.25pm** Dare Master **12.30** Mr Magoo **1.30** Hotel Transylvania **2.30** Kung Fu Panda: The Paws of Destiny **3.00** Mr Magoo **4.00** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **5.00** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **5.30** ***New.*** Pokémon **6.20** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **7.10** Mr Magoo **7.30** Hotel Transylvania **8.00** Spy School **8.55–9.00pm** Dare Master: Danny's in Blackpool but is he brave enough to walk to the top of the UK's tallest rollercoaster?

THURSDAY Films & Sport

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Cash on demand

The Gift: the Journey of Johnny Cash
★★★★ *YouTube* FREE TO VIEW

This YouTube Originals film is available for free on the video channel. Thom Zimny's documentary follows a more intimate path than previous portraits of Johnny Cash, highlighting his personal demons and struggles. A wealth of archive footage is accompanied by recordings of Cash's own voice, plus contributions from family members and musicians including Bruce Springsteen. It adds up to a vivid look at an artist who, even at his most famous, had an affinity with his blue-collar fans and the downtrodden or marginalised. **TERRY STAUNTON**



Family choices

P What They Had ★★★★ *10.15pm* ***Sky Premiere***

For a film about siblings facing up to the infirmity of their parents, this isn't all sadness and misery. As mum of two Ruth (Blythe Danner) struggles with dementia, her husband (the late Robert Forster), son (Michael Shannon) and daughter (Hilary Swank) discuss treatment options. But there are funny moments, too, and the family can't help but laugh when Ruth mistakenly drinks holy water or uses a stapler as a phone. Although heartbreaking in places, this drama is as authentic as it is witty. **STEPHEN CARTY**

A fine and fabulous mess

Stan & Ollie ★★★★★
Amazon Prime



This affectionate drama charts how Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy (brought to life by a note-perfect Steve Coogan and John C Reilly) embarked on a dowdy theatre tour of Britain in the 1950s in an attempt to restore their dwindling fame. For hopeless hankerers after a simpler past, this is an absolute delight. **ANDREW COLLINS**

FREEVIEW

Film4 14

F'view 14 **F'sat** 300 **Sky** 313 **Virgin** 428 HD **Virgin** 429

11.00am Small Soldiers ★★★ Slick fantasy action adventure. Kirsten Dunst (1998, PG) (S)
1.15pm Endless Love ★★ Watchable remake of Franco Zeffirelli's 1981 tale of obsessive teenage love. Alex Pettyfer (2014, 12) (S)
3.30 Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events ★★★ Fantasy comedy adventure based on the first three titles in the bestselling 11-book series. Jim Carrey (2004, PG) (S)
5.45pm Transformers: Age of Extinction ★★★ Mark Wahlberg teams up with Optimus Prime to save the world in this technically dazzling action sequel. Jack Reynor, Nicola Peltz, Stanley Tucci (2014, 12) (AD)
9.00 Kingsman: the Secret Service ★★★★ Affectionate nod to 1960s spy capers with suave Colin Firth. Samuel L Jackson, Taron Egerton, Jack Davenport (2015, 15) (S) (AD)
11.40pm Zoolander 2 ★★ Ben Stiller makes a belated return as the fashion-icon dunce in this muddled comedy sequel. Ben Stiller, Owen Wilson, Penélope Cruz (2016, 12) (S) (AD)
1.45–3.55am Entertainment ★★★★ Comedy drama. Gregg Turkington (2015, 15) (S)

Film4 +1 **F'view** 45 **F'sat** 301 **Sky** 314 **Virgin** 430

Sony Movies 32

Freeview 32 **Freesat** 302 **Sky** 321 **Virgin** 425

9.10am I Spy ★★ Spy action comedy. Eddie Murphy (2002, 12) **11.05 Short Circuit 2** ★★ Fantasy comedy. Fisher Stevens (1988, PG) **1.20pm Fly Away Home** ★★★★ Biopic. Jeff Daniels (1996, U) **3.35 Seven Years in Tibet** ★★★ Biographical drama. Brad Pitt, David Thewlis (1997, PG)
6.20pm P Queen of the Desert ★★ Biopic of Gertrude Bell. **Review, p94.** (2015, PG)
9.00 P The Glass Castle ★★★ Sentimental drama with an unconventional story. **Review, p94.** Brie Larson, Woody Harrelson (2017, 12)
11.40 The Benefactor ★★ Unusual tale about a philanthropist. Richard Gere (2015, 15)
1.40am First Kill ★★ Crime thriller. Bruce Willis (2017, 15) **3.55–5.50am My Spy** ★ Action comedy. Antonio Banderas, Meg Ryan, Colin Hanks (2008, 12)

Sony Movies +1 **F'view** 60 (*limited* 10pm-5am) **Sky** 322

Sony Action 40

F'view 40 *(limited)* **F'sat** 305 **Sky** 323 **Virgin** 426

6.00am A Bullet for Sandoval ★★ Western. Ernest Borgnine (1970) **7.50** Prelude to War **9.00** German Military Vehicles **10.10** United **12.15pm** M*A*S*H **1.15 Ambush at Tomahawk Gap** ★★ Western adventure. John Hodiak (1953) **2.55 Cornered** ★★★ Crime drama. Dick Powell, Walter Slezak (1945) **5.00 Five for Hell** ★★ Second World War adventure. John Garko (1969)
6.55pm The Hot Potato ★★★ Slick and enjoyably madcap caper. Ray Winstone (2011, PG)
9.00 Bullet ★★ Action drama. Danny Trejo (2014, 15)
10.50 Wake of Death ★★ Jean-Claude Van Damme action adventure. (2004, 18)
12.35am Submerged ★★ Action thriller. Jonathan Bennett (2016, 15) **2.35–4.00am Criminal Intent** ★★ Crime thriller. Sebastian Spence (2005)

Sony Action +1 **Sky** 324

Talking Pictures TV 81

Freeview 81 **Freesat** 306 **Sky** 328 **Virgin** 445

6.00am Naked Fury ★ Drama. (1959, PG) (S)
7.15 Don't Bother to Knock ★★ Comedy. (1961, PG) **9.25 Mr Winkle Goes to War** ★ Drama. Edward G Robinson (1944) **11.00** June Allyson **11.30 My Brother's Keeper** ★★ Drama. Jack Warner (1948) **1.15pm** High Journey **2.00** Rooms **2.30 Corridor of Mirrors** ★★★★ Mystery. Eric Portman (1948, PG) (S) **4.30 All over the Town** ★★★ Comedy. Norman Wooland (1949, U)
6.15pm The Edgar Wallace Mystery Theatre TV mystery crime stories.
7.15 Ring of Spies ★★★ Nail-biting British thriller. Bernard Lee, William Sylvester (1963, PG) (S)
9.00 The Human Jungle TV drama.
10.00 Ten Little Indians ★★★ Agatha Christie whodunnit. Oliver Reed (1974, PG)
12 midnight Gumshoe ★★★★ Comedy. Albert Finney (1971, 12) (S) **1.40am Passport to Pimlico** ★★★★ Comedy. Stanley Holloway (1949, U) (S) **3.25 The Green Man** ★★★★ Comedy. Alastair Sim (1956, PG) **5.00–5.35am** Dick Tracy

Premiere

Sky 301 **Virgin** 401 **BT** 501

6.00am As 1.40pm **7.30** As 3.10pm **9.20 The Kid Who Would Be King** ★★★ Fantasy. **Choice, p176.** (2018, PG) **11.25** As 8pm **1.40pm Wonder Park** ★★ Animated adventure. Brianna Denski (2019, PG) **3.10 The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part** ★★★★ Animated adventure. **Choice, p138.** (2019, U)

5.00pm Avengers: Endgame ★★★★ End-of-an-era action epic. **Choice, p166.** Robert Downey Jr, Chris Hemsworth, Mark Ruffalo, Chris Evans (2019, 12)
8.00 Shazam! ★★★★ Laugh-packed superhero yarn. **Choice, p226.** Zachary Levi, Mark Strong, Asher Angel, Djimon Hounsou (2019, 12)
10.15 P What They Had ★★★★ Moving drama about a woman fading into old age. **Choice, left.** Hilary Swank, Michael Shannon, Blythe Danner (2018, 15)

12 midnight Greta ★★★ Thriller. **Choice, p206.** (2018, 15) **1.45am The Aftermath** ★★★ Romantic drama. **Choice, p216.** (2019, 15) **3.40** As 10.15pm **5.30** Anon Special

Premiere +1 **Sky** 312 **Virgin** 412

Hits

Sky 303 **Virgin** 403 **BT** 503

7.00am Alpha ★★★ Thriller. Kodi Smit-McPhee (2017, 12) **8.50 Darkest Hour** ★★★★ Drama. Gary Oldman (2017, PG) **11.05 Goosebumps 2: Haunted Halloween** ★★ Comedy. (2018, PG) **12.40pm Ready Player One** ★★★ Thriller. Tye Sheridan (2018, 12) **3.05 The Grinch** ★★★ Animation. (2018, U)

4.35pm Wonder Park ★★ A young girl takes refuge in a magical amusement park. Brianna Denski, Jennifer Garner (2019, PG)
6.10 Life of the Party ★★ Melissa McCarthy comedy. (2018, 12)
8.00 Rampage ★★ Sci-fi adventure based on the arcade game. Dwayne Johnson, Naomie Harris (2018, 12)
10.00 Skyscraper ★★★ Dwayne Johnson tries to save his family from a towering inferno. (2018, 12)

11.50pm The Front Runner ★★★★ An examination of media intrusion. Hugh Jackman (2018, 15) **1.50am Lady Bird** ★★★★★ Comedy. Saoirse Ronan (2017, 15) **3.30 Godzilla** ★★ Monster horror. Matthew Broderick (1997, PG)

Action

Sky 307 **Virgin** 407 **BT** 507

7.30am Turbo: a Power Rangers Adventure ★ Sci-fi adventure. Nakia Burrise, Jason David Frank, Catherine Sutherland (1997, PG) **9.15** As 8pm **11.30** As 5.45pm **1.45pm The Predator** As 10.15pm **3.45 Edge of Tomorrow** ★★★ Clever, witty, gung-ho sci-fi blockbuster. Tom Cruise, Emily Blunt (2014, 12)

5.45pm The Kid Who Would Be King ★★★ A bullied London schoolboy embarks on an Arthurian adventure. **Choice, p176.** Louis Ashbourne Serkis, Rebecca Ferguson (2018, PG)
8.00 Mortal Engines ★★★ Visually stunning steampunk riff on *Star Wars*. Hugo Weaving (2018, 12)
10.15 The Predator ★★★ The alien hunter returns to Earth in search of human DNA in this energetic reboot. Boyd Holbrook (2018, 15)

12.15am Edge of Tomorrow As 3.45pm **2.15 Starship Troopers** ★★★★ Earth-versus-alien-bugs saga. Casper Van Dien, Denise Richards (1997, 18) **4.35 Turbo: a Power Rangers Adventure** As 7.30am

Superheroes

Sky 302 **Virgin** 402 **BT** 502

6.00am JLA Adventures: Trapped in Time **7.00** As 6pm **9.30** As 8.30pm **11.45 Superman III** As 10.45pm **2.00pm Superman IV: the Quest for Peace** ★★ Fantasy. Christopher Reeve (1987, PG) **3.45 Shazam!** ★★★★ Fantasy action adventure. **Choice, p226.** Zachary Levi (2019, 12)

6.00pm Superman ★★★★★ This epic-scale version of the Man of Steel legend makes for fabulous entertainment. Christopher Reeve (1978, PG)
8.30 Superman II ★★★★ Three super-powered baddies from Krypton arrive on Earth. Christopher Reeve, Gene Hackman (1980, PG)
10.45 Superman III ★★★ Christopher Reeve has fun playing Superman gone bad. Richard Pryor, Robert Vaughn (1983, PG)

1.00am Superman IV: the Quest for Peace As 2pm **2.45 Superman Returns** ★★★★ Brandon Routh dons the famous cape. Kevin Spacey, Kate Bosworth (2006, 12) **5.30** Batman Unlimited: Animal Instincts

Drama

Sky 304 **Virgin** 410 **BT** 510

6.40am As 2.30pm **8.30** As 11.55pm **10.20 First Reformed** ★★★★ Drama. Ethan Hawke (2017, 15) **12.15pm Sorry Angel** ★★★ Romance. Vincent Lacoste (2018, 15) **2.30 Becks** ★★★ Musical. Mena Suvari, Lena Hall (2017, 15) **4.10 Step Up** ★★ Romance. Channing Tatum (2006, PG)

6.05pm Hands of Stone ★★★ Boxing biopic about Roberto Durán. Robert De Niro, Edgar Ramirez (2016, 15)
8.00 The Aftermath ★★★ Keira Knightley works through wartime trauma. **Choice, p216.** Alexander Skarsgård, Jason Clarke (2019, 15)
10.00 Closer ★★★ Elegant relationship drama about the intertwining love lives of two couples. Julia Roberts, Jude Law, Natalie Portman, Clive Owen (2004, 15)

11.55pm The Exception ★★ A hybrid of romance, spy drama and fanciful political fable. Lily James, Christopher Plummer, Jai Courtney (2016, 15) **1.50am First Reformed** As 10.20am **3.55 Step Up** As 4.10pm

Musicals

Sky 308 **Virgin** 404 **BT** 504

6.00am The Sword in the Stone ★★★ Adventure. Rickie Sorensen (1963, U) **7.30 The Jungle Book** ★★★★★ Adventure. Phil Harris (1967, U) **8.55 Aladdin** ★★★★★ Adventure. Scott Weinger (1992, U) **10.30 Hello, Dolly!** ★★★★ Musical. Barbra Streisand (1969, U) **1.00pm** As 9pm **3.00** As 10.50pm

5.00pm Grease ★★★★ Nostalgic treat with toe-tapping numbers and slick performances. John Travolta, Olivia Newton-John (1978, PG)
7.00 Grease 2 ★★ Sequel starring a then little-known Michelle Pfeiffer. (1982, PG)
9.00 The Greatest Showman ★★★★ All-singing, all-dancing look at the colourful life of circus inventor PT Barnum. Hugh Jackman, Zac Efron, Michelle Williams, Rebecca Ferguson (2017, PG)

10.50pm The School of Rock ★★★★ An out-of-work guitarist passes himself off as a supply teacher. Jack Black, Joan Cusack (2003, PG) **12.50am** As 10.30am **3.20** As 6am **4.50** As 8.55am

Key (S) Subtitles (SL) Signing (AD) Audio description

Disney

Sky 305 Virgin 405 BT 505

6.55am Lilo & Stitch ★★★★ Sci-fi comedy. Daveigh Chase (2002, U) **8.25** As 2.50pm **10.15** As 4.40pm **11.50 Dumbo** ★★★★★ Animation. Edward Brophy (1941, U) **1.05pm** As 8pm **2.50 101 Dalmatians** ★★★ Adventure. Glenn Close (1996, U) **4.40 Mulan** ★★★★ Musical. Ming-Na (1998, U)

6.15pm A Bug's Life ★★★★ A misfit troupe of bugs helps an ant colony fight off an evil band of grasshoppers. Dave Foley (1998, U)

8.00 The Princess and the Frog ★★★ Fun, hand-drawn animated fantasy transplanting the classic fairy tale to 1920s New Orleans. Anika Noni Rose (2009, U)

9.45 John Carter ★★★ A US Civil War veteran is transported to Mars. Taylor Kitsch (2012, 12)

12 midnight Old Dogs ★★ Comedy. (2009, PG) **1.40am The Hunchback of Notre Dame** ★★★★ Musical. (1996, U) **3.20 The Hunchback of Notre Dame II** ★★ (2002, U) **4.40 Pete's Dragon** ★★ (1977, U)

Thriller

Sky 309 Virgin 409 BT 509

6.30am Steel Country ★★★ Thriller. Andrew Scott (2018, 15) **8.15 The Negotiator** ★★★★ Thriller. Jon Hamm (2018, 15) **10.15** As 9pm **12.55pm Miss Bala** ★★ Drama. Gina Rodriguez (2019, 15) **2.50 Gran Torino** ★★★ Drama. Clint Eastwood (2008, 15) **5.00 Greta** ★★★ Thriller. **Choice, p206.** (2018, 15)

6.50pm The Girl in the Spider's Web ★★★ Claire Foy stars as the punk vigilante who takes on a sinister crime network. Sverrir Gudnason, Sylvia Hoeks (2018, 15)

9.00 Zero Dark Thirty ★★★★ Wordy but well-paced thriller about the hunt for Osama Bin Laden. Jessica Chastain, Jason Clarke (2012, 15)

11.40 Serenity ★★ Fisherman Matthew McConaughey is drawn into a revenge plot. Anne Hathaway (2018, 15)

1.30am Blood Diamond ★★★ Action thriller. Leonardo DiCaprio (2006, 15) **3.55 The Standoff at Sparrow Creek** ★★★ Thriller. James Badge Dale (2018, 15) **5.30 Angel Flight Down** ★★ Drama. Patricia Kalember (1996)

Sci-Fi/Horror

Sky 311 Virgin 411 BT 511

6.00am The Adjustment Bureau ★★★ Sci-fi drama. Matt Damon (2010, 12) **8.00 The Little Stranger** ★★★ Enigmatic mystery. Domhnall Gleeson, Ruth Wilson (2018, 12) **10.00 2001: a Space Odyssey** As 6.30pm **12.30pm Van Helsing** As 9pm **2.45 Happy Death Day 2U** As 11.15pm

4.30pm Blade Runner ★★★★★ A world-weary ex-cop goes in search of four lethal androids. Harrison Ford, Rutger Hauer, Sean Young (1982/2007, 15)

6.30 2001: a Space Odyssey ★★★★★ Stanley Kubrick's stunning sci-fi epic depicting the evolution of mankind. Keir Dullea, Gary Lockwood, William Sylvester (1968, U)

9.00 Van Helsing ★★★ Exciting action fantasy horror. Hugh Jackman, Kate Beckinsale (2004, 12)

11.15pm Happy Death Day 2U ★★ A college girl gets caught in a killer time loop. Jessica Rothe (2019, 15) **1.00am The Little Stranger** As 8am **3.00 Blade Runner** As 4.30pm **5.00** Sky Cinema Preview

Harry Potter

Sky 306 Virgin 406 BT 506

8.00am The Prisoner of Azkaban ★★★★ Adventure. (2004, PG) **10.25 The Goblet of Fire** ★★★★ Harry faces Voldemort. (2005, 12) **1.05pm The Order of the Phoenix** ★★★★ Dumbledore is threatened. (2007, 12) **3.25 The Half-Blood Prince** ★★★★ Evil forces get stronger. (2009, 12)

6.00pm The Deathly Hallows: Part 1 ★★★ Harry, Ron and Hermione are on the run. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2010, 12)

8.30 The Deathly Hallows: Part 2 ★★★★★ Harry and Voldemort clash for the last time. Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson, Rupert Grint (2011, 12)

10.45 Fantastic Beasts: the Crimes of Grindelwald ★★★★ Newt Scamander heads to Paris. Eddie Redmayne, Katherine Waterston (2018, 12)

1.00am The Philosopher's Stone ★★★★ Harry is whisked off to Hogwarts. Daniel Radcliffe (2001, PG) **3.35 The Chamber of Secrets** ★★★★ Dobby brings Harry a warning. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2002, PG)

Comedy

Sky 310 Virgin 408 BT 508

7.10am Class Rank ★★★ Comedy. Skyler Gisondo (2017, 12) **9.00** As 8pm **11.05 Shallow Hal** ★★★ Romance. Jack Black (2001, 12) **1.10pm Lost in London** ★★★★ Drama. Woody Harrelson, Owen Wilson (2017, 12) **3.10 As Good as It Gets** ★★★★ Romantic drama. Jack Nicholson, Helen Hunt (1997, 15)

5.35pm Jerry Maguire ★★★★ A sports agent produces a mission statement that costs him his job. Tom Cruise, Cuba Gooding Jr, Renee Zellweger (1996, 15)

8.00 Crazy, Stupid, Love ★★★★ Bar-room lothario Ryan Gosling offers to help dumped Steve Carell rediscover his manhood. Julianne Moore, Emma Stone (2011, 12)

10.00 Holmes and Watson ★ Will Ferrell and John C Reilly are the famous detective duo. (2018, 12)

11.40pm A Bad Idea Gone Wrong ★★ Two would-be thieves befriend a housesitter. Matt Jones, Will Rogers (2017, 15) **1.10am** As 3.10pm **3.30** As 11.05am **5.30 Summer Rental** ★★ Comedy. John Candy (1985, PG)

TCM Movies

Sky 315 Virgin 415 BT 512 HD Virgin 416

6.00am Hollywood's Best Film Directors **7.35 Guns for San Sebastian** ★★ (1968, PG) **9.55 The Pink Panther Strikes Again** ★★★ (1976, PG) **12.05pm Oklahoma Territory** ★★★ (1959, U) **1.30 Destry Rides Again** ★★★★★ (1939, PG) **3.30 The Hired Gun** ★★ Western. (1957, U)

4.50pm Three Godfathers ★★★ Enjoyable western. John Wayne (1948, U)

7.05 Gun Fever ★★ Low-budget western. Mark Stevens (1958)

9.00 Dirty Harry ★★★★★ A ruthless cop pursues a psychopath in this outstanding crime thriller. Clint Eastwood (1971, 18)

11.10 Magnum Force ★★★ Clint Eastwood is on fine form as the no-nonsense cop in this all-guns-blazing *Dirty Harry sequel*. (1973, 18)

1.45am Full Metal Jacket ★★★★★ Harrowing Vietnam War drama. Matthew Modine, Adam Baldwin (1987, 18) **4.00** Hollywood's Best Directors

TCM Movies +1 Sky 316 Virgin 417

SPORT



Golf *11.00pm* ***Sky Golf/Main Event*** Xander Schauffele is the defending champion in Hawaii

Sky Main Event

Sky 401 Virgin 511 BT 402 HD Virgin 501 BT 437

6.00am Good Morning Sports Fans **10.00** Match Centre **12 noon** Sky Sports News **7.00pm** Sky Sports Tonight **7.30 LIVE Championship Football** Derby County v Barnsley. The Championship match from Pride Park (kick-off **7.45**). **10.15** Sky Sports News at Ten **11.00 LIVE PGA Tour Golf** The Sentry Tournament of Champions. Day one of the competition at Kapalua in Hawaii. **3.00–6.00am** Sky Sports News

Sky Football

Sky 403 Virgin 513 HD Virgin 503

6.00am Greatest Games **7.00** Greatest Players (AD) **8.00** Countdowns (AD) **9.00** Football Years (AD) **10.00** Classic League Cup Finals **11.00** One2Eleven – Joe Cole (AD) **11.15** One2Eleven – Stuart Pearce (AD) **11.30** Greatest Players (AD) **12 noon** Greatest Games **12.30pm** SPFL Greatest Games **1.00** Countdowns (AD) **2.00** Football Years (AD) **2.30** Championship Highlights **4.30** League One and Two Goals **5.00** Championship Highlights **7.00** League One and Two Goals **7.30 LIVE Championship Football** Derby County v Barnsley. The Championship match from Pride Park (kick-off **7.45**). **10.15** Championship Season Review **11.15** One2Eleven – Danny Gabbidon (AD) **11.30** Greatest Players **12 midnight** Football Years (AD) **1.00am** Countdowns (AD) **2.00** SPFL Greatest Games **2.30** One2Eleven – Danny Gabbidon (AD) **2.45** One2Eleven – Andy Townsend (AD) **3.00** Classic League Cup Finals **4.00** Greatest Games **4.30** Countdowns (AD) **5.00** Greatest Players **5.30–6.00am** Football Years (AD)

Sky Golf

Sky 405 Virgin 515 HD Virgin 505

6.00am PGA Tour Golf **10.00** Perfection in Paris (AD) **12 noon** PGA Tour Golf: Tournament of Champions **4.00pm** Junior Golf **5.00** PGA Tour Golf **6.00** Junior Golf **7.00** Inside the PGA Tour **7.30** Golfer of the Decade **9.30** Inside the PGA Tour **10.00** PGA Tour Golf **11.00 LIVE PGA Tour Golf** The Sentry Tournament of Champions. Day one of the competition restricted to winners on the 2019 tour **3.00–6.00am** Chronicles of a Champion Golfer (AD)

Sky Mix

Sky 145 Virgin 520 HD Virgin 510

1.30–4.00am LIVE NBA Dallas Mavericks v Brooklyn Nets. An inter-conference clash at American Airlines Center (tip-off **1.30**).

Sky Premier League

Sky 402 Virgin 512 HD Virgin 502

6.00am Greatest Games (AD) **7.00** Premier League Legends (AD) **8.00** Best Goals **9.00** 100 Club (AD) **10.00** Premier League Years (AD) **12 noon** Best Goals (AD) **1.00pm** Premier League Years (AD) **3.00** Best Goals 97/98 (AD) **4.00** Greatest Games **5.00** Premier League World **5.30** Match Pack **6.00** Legends (AD) **7.00** Premier League World **7.30** Mo Salah's Golden Boot 2017/18: the Egyptian's record-breaking season for Liverpool **8.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox: the presenter talks to a former Premier League player **9.00** Premier League World **9.30** Match Pack **10.00** The Tyler Archives **11.00** Best Goals **12 midnight** Greatest Games **1.00am** Premier League Years (AD) **3.00** Greatest Games (AD) **4.00** Best Goals 06/07 **5.00** Best Goals **5.30–6.00am** 100 Club (AD)

Sky Cricket

Sky 404 Virgin 514 HD Virgin 504

6.00am Best of Sky Cricket (AD) **6.10** Best of England v Sri Lanka **6.25** Best of England v Australia (AD) **6.50** Best of Sky Cricket (AD) **7.00** The Inside Track – 2005 Ashes (AD) **9.30** How the 2010 World T20 Was Won **11.30** KP: Story of a Genius: a profile of Kevin Pietersen **1.30pm** The Inside Track – 2005 Ashes: a behind-the-scenes look (AD) **4.00** How the 2010 World T20 Was Won **6.00** KP: Story of a Genius **8.00** Test Cricket: South Africa v England **10.00** KP: Story of a Genius **12 midnight** How the 2010 World T20 Was Won **1.55am** Best of Sky Cricket (AD) **2.05** The Inside Track – 2005 Ashes (AD) **4.35** Best of England v Australia (AD) **5.00** Best of Sky Cricket (AD) **5.10** Best of England v Sri Lanka **5.25** Best of England v Australia (AD) **5.50–6.00am** Best of Sky Cricket (AD)

Sky Action

Sky 407 Virgin 517 HD Virgin 507

6.00am Boxing Gold **7.00** Triathlon **7.30** Triathlon **8.00** Women's NBA **9.30** Fast Zone **10.00** Inside the Huddle **11.00** NFL: America's Game (AD) **12 noon** NFL **2.00pm** Inside the Huddle **3.00** Watersports **4.00** Sports Unlimited **5.00** Hooked on Africa **5.30** I'm Game **5.45** NBA **8.00** NFL **10.00** Rugby Union **11.00** NBA **1.30am LIVE NBA** Dallas Mavericks v Brooklyn Nets. Coverage of the inter-conference clash at American Airlines Centre (tip-off **1.30**). **4.00** Sporting Records **5.00–6.00am** Sporting Greats (AD)

Sky Darts

Sky 408 Virgin 518 HD Virgin 508

6.00am Darts Gold **7.15** Legends of Darts (AD) **8.00** Darts Gold **11.00** Darts Top Five Moments **11.40** Darts Gold **12.30pm** World Darts **3.30** Darts Gold **3.45** World Darts **6.45** Darts Gold: memorable matches **8.00** World Darts: action from the final of the BDO World Championships at Alexandra Palace in London **11.00** Darts Gold **12 midnight** World Darts **3.00am** Darts Gold **3.40** Darts Top Five Moments **4.00–6.00am** Darts Gold (AD)

Eurosport 1

Sky 410 Virgin 521 BT 412 HD BT 435

6.00am Mountain Bikes **7.00** Ski Jumping **8.00** Alpine Skiing **12 noon** Ski Jumping **1.00pm** Cross-Country Skiing **3.00** Biathlon **4.00** Alpine Skiing **5.00** Cyclo-Cross **6.00** Darts **7.00** Ski Jumping **8.00** Alpine Skiing: World Cup highlights from Bormio, Italy **10.00** Ski Jumping **11.00** Darts: the BDO World Championships **12 midnight** Swimming **1.00am** Triathlon **1.40** Snooker 147s **2.00–6.00am** Alpine Skiing

BT Sport 1

Sky 413 Virgin 527 BT 408 HD BT 430

8.00am LIVE T20 Cricket Melbourne Renegades v Sydney Sixers, the Big Bash match from Marvel Stadium in Melbourne. **11.15** Rugby Tonight on Tour (AD) **11.45** Classic Football (AD) **12 noon** Premier League Football **6.00pm** Premier League Review **7.00 LIVE Premier League Football** Liverpool v Sheffield United. The top-flight match from Anfield (kick-off **8.00**). **10.15** Premier League Football Tonight **11.00** FA Cup Football **11.30** Premier League World **12 midnight LIVE American Football** NCAA action. **3.30am** Australian Women's Football **4.30** FA Cup Football **5.00** Rugby Tonight on Tour (AD) **5.30–6.00am** German Football

BT Sport 2

Sky 414 Virgin 528 BT 409 HD BT 431

6.00am Italian Football **7.30** Premier League Review **8.30 LIVE Australian Women's Football** Brisbane Roar Women v Melbourne City Women. The W-League match from Dolphin Stadium (kick-off **8.30**). **10.30** Premier League Review **11.30** What I Wore: Robbie Fowler **11.45** Australian Football **1.15pm** Rugby Union **2.00** Fishing (AD) **3.00** T20 Cricket: the Big Bash League **5.00** Classic Boxing (AD) **7.15** T20 Cricket **9.15** Test Cricket: Australia v New Zealand **11.15–7.15am LIVE Test Cricket** Australia v New Zealand. The first day of the third and final Test, from the Sydney Cricket Ground.

BT Sport 3

Sky 417 Virgin 529 BT 410 HD BT 432

6.00am French Football – Games of the Season So Far **4.00pm** Italian Football **5.30** German Football **6.00** BT Sport Goals Reload **6.30** German Football **7.00** Australian Women's Football **8.00 LIVE American Football** Coverage of an NCAA fixture. **11.30** Rugby Tonight on Tour (AD) **12 midnight** BT Sport Goals Reload **12.30am** T20 Cricket **2.30** FA Cup Football **3.00–6.00am** MLB: World Series

BT Sport ESPN

Sky 423 Virgin 530 BT 411 HD BT 434

6.00am ESPN FC **6.30** X Games: Real Ski **7.30** World of X Games **8.30** World of X Games **9.30** American Football **12.30pm** ESPN FC **1.00** American Football: NCAA action **11.00 LIVE American Football** Coverage of an NCAA encounter. **2.00–6.00am LIVE Basketball** Colorado Buffaloes v Oregon Ducks. The NCAA clash at CU Events Center in Boulder (tip-off **2.00**); **4.00** Stanford Cardinal v California Golden Bears. The NCAA basketball clash at Maples Pavilion in Stanford, California (tip-off **4.00**).

Eurosport 2

Sky 411 Virgin 522 BT 413 HD BT 436

6.00am Cross-Country Skiing **7.00** Snowboarding **8.00** Freestyle Skiing **9.00** Ski Jumping **10.00** Snooker **12 noon** Alpine Skiing **1.00pm** Climbing **4.00** Snooker **6.00** British Superbikes **8.00** Snooker **10.00** Motorcycling **11.00** Hall of Fame – Rio 2016 **12 midnight** Snooker **2.00am** Ski Jumping **3.00** Snowboarding **4.00** Freestyle Skiing **5.00–6.00am** Ski Jumping

FRIDAY Choices

The pick of today's TV



EVIL OBSESSION
Horror fan Mark Gatiss traces Bram Stoker's inspiration and *Dracula's* Hammer heyday

PICK OF THE DAY In Search of Dracula with Mark Gatiss

10.35pm ***BBC2***

ARTS As the final episode of Mark Gatiss and Steven Moffat's version of *Dracula* devours BBC1 (9pm), Gatiss presents an entertaining documentary about the origins of the Count and examines why he's become such an unmistakeable figure in popular culture.

There are some thrilling moments – Gatiss is given permission to look at Bram Stoker's notes and workings for his novel, now kept at a Philadelphia museum, including a goose-bumpy page where Stoker is clearly trying out the name "Dracula" for size, complete with crossings-out.

And Gatiss meets seven of Dracula's "brides", including Joanna Lumley, from the richly gory Hammer Horror days, who are united in their fond memories of Christopher Lee. He also visits Whitby Abbey, which plays a huge part in the book and was at the centre of an excellent 1977 BBC version with Louis Jourdan as the Count. Bringing us up to date, Claes Bang, who plays the latest Dracula, discusses the role. **ALISON GRAHAM** *See p52*

Only Connect

8.00pm ***BBC2*** *(Wales: 9pm)*

QUIZ Are top quizzers nice people? That theory seems sound as series 12 victors the Verbivores happily tussle with the Escapologists, overlords of series 13.

The Escapologists' captain overruling a team-mate and messing the answer up, only for him to come to the rescue and not mind at all? Charming. One panellist's story about a song his mum used to sing him? So adorable, Victoria Coren Mitchell exclaims, "I love you!" They're good at answering the questions, too, many of which are fiendish. **JACK SEALE**

Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast

8.00pm ***C4***

FOOD Usually the celebrity guests in Jamie Oliver and Jimmy Doherty's pier-end café don't know their way around a kitchen, so there's plenty of scope for taking the mickey and all sorts of culinary disasters.

It's a bit of a surprise, then, when the door opens and Mary Berry walks in. Instead of teaching her how to cook her favourite dish (a certain expression about grandmothers sucking eggs springs to mind), they re-create a seafood feast inspired by her memories of family holidays in the West Country. And Jimmy can't resist trying to impress her with a gooey mozzarella and pesto tear-and-share bread. **JANE RACKHAM**

The Goes Wrong Show

8.30pm ***BBC1***

COMEDY "Welcome back to play of the week," purrs oily "die-rec-torr" Chris Bean. This is the next in his run of ill-fated productions in which members of the Cornley Drama Society are upstaged by their own stage.

The premise this time is a poorly researched Second World War thriller (set in 1961) about a spy at a code-breaking station. It's the same joke as always: the fabric of the play starts to fray – a rogue prop here, a forgotten line there – and then unravels entirely. But the shambles is slickly done, with a commitment to silliness that's heroic. For lovers of plays what Ernie Wise wrote or *Noises Off*, there's plenty to enjoy. **DAVID BUTCHER**

Top of the Pops: the Story of 1989

8.30pm ***BBC4***

MUSIC Pop controversies flew like confetti in 1989. There were burning crosses in Madonna's video for *Like a Prayer*. Jive Bunny lowered the tone. And record-buyers asked the perfectly legitimate question "Who's the singer?" over dancefloor fodder from Black Box and Milli Vanilli.

Techno was still peaking, with *Pump Up the Jam* (or Pwomp Op the Jeeyam as it's known in our house) thudding through the clubs, and there were glittery comebacks for Donna Summer and Dusty Springfield.

Marc Almond and Sharleen Spiteri are among those aiming one last kick up the 80s. Madchester mouthpiece Shaun Ryder remembers what he's able to. **MARK BRAXTON**

Children's Choices

Bedtime Stories
6.50pm ***CBeebies***

An excitingly celebrity-packed week of readers ends with Helen George – *Call the Midwife*'s Trixie – settling down for *I Am the Boss of This Chair* by Carolyn Crimi. When a new kitten arrives, the family cat needs to learn to share. Can he see that life is more fun that way?

The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie
11.00am ***Film4***

SpongeBob, Patrick Star, Mr Krabs and Gary the Snail transfer painlessly from their Nickelodeon origins – the TV show reached its 13th series this year – in this first, defiantly 2D film from 2004. While the second film ventured into animated/live-action territory, this one sticks to its cartoon guns, with the expansion of the Krusty Krab restaurant causing Plankton to plot sabotage and SpongeBob rescuing Neptune's crown. Splendid fun.



Earth's Tropical Islands
9.00pm ***BBC2*** *(Wales: Sat 4 Jan)*

NATURE There are eight main islands and more than 100 islets in Hawaii, each older than the next, as a tectonic plate slowly moves past a volcanic hotspot, creating new land from rock exploding from the bottom of the ocean. They're all incredibly varied, from bare volcanic land to lush forest to low sandbar, and the wildlife that lives there is pretty unusual, too.

This final episode of the series has dozens of male humpback whales jostling to get access to a single female in a great game of kiss-chase, somersaulting manta rays and a sporting contest between the islands of Molokai and Oahu that puts the Boat Race to shame... **GILL CRAWFORD**

QI
10.00pm ***BBC2***

QUIZ After a heady festive period we could probably all do with a bit of quiet, which makes this episode – where silence truly is golden – the perfect watch as you recover.

Joining Sandi Toksvig to tiptoe through the trivia are Jimmy Carr, Sara Pascoe (returning from last week's Christmas special), Andrew Maxwell and (of course) Alan Davies – though their hushed tones don't last long before they get down to the usual raucous quizzing and bizarre answers.

Case in point: just how long is long enough to create an awkward silence? And what's the one sound that nobody can ignore? **HUW FULLERTON**

Graham Norton's Good Showbusiness Guide
11.00pm ***BBC1***

ENTERTAINMENT When celebs come on to any chat show, their aim, obviously, is to talk about their latest film/book/album. And generally they're very entertaining. However, the best moments can be when a guest does something unexpected – as you can see in this compilation.

Remember Tom Cruise getting the studio audience involved in an action sequence? Chris Pratt demonstrating his magic skills (more like a shaggy dog story) on a confused Will.i.am? Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson re-enacting a classic pose? Or, my favourite, Margot Robbie tattooing the big toe of one of the production team while an incredulous Harrison Ford looked on? **JR**



TRAVELLING IN STYLE
Susan Calman learns to drive a steam wagon at the Grampian Transport Museum

Secret Scotland with Susan Calman
8.00pm ***Channel 5***

TRAVEL Susan Calman returns for another series of enthusiastic touring around her homeland. Last time round, "secret" wasn't the first word that came to mind as she looked around tourist hotspots such as Edinburgh Castle and Loch Ness, but that's not really the point. This is simply a glorious advert for Scotland's natural and historical heritage, and there's nothing wrong with that.

In this opening episode she's buzzing about the Cairngorms. First stop is Balmoral, where she tries out the Gay Gordons with a man who once danced with Princess Anne. Nearby at Braemar she gets to toss a hammer with a giant whose own hammer is about the same size as she is. But not all her visits are so exalted; she cackles with glee while driving a 1914 steam wagon and discovers her inner plasterer at Craigievar Castle. **GC**

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The best of streaming and catch-up



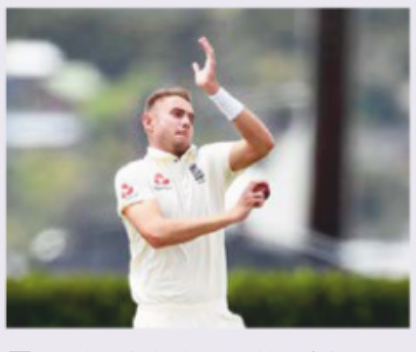
James May: Our Man in Japan
Amazon Prime

The relatively safe, genteel member of the *Grand Tour* trio heads east for his own travel series, to a country he describes as "an etiquette minefield". Expect plenty of faux pas, then, but with the urbane humility you get from May when he's out on his own, finding quirks and points of interest wherever he roams.

Anne with an E
Netflix

The third and final series of a dramatisation, overseen by former *Breaking Bad* writer Moira Walley-Beckett, that both respects and expands upon *Anne of Green Gables*. Amybeth McNulty is perfect in the lead role. **JS**

BEST LIVE SPORT



■ **Test Cricket: South Africa v England, second Test, day one** *7.30am* ***Sky Cricket/Main Event***
Stuart Broad leads the attack.

■ **Premiership Rugby Union: Sale Sharks v Harlequins** *7pm (kick-off 7.45pm)* ***BT Sport 1***

■ **PGA Tour Golf: Tournament of Champions, day two** *11pm* ***Sky Golf/Main Event***

■ **NBA: Houston v Philadelphia** *1am (tip-off 1am)* ***Sky Action***

FILM OF THE DAY

Attack the Block
12 midnight ***C4***

Aliens invade south London in this sci-fi comedy starring Nick Frost, Jodie Whittaker and John Boyega. **See page 95**

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FRIDAY Main Channels

DAYTIME

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast Charlie Stayt, Sally Nugent. (S) (HD)
9.15 Animal Park The team observe as rare Amur tiger Yana goes into labour. (R) (S) (HD)
10.00 Homes under the Hammer In Cheshire, the West Midlands and Greater Manchester. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
11.00 Wanted Down Under A husband and wife embark on a trial week in Perth, Australia. (S) (HD)
11.45 The Customer Is Always Right Featuring a backpack with a twist and a rotating wrist torch. (R) (S) (HD)
12.15pm Bargain Hunt From Herefordshire. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
1.00 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)
1.45 Escape to the Country A couple seek a home in the countryside on a budget of £550,000. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
2.45 Money for Nothing Sarah Moore salvages a wooden tea trolley from a tip in Surrey. (R) (S) (HD)
3.30–4.30 Garden Rescue A couple who want privacy in their front garden. (Revised repeat) (S) (HD)

BBC2

6.15am Wanted Down Under In New Zealand.
Shown yesterday 11am BBC1 (S) (HD)
7.00 This Farming Life Lynn and Sandra welcome more sheep and a new batch of hens. (R) (S) (HD)
8.00–9.00 Sign Zone MasterChef: the Professionals Six more chefs seek a place in the quarter-finals. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
9.00 BBC News (S) (HD)
10.00 BBC Newsroom Live (S) (HD)
11.20 Rio Conchos ★★ Western starring Richard Boone and Stuart Whitman. When 2,000 rifles are stolen from a US command post, Captain Haven is dispatched to track them down.
Director Gordon Douglas (1964) (S) (W) (HD)
1.05pm 60s Icons: Talking Pictures Revisiting interviews with the decade's brightest stars. (R) (S)
1.50 South Pacific ★★★ Film version of the Broadway musical featuring the songs of Rodgers and Hammerstein. On a South Sea island during the Second World War, a young US Navy nurse becomes involved with a widowed Frenchman.
Director Joshua Logan (1958, U) (S) (W)
4.15–5.15 Snow Chick: a Penguin's Tale The first months in the life of an emperor penguin. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

ITV

6.00am Good Morning Britain Olly Murs marks ten years since graduating from *The X Factor*. (S) (HD)
8.30 Lorraine Entertainment news. (S) (HD)
9.25 Judge Rinder Courtroom kerfuffles. (R) (S) (HD)
10.30 This Morning Lifestyle features, competitions and celebrity chat. Including **Regional Weather** (S) (HD)
12.30pm Loose Women Forthright opinions. (S) (HD)
1.30 ITV Lunchtime News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)
2.00 Celebrity Catchphrase With Nadia Sawalha, Amanda Abbington and Hugh Dennis. (R) (S) (HD)
3.00–4.00 Tenable Five teachers and firefighters compete. (R) (S) (HD) Followed by **Regional Weather**

Channel 4

6.05am Cheers Triple bill of the US sitcom. (R) (S) (HD)
7.25 The King of Queens Two episodes. (R) (S) (AD)
8.15 Everybody Loves Raymond Double bill. (R) (S) (AD)
9.10 Frasier Two episodes of the US sitcom. (R) (S) (AD)
10.10 The Simpsons Animated double bill. (R) (S) (AD)
11.05 Undercover Boss USA Travis Boersma, the president of a drive-through coffee-shop chain, takes part. (R) (S) (HD) **12.05pm News** (S) (HD)
12.10 The Jewel of the Nile ★★★★ Action adventure sequel to *Romancing the Stone*, starring Michael Douglas, Kathleen Turner and Danny DeVito. Bored novelist Joan Wilder travels to the Middle East to become a sheik's official biographer, only to end up being held hostage by him.
Director Lewis Teague (1985, PG) (S) (W) (HD)
2.10 Countdown Tim Vine guests. (S) (HD)
3.00 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away Retired couple Elizabeth and Phillip choose between homes near Ipswich Marina and Perpignan, France. (R) (S) (HD)
4.00–5.00 A New Life in the Sun: Where Are They Now? Revisiting two restaurant owners in France as they face up to a storm. (R) (S) (HD)

BBC1



The Goes Wrong Show *8.30pm* Keep chaotic and carry on: Cornley Drama Society goes to war

4.30pm The Repair Shop
Heirlooms include a Royal Doulton plaque. (R) (S) (HD)

5.15 Pointless
Quiz hosted by Alexander Armstrong. (S) (HD)

6.00 BBC News Weather (S) (HD)

6.30 Regional news magazines (S)

7.00 Celebrity Mastermind
Ranj Singh, Jessica Wright, Alan Johnson and Katy Brand brave the famous black chair. (S) (HD
NOTE: Episode may change depending on football coverage on Saturday 21 December

7.30 A Question of Sport: 50 Not Out
Sue Barker hosts a special episode of the quiz show, with guests Laura Davies, Martin Offiah, Beth Tweddle and Ally McCoist. (S) (HD)

8.00 EastEnders
The fallout from Christmas Day continues.

Bernadette Taylor	**Clair Norris**	Tommy Moon	**Shay Crott**
Denise Fox	**Diane Parish**	Ricky Mitchell	**Frankie Day**
Chantelle Atkins	**Jessica Plummer**	Bailey Baker	**Kara-Leah Fernandes**
Tiffany Butcher-Baker	**Maisie Smith**	Lily Fowler	**Aine Garvey**
Karen Taylor	**Lorraine Stanley**	Janet Mitchell	**Grace**
Kathy Beale	**Gillian Taylforth**	Chatham Taylor	**Alfie Jacobs**
Patrick Trueman	**Rudolph Walker**	Riley Taylor	**Tom Jacobs**
Kat Moon	**Jessie Wallace**	Dennis Rickman	**Bleu Landau**
Keanu Taylor	**Danny Walters**	Mackenzie Atkins	**Isaac Lemonius**
Leo King	**Tom Wells**	Will Mitchell	**Freddie Phillips**
Max Branning	**Jake Wood**	Mia Atkins	**Mahalia Malcolm**
Ian Beale	**Adam Woodyatt**	Dotty Cotton	**Milly Zero**
Jean Slater	**Gillian Wright**	Sheree Trueman	**Suzette Llewellyn**
Lexi Pearce	**Isabella Brown**	Ruby Allen	**Louisa Lytton**
Amy Mitchell	**Abbie Burke**	Jack Branning	**Scott Maslen**

Writer Richard Davidson More cast page 170 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.30 The Goes Wrong Show
RT *2/6.* **The Pilot (Not the Pilot).** The group put on a Second World War drama, but chaos ensues when the pilot's "lost" leg starts misbehaving and Adolf Hitler won't get off the stage. **See p238.**

Robert/Adolf Hitler	**Henry Lewis**	Sandra/Cpl. Valerie Sky	**Charlie Russell**
Dennis/ETM	**Jonathan Sayer**	Jonathan/Winston Churchill	**Greg Tannahill**
Chris/Lt Rufus Heal	**Henry Shields**	Annie/Wing Cdr Wycombe	**Nancy Zamit**
Vanessa/Camille Leclaire	**Bryony Corrigan**	German pilot/Body double	**Jack Heasman**
Max/Lionel Moncrieffe	**Dave Hearn**	Raymond Bean	**Malcolm Raeburn**
Trevor	**Chris Leask**		

Writers Henry Shields, Jonathan Sayer and Henry Lewis
Producer Jim Poyser; Director Martin Dennis (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Dracula
RT *3/3.* **The Dark Compass.** Beautiful Lucy Westernra has a host of young men in thrall to her, but then a new suitor comes on the scene. The Count has made his way to London… **See page 238.**
Director Paul McGuigan For cast see p230 (S) (AD) (HD)
In Search of Dracula with Mark Gatiss is at 10.35pm BBC2

10.35 BBC News Regional News; Weather (S) (HD)
Followed by **National Lottery Update** (S)

11.00 Graham Norton's Good Showbusiness Guide
RT Graham shares moments when his guests have done much more than chat. **See page 239.**
Producer Claire Butchard; Executive producer Graham Stuart (S) (HD)

11.50 Fleabag
6/6 Series 2. On the day of the wedding, the Priest upstages the bride. The whole series is on iPlayer.

Fleabag	**Phoebe Waller-Bridge**	Martin	**Brett Gelman**
The Priest	**Andrew Scott**	Jake	**Angus Imrie**
Claire	**Sian Clifford**	Harry	**Hugh Skinner**
Godmother	**Olivia Colman**	Elaine	**Kae Alexander**
Dad	**Bill Paterson**		

Writer Phoebe Waller-Bridge; Director Harry Bradbeer
Producer Sarah Hammond (R) (S) (AD) (HD)

12.20am Miranda: My Such Fun Celebration The cast reunite. **See choice, p218.** Shown New Year's Day 5.45pm (S) (AD) (HD)
1.30 Weather (S) (HD) **1.35–6.00am BBC News** (S) (HD)

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HD **Freeview** 101 **Freesat** 106 **Sky** 115 **Virgin** 108

BBC2



Only Connect *8.00pm* Victoria Coren Mitchell invites previous champions to return to the fray

5.15pm Flog It!
Members of the public try to make money out of their antiques by taking a risk at auction. (S) (HD)

6.00 Celebrity Antiques Road Trip
Benidorm stars Sherrie Hewson and Tony Maudsley seek fortune in Leicestershire and Nottinghamshire. Providing guidance are dealer Roo Irvine and auctioneer Tim Medhurst. They'll finish at auction in North Hykeham, but first music-lover Tony joins a merry band of toy soldiers in Melton Mowbray.
Series producer John Redshaw; Exec producer Jim Regan (R) (S) (HD)

7.00 Snow Cats and Me
2/2. Gordon Buchanan and Dr Victor Lukarevsky keep a close eye on Koshka the lynx's family as they try to prove their ability to hunt and survive before they can be released back to the wild.
Shown Monday 30 December 9pm (S) (HD)

BBC RED BUTTON 7.00–9.00 Rugby Union Coverage of Ebbw Vale v Merthyr in the Welsh Premiership (kick-off **7.05**)

8.00 Only Connect
RT Victoria Coren Mitchell hosts a match between the winners of series 12 and 13, with the Verbivores taking on the Escapologists. **See page 238.** (S) (HD)

8.30 Christmas University Challenge
10/10. Jeremy Paxman asks the questions as two teams each made up of four distinguished graduates compete for the crown. (S) (HD)

9.00 Earth's Tropical Islands
RT *3/3.* **Hawaii.** A look across Hawaii's varied islands, discovering how they evolved and how its wildlife thrives. The most remote island chain on Earth, its tropical shores are hard to reach, but for the creatures that have made it there, a land of opportunity awaits. **See p239.** (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 QI
RT Sandi Toksvig calls for a bit of "Quiet", with Andrew Maxwell, Sara Pascoe and Jimmy Carr joining regular panellist Alan Davies. **See p239.** (S) (HD)

10.35 In Search of Dracula with Mark Gatiss
RT Mark Gatiss, co-writer of the new *Dracula* series on BBC1, studies the handwritten notes of original creator, Bram Stoker, examining the creative process behind this world-famous story and pondering its lasting appeal. **See page 238.**
Director Nathan Landeg; Producers Jo Pearce, Sue Vertue (S) (AD) (HD)

11.35 What We Do in the Shadows ★★★★
Horror comedy. Viago is a centuries-old vampire who shares a flat with three fellow bloodsuckers in present-day Wellington. The quartet struggle to fit into a modern world of paying rent and staying fashionable, until young Nick is turned into a vampire and decides to help them adjust. **Review page 95.**

Vladislav	**Jemaine Clement**	Petyr	**Ben Fransham**
Viago	**Taika Waititi**	Anton, werewolf	**Rhys Darby**
Deacon	**Jonathan Brugh**	Jackie	**Jackie van Beek**
Nick	**Cori Gonzalez-Macuer**	Pauline, "The Beast"	**Elena Stejko**
Stu	**Stuart Rutherford**	Julian	**Jason Hoyte**

Directors Jemaine Clement, Taika Waititi (2014, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

12.55am True Story ★★★ Crime drama based on a true story, starring James Franco, Jonah Hill and Felicity Jones. After being sacked from *The New York Times*, journalist Michael Finkel senses a way back when he discovers that recently captured murderer Christian Longo had been using his identity while on the run.
Director Rupert Goold (2015, 15) (S) (W) (HD)
2.30–5.30am Sign Zone 2.30 Meat: a Threat to Our Planet? The environmental impact of meat. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
3.30 Seven Worlds, One Planet *7/7.* Africa. (R) (S) (AD) (HD)
4.30 Doctor Who *1/10.* Earth comes under attack. **See choice, p218.** Shown New Year's Day 6.55pm BBC1 (S) (AD) (HD)

BBC2 **Freeview** 2 **Freesat** 102 **Sky** 102 **Virgin** 102
HD **Network** **Freeview** 102 **Freesat** 102 **Sky** 102 **Virgin** 102

ITV



Sherlock Holmes: a Game of Shadows *10.45pm* Watson and Holmes face a diabolical foe

4.00pm Tipping Point
Quiz hosted by Ben Shephard. (S) (HD)

5.00 The Chase
Phillip, Alice, Stephen and Jane compete. (S) (HD)

6.00 Regional News Weather (S) (HD)

6.30 ITV Evening News Weather (S) (HD)

7.00 Emmerdale
Moira is confident about her plan.

Moira Dingle	**Natalie J Robb**	Nate Robinson	**Jurell Carter**
Kerry Wyatt	**Laura Norton**	Nicola King	**Nicola Wheeler**
Kim Tate	**Claire King**	Noah Dingle	**Jack Downham**
Kyle Winchester	**Huey Quinn**	Paddy Kirk	**Dominic Brunt**
Laurel Thomas	**Charlotte Bellamy**	Priya Kotecha	**Fiona Wade**
Leanna Cavanagh	**Mimi Slinger**	Rhona Goskirk	**Zoe Henry**
Leo Goskirk	**Harvey Rogerson**	Rishi Sharma	**Bhasker Patel**
Leyla Harding	**Roxy Shahidi**	Rodney Blackstock	**Patrick Mower**
Liam Cavanagh	**Jonny McPherson**	Ryan Stocks	**James Moore**
Liv Flaherty	**Isobel Steele**	Sam Dingle	**James Hooton**
Luke Posner	**Max Parker**	Samson Dingle	**Sam Hall**
Lydia Hart	**Karen Blick**	Sarah Sugden	**Katie Hill**
Mandy Dingle	**Lisa Riley**	Tracy Metcalfe	**Amy Walsh**
Manpreet Sharma	**Rebecca Sarker**	Vanessa Woodfield	**Michelle Hardwick**
Marlon Dingle	**Mark Charnock**	Vinny	**Bradley Johnson**
Matty Barton	**Ash Palmisciano**	Victoria Sugden	**Isabel Hodgins**
Millie Tate	**Willow Bell**	Wendy Posner	**Susan Cookson**
Moses Dingle	**Arthur Cockroft**	Zak Dingle	**Steve Halliwell**

Writer Bill Lyons More cast page 231 (S) (AD) (HD)

7.30 Coronation Street
Josh's trial sparks painful memories.
Writer Chris Fewtrell Cast pages 123/201 (S) (AD) (HD)

8.00 Best Walks with a View with Julia Bradbury
Julia tackles the Borrowdale Walk in the Lake District, where she shares the scenery with lots of Viking sheep as she heads for the rugged Castle Crag. Her ramble takes in the lush green valley, with stunning views over Derwent Water.
Director/Producer Alexandra Dutton (R) (S) (HD)

8.30 Coronation Street
Steve confronts Tracy with Amy's allegations.
Writer Chris Fewtrell (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Bancroft
3/3 *Series 2.* Free from the restrictions of her position, Bancroft is determined to bring the real killer to some form of justice. Armed with the information needed to solve the case, she heads straight into a disturbing confrontation, and is forced to face her own demons.
Writer Ben Morris; Producer Simon Meyers
Director Lawrence Gough (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 ITV News at Ten
Weather; Regional News and Weather (S) (HD)

10.45 Sherlock Holmes: a Game of Shadows ★★★
Period mystery thriller. Sherlock Holmes and his trusty assistant Dr Watson are once again drawn into a battle of wits with arch nemesis Professor Moriarty. And this time the evil genius's plan could spell disaster for the whole of Europe. **Review page 95.**

Sherlock Holmes	**Robert Downey Jr**	Inspector Lestrade	**Eddie Marsan**
Dr John Watson	**Jude Law**	Colonel Sebastian Moran	**Paul Anderson**
Madam Simza Heron	**Noomi Rapace**	Mary Watson	**Kelly Reilly**
Professor James Moriarty	**Jared Harris**	Mrs Hudson	**Geraldine James**
Irene Adler	**Rachel McAdams**	Doctor Hoffmanstahl	**Wolf Kahler**
Mycroft Holmes	**Stephen Fry**	Captain Tanner	**Clive Russell**

Director Guy Ritchie (2011, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.00am Home Shopping
3.00 Who's Doing the Dishes? Boxing promoter Kellie Maloney throws a dinner party. (R) (S) (SL) (AD) (HD)
3.50–6.00am Nightscreen Text information. (HD)

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Channel 4



Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast *8.00pm* There's a nostalgic treat in store for Mary

5.00pm Couples Come Dine with Me
There's a glitz and glam evening, an Indian feast and some intrigue in Greater Manchester. (S) (HD)

6.00 The Simpsons
Much Apu about Nothing. Homer helps Apu prepare for a vital citizenship test. (R) (S) (AD)

6.30 Hollyoaks
Mercedes prepares a special dinner for Bobby.

Mercedes McQueen	**Jennifer Metcalfe**	John Paul McQueen	**James Sutton**
Bobby Costello	**Jayden Fox**	Kyle Kelly	**Adam Rickitt**
Sienna Blake	**Anna Passey**	Leah Barnes	**Ela-May Demircan**
Toby Faroe	**Bobby Gordon**	Liam Donovan	**Jude Monk McGowan**
Tom Cunningham	**Ellis Hollins**	Lucas Hay	**William Hall**
Walter Deveraux	**Trevor A Toussaint**	Marnie Nightingale	**Lysette Anthony**
Yasmine Maalik	**Haiesha Mistry**	Matthew-Jesus McQueen	
Breda McQueen	**Moya Brady**		**Connor/Malachy Birchall**
Charlie Dean	**Charlie Behan**	Oscar Osborne	**Noah Holdsworth**
Curtis Royle	**Charlie Hughes**	Sally St Claire	**Annie Wallace**
Ella Richardson	**Erin Palmer**	Sylver McQueen	**David Tag**
Grace Black	**Tamara Wall**	Tony Hutchinson	**Nick Pickard**
Jack Osborne	**James McKenna**	DS Cohen	**Ariana Fraval**

Writer Richard Burke More cast p171 Shown yesterday 7pm E4
Rptd next Monday E4 The next episode follows on E4 (S) (AD) (HD)

7.00 Channel 4 News Sport; Weather (S) (HD)

8.00 Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast
RT ***New series. Ep 1*** *Series 7.* The duo return to their pop-up café on Southend pier, kicking off the series under the eagle eye of Mary Berry. She gets a trip down memory lane when the boys conjure recollections of her family holidays by preparing a stuffed trout, some potted shrimps and a retro crab cocktail. Jimmy tries his luck at winning "star baker" with a tasty mozzarella and pesto bread. **See p238.**
Series producer Anna Stickland
Executive producer Samantha Beddoes (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Gogglebox Festive Special
The armchair critics cast their eyes over this year's Christmas TV shows, watching hits from the festive season including classic movies, exciting new dramas and other festive treats.
Executive producer Tania Alexander (S) (AD) (HD)

10.30 Richard Osman's World Cup of the Decade
Richard and his guests Jon Richardson, Lorraine Kelly, Alex Brooker and Rhianna Dhillon celebrate the best films, TV shows, songs, celebrities and "new things" of the past decade. They discuss the contenders in the groups, before revealing the winners in each category. **See choice, p169.**
Shown Friday 27 December 9pm (S) (HD)
RT BOOKS To order *Richard Osman's House of Games* for £13.50 inc p&p, call 03302 232 639 or visit radiotimes.com/shop52

12 midnight Attack the Block ★★★★
Sci-fi action comedy. In south London, five teenagers in the process of mugging a woman are disturbed by an alien invader. Soon their housing estate is overrun with beings from outer space and the hunters have become the hunted. **Film of the Day: p95.**

Sam	**Jodie Whittaker**	Jerome	**Leeon Jones**
Moses	**John Boyega**	Biggz	**Simon Howard**
Ron	**Nick Frost**	Hi-Hatz	**Jumayn Hunter**
Pest	**Alex Esmail**	Tia	**Danielle Vitalis**
Brewis	**Luke Treadaway**	Margaret	**Maggie McCarthy**
Dennis	**Franz Drameh**		

Director Joe Cornish (2010, 15) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

1.30am Sean Lock: Keep It Light A stand-up performance discussing the price of cinema food, mid-life crises and jewellery heists. (R) (S) (HD)
2.25 Come Dine with Me From Dudley. (R) (S) (HD)
4.50 Kirstie's Celebrity Craft Masters Susan Calman and Mark Dolan go head to head to create storage and cat coil baskets from trash. (R) (S) (SL) (HD)
5.45–6.00am Kirstie's Handmade Christmas The host offers tips on Christmas trees. (R) (S) (HD)

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BBC4



Top of the Pops: Big Hits 1989 *9.30pm* The chart-topping style of Lisa Stansfield

7.00pm A Hard Day's Night
★★★★★ Musical comedy. John, Paul, George and Ringo set off for London, where they are due to take part in a live TV show. But the antics of Paul's mischievous grandfather throw the performance into jeopardy. Includes the classic songs *A Hard Day's Night*, *Tell Me Why* and *I Should Have Known Better*. **Review page 94.**

John	**John Lennon**
Paul	**Paul McCartney**
George	**George Harrison**
Ringo	**Ringo Starr**
Grandfather	**Wilfrid Brambell**

Director Richard Lester (1964, U) (BW) (S) (AD)

8.30 Top of the Pops: the Story of 1989
RT Margaret Thatcher's last full year as British prime minister contrasted with global political change, while in the music world Pete Waterman's final year of chart domination heralded the dawn of Madchester. Female artists brought attitude and power to the year's music, while an unlikely duet between a 60s legend and an 80s icon proved a chart topper. **See page 238.**
Director/Producer Verity Maidlow Cornwell
Repeated 1.30am (S)

9.30 Top of the Pops: Big Hits 1989
A musical compilation, featuring mature rockers Tina Turner and Phil Collins, all-conquering funki dreds Soul II Soul, dance queen Paula Abdul, northern soul girl Lisa Stansfield and the stubborn indie pop of the Beautiful South. Madchester favourites Stone Roses and Happy Mondays put in an appearance, along with Stock Aitken Waterman stalwarts Kylie Minogue, Jason Donovan and Sonia.
Producer Sasha Duncan; Executive producer Mark Cooper Repeated 2.30am (S)

10.30 Soft Cell: Say Hello, Wave Goodbye
One of the most influential and ground-breaking bands of the 1980s, Soft Cell celebrated their 40th anniversary in 2018 with a reunion concert at the O_2. This documentary follows Marc Almond and Dave Ball as they prepare to perform together once more, and chronicles the rise and fall of the subversive synthpop duo who were influenced by punk and northern soul as much as Kraftwerk.
Director/Producer Guy Evans (R) (S) (HD)

11.30 Smashing Hits! The 80s Pop Map of Britain and Ireland
1/3. Musicians Midge Ure and Kim Appleby revisit the music of the 1980s to determine why cities produced their own diverse tunes, beginning in London, Sheffield and Coventry.
Series producer Paul Murray
Executive producer Andrew Sheldon (R) (S) (HD)

12.30am Depeche Mode at the BBC
Archive TV performances. (R) (S) (HD)
1.30 Top of the Pops: the Story of 1989
Shown 8.30pm (S)
2.30–3.30am Top of the Pops: Big Hits 1989 Shown 9.30pm (S)

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Regional variations

BBC SCOTLAND
As BBC2 until:
7.00pm From Syria to Scotland – Our Lives: Syrian refugee families who have made their homes on the island of Bute **7.30** Emeli Sande's Street Symphony: the buskers join Emeli live at Glasgow City Halls **8.30** Roaming in the Wild **9.00** The Nine **10.00** The Best of a View from the Terrace **11.00–12 midnight** Jim Smith Live from Perth: the final night of the stand-up comedian's sell-out tour

STV
8.00–8.30pm Sean's Scottish New Year **1.00am** Through the Keyhold **1.50–6.00** Nightscreen

BBC1 WALES
3.30pm Garden Rescue: Charlie Dimmock and the Rich brothers compete to design a zen space **4.00** The Repair Shop **4.45–5.15** Tudur's TV Flashback **7.30–8.00** Dirty Vegan – new series: a vegan spread for 160 wedding guests at a country estate

BBC2 WALES
7.00pm Scrum V Live: Ebbw Vale v Merthyr (kick-off 7.05) **9.00** Only Connect **9.30–10.00** Christmas University Challenge

Channel 5 listings are overleaf

RT RT Choice Family Red button (R) Repeat (S) Subtitles (SL) Signing (AD) Audio description (HD) High def FILMS P Premiere (W) Widescreen (BW) Black/white ★★★★★ Outstanding ★★★★ Very good ★★★ Worth watching ★★ Could be worse ★ Poor

FRIDAY Freeview

Channel 5 5



Secret Scotland with Susan Calman *8.00pm* The comic learns to cèilidh

Freeview 5 **Freesat** 105 **Sky** 105 **Virgin** 105
HD **Freeview** 105 **Freesat** 105 **Virgin** 150

6.00am Milkshake! See page 235
9.15 ***New.*** **Jeremy Vine** (S) (HD)
11.15 Police Interceptors Charlie and Paul are in pursuit of a dangerous driver. (S) (HD)
12.10pm 5 News (S) (HD)
12.15 The World's Most Expensive Cruise Ship Life on board the *Seven Seas Explorer*. Shown Fri 27 Dec 8pm (S) (HD) **1.35 Access** (S) (HD)
1.40 ***New.*** **Neighbours** Rptd 6pm (S) (AD) (HD)
2.10 Babe: Pig in the City ★★ Fantasy comedy with James Cromwell. Babe is sent to a state fair to raise money to save a farm and gets stranded in the city. Director George Miller (1998, U) (S) (W) (HD)
4.00 Friends The pals attend Ross's lecture.
4.25 Phoebe discovers Mike has a girlfriend.
5.00 Ross embarrasses himself. (S) (HD)

5.30pm 5 News (S) (HD)

6.00 Neighbours
Roxy is disturbed by Kyle's behaviour. Shown 1.40pm Rptd 6pm 5Star (S) (AD) (HD)

6.30 5 News Tonight (S) (HD)

7.00 Building the Forth Rail Bridge
Rob Bell finds out how six of Britain's finest bridges were designed and built, starting with the Forth Rail Bridge, one of the last great Victorian engineering triumphs. Director/Producer Phil Stein (S) (HD)
Followed by **5 News Update** (S) (HD)

8.00 ***New series.*** **Secret Scotland with Susan Calman**
RT *1/5 Series 2.* The comedian reveals more tales behind famous Scottish locations, beginning with the Cairngorms, where she learns to ceilidh in the Queen's ballroom and gets face-to-face with Britain's rarest mammal, the wildcat. **See p239.** Directors/Producers Shruti Rao, Fiona McGrady and Tony McKee (S) (HD)
RT TRAVEL Check out our range of Scottish holidays at radiotimes.com/Scotland
Followed by **5 News Update** (S) (HD)

9.00 ***New series.*** **Holidaying with Jane McDonald**
1/6. The singer chills out on Corfu, and takes a speedboat tour of the western coast. Ore Oduba enjoys a luxury break in the Lake District, while Jennie Bond takes her best friend Sue on a fun trip to Portugal's vibrant capital, Lisbon. Director/Producer Vanessa Williams (S) (HD)
RT TRAVEL Sail the seas with RT Travel: visit radiotimes.com/RTcruises

10.00 Peter Kay: in His Own Words
Celebrating the life and career of the comedian, featuring interviews with the man himself as well as friends and colleagues. Shown Sunday 29th December 9pm (S) (HD)

12 midnight Greatest Ever Celebrity Wind Ups (S) (HD) **12.55am** Access (S) (HD) **1.00** ***New.*** Casino (S) (HD) **3.00** Access (S) (HD) **3.10** The Funny Thing about Dating (S) (HD) **4.00** The Funny Thing About Kids (S) (HD) **4.45** House Doctor (S) (SL) (HD) **5.10** Great Artists (S) (SL) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** Wildlife SOS (S) (SL)

+1 **Freeview** 44 **Freesat** 128 **Sky** 205 **Virgin** 155
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ITV2 6



Jurassic Park III *7.10pm* Dr Alan Grant (Sam Neill) is outnumbered

F'view 6 **F'sat** 113 **Sky** 118 **Virgin** 115 **HD** **Virgin** 176

7.00am Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **7.15** You've Been Framed! Gold (S) **7.45** Emmerdale (S) (HD) **8.45** Catchphrase (S) (HD) **9.25** You've Been Framed! Gold: Top 100 Kids (S) **10.30 FILM** SPYkids 3: Game Over ★★ Action adventure with Antonio Banderas (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
12.10pm Emmerdale Shown yesterday 7/8pm ITV (S) (AD) (HD) **1.10** The Big Soap Quiz: Coronation Street v Emmerdale (S) (HD) **2.10** ***New.*** The Ellen DeGeneres Show: with Shin Lim (S) (HD) **3.00** I'm a Celebrity…Jungle Fever (S) (HD) **4.00** I'm a Celebrity…Get Me Out of Here! Coming Out (S) (HD) **5.00** Take Me Out Emergency Services Special Shown Sat 28 Dec 5.30pm ITV (S) (HD)

6.05pm You've Been Framed! Gold: A to Z!
Comical clips narrated by Harry Hill. (S)

7.10 Jurassic Park III ★★★
Sci-fi adventure. Dr Alan Grant is persuaded by a seemingly wealthy couple to join them on a trip to a dinosaur-inhabited island, but he soon discovers that he has been used as a pawn in a game.

Dr Alan Grant	**Sam Neill**
Paul Kirby	**William H Macy**
Amanda Kirby	**Téa Leoni**
Billy Brennan	**Alessandro Nivola**
Eric Kirby	**Trevor Morgan**

Director Joe Johnston (2001, PG) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

9.00 Pitch Perfect ★★★
Musical comedy. New girl Beca's singing voice makes her the centre of attention when she signs up to become part of her college's all-female *a cappella* group. Director Jason Moore (2012, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.15 Family Guy
Series 7. Peter befriends OJ Simpson and takes him to meet the family. (S) (AD) (HD)
11.45 *Series 15.* Peter gets a temporary job as principal of Meg's school. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.10am American Dad! (S) (AD) (HD)
1.05 Celebrity Juice: Bestest Bits 2017 (S) (HD)
2.05 Release the Hounds (S) (HD)
3.05 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records (S) (HD) **3.25–3.30am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITV2+1 **Freeview** 27 **Freesat** 114 **Sky** 218 **Virgin** 116

ITV4 24

F'view 24 **F'sat** 117 **Sky** 120 **Virgin** 118 **HD** **Virgin** 178

6.00am Football's Greatest: Bobby Charlton (S) (HD) **6.15** Quincy (S) (HD) **7.05** Kojak (S) (HD) **8.00** The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes (S) (SL) (HD) **9.05** Minder (S) (AD) **10.15** The Professionals (S) (AD) **11.20** The Sweeney (S)
12.25pm Quincy (S) (HD) **1.30** Kojak (S) (HD) **2.30** The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes (S) (HD) **3.40** Minder (S) (AD) **4.50** The Professionals (S) (AD) **5.55** The Sweeney (S)
7.00pm The Chase Celebrity Special With Michael Parr, Alex Scott, Jennifer Metcalfe and Bill Turnbull. (S) (HD)
8.00 River Monsters A colossal fish said to swallow men whole in South America. (S) (HD)
8.30 The animal responsible for dragging passengers from a capsized riverboat. (S) (HD)
9.00 FILM Jaws III ★★ The grooming of an infant great white shark as the latest tourist attraction causes the creature's vengeful mother to make an appearance. (S) (AD) (W) (HD)
11.05 ***New.*** **All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite** Action from the weekly AEW event. (S) (HD)
1.20am The Sweeney (S) (SL) **2.20** The Protectors (S) **2.45–3.00am** Nightscreen (HD)

ITV4 +1 **Freesat** 154 **Sky** 220 **Virgin** 175

ITV3 10



Midsomer Murders *8.00pm* Melody (Lucie Jones) mourns her uncle

F'view 10 **F'sat** 115 **Sky** 119 **Virgin** 117 **HD** **Virgin** 177

6.00am Classic Coronation Street (S)
6.50 Classic Emmerdale (S) **7.55** Heartbeat (S) (AD) **8.55 FILM** Carry On – Don't Lose Your Head ★★★★ Comedy starring Sidney James (S) (AD) (W) **10.40 FILM** Rising Damp ★★ Comedy starring Leonard Rossiter (W)
12.40pm Heartbeat (S) (AD) **1.45** Classic Emmerdale: double bill. Viv has some unwelcome news for Vic, then Vic runs into difficulties on the moors (S) **2.50** Classic Coronation Street: double bill. Jack tries to hide the paper from Vera when news of his affair breaks, then Emily supports Percy over finishing with Maud (S) **3.55** Agatha Christie's Marple (S) (AD) (HD)

5.55pm Heartbeat
A group of young offenders come to stay at Ashfordly Hall, but soon find themselves under suspicion after a spate of disturbances in the village. (S) (AD)

6.55 Agatha Christie's Poirot
The Double Clue. When Japp asks for Poirot's help to investigate a series of jewel thefts, the detective falls in love with the main suspect, leaving Hastings and Miss Lemon to do most of the actual work. Guest-starring Kika Markham. (S) (HD)

8.00 Midsomer Murders
The Ballad of Midsomer County. It's the day of the Little Crosby Folk Festival and organiser Toby Winning is found dead, having drowned in a bowl of eggs and live eels. The murder seems to have been inspired by a ballad made famous by the late, lamented star Johnny Carver. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 Vera
3/4 *Series 9.* **Cold River.** A beauty empire is rocked to its foundations when one of three sisters is found dead in the River Tyne after a lavish party on a boat. On the case is DCI Stanhope, who believes the death was no accident. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.05am A Touch of Frost (S) (SL) **2.05** Tutankhamun: drama starring Sam Neill (S) (AD) (HD) **3.05–3.30** Nightscreen

+1 **F'view** 34 *(9pm–midnight)* **F'sat** 116 **Sky** 219 **Virgin** 174

ITVBe 26

F'view 26 **F'sat** 118 **Sky** 131 **Virgin** 119 **HD** **Virgin** 179

7.00am The Bachelorette: double bill (S) (HD)
8.50 Be Tasty (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** LittleBe (HD)
12 noon Be Beautiful (S) (AD) (HD) **12.10pm** The Real Housewives of Atlanta (S) (HD) **1.10** Buying and Selling: looking for a couple's starter home (S) (HD) **2.10** Million Dollar Listing: LA (S) (HD) **3.05** The Real Housewives of Orange County (S) (HD) **4.00** The Real Housewives of New Jersey: double bill (S) (HD)
6.00pm Buying and Selling Jonathan and Drew Scott help a widower and his daughter renovate their current home. (S) (HD)
7.00 Helping a couple spruce up their home to accommodate their growing family. (S) (HD)
8.00 Dinner Date A woman from Glasgow looks for love on three blind dates. (S) (AD) (HD)
9.00 Botched Helping a man whose doctor left a thumbprint on his nose. (S) (AD) (HD)
10.00 A woman visits the clinic, concerned about her blown-up lips. (S) (AD) (HD)
11.00 Groundhog Date Going on the same date several times with different people. (S) (HD)
12 midnight The Only Way Is Essex (S) (HD)
12.45–12.55am Nightscreen

ITVBe +1 **Freesat** 119 **Sky** 231 **Virgin** 120

Drama 20



New Tricks *10.20pm* The team looks into the suspicious death of a film critic

Freeview 20 **Freesat** 158 **Sky** 143 **Virgin** 130

7.15am The House of Eliott (S) **8.05** Soldier Soldier (S) **9.05** The Bill (S) **10.05** Classic Holby City **11.05** Classic Casualty
12.05pm The Bill (S) **1.10** Classic EastEnders **2.30** Sense and Sensibility (S) (AD)

6.30pm One Foot in the Grave
The Wisdom of the Witch. Christmas special from 1995. The Meldrews' wedding anniversary celebrations turn sour as they learn cousin Ursula has died, forcing Victor to defy a witch's grim warning. (S)

Victor Meldrew	**Richard Wilson**
Margaret Meldrew	**Annette Crosbie**
Patrick	**Angus Deayton**
Pippa	**Janine Duvitski**
Melvin	**Phil Daniels**

8.00 Father Brown
14/15 *Series 3.* **The Deadly Seal.** The priest is put in a difficult situation when he is told about an assassination plot during a confession. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Death in Paradise
6/8 *Series 6.* **Man Overboard 2/2**
Humphrey and the team find themselves racing against the clock in London to solve two murders after their prime suspect is found dead. Dwayne has an emotional encounter and Humphrey finds that some advice from an unexpected source helps him to come to a big decision. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.20 New Tricks
5/10 *Series 11.* **London Underground**
Sasha and ex-husband Ned Hancock are forced to work together when the body of a film critic found in a sewer is thought to be linked to a 20-year-old murder with connections to the occult. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.40 Taggart
1/2 *Series 2.* **Knife Edge.** A woman's leg is found in the grass at the side of a motorway and Taggart and Livingstone are brought into the investigation. (S)
2.40am The House of Eliott (S)
3.25–4.00am Garden Hopping

Drama +1 **Sky** 243 **Virgin** 226

Dave 19

F'view 19 **F'sat** 157 **Sky** 111 **Virgin** 127 **HD** **Virgin** 227 **BT** 387

7.10am Brojects (S) (HD) **8.00** American Pickers: Best Of (S) (HD) **9.00** Storage Hunters (S) (HD) **10.00** American Pickers: Best Of (S) (HD) **11.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad (S) (HD)
12 noon Sin City Motors (S) (HD) **1.00pm** Top Gear (S) (AD) **2.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad (S) (HD) **3.00** Sin City Motors: building a rat rod (S) (HD) **4.00** James May's Cars of the People (S) (AD) (HD) **5.00** Top Gear (S) (AD)
6.00pm Top Gear Botswana Special (S) (AD)
7.00 QI XL Guests include Johnny Vegas. (HD)
7.40 Would I Lie to You? With Aisling Bea, Adrian Chiles and Seann Walsh. (S) (HD)
8.20 Would I Lie to You? The Unseen Bits Extra material from the show. (S) (HD)
9.00 All Girls Live at the Apollo Including Jo Brand, Joan Rivers and Aisling Bea. (HD)
10.00 Taskmaster: Champion of Champions A two-part special welcoming back the champions from the first five series. (S) (HD)
11.00 QI XL Double bill. (HD)
12.20am Mock the Week (S) (HD) **1.00** Would I Lie to You? (S) (HD) **1.40** QI XL: two editions (HD)
2.55–4.00am Mock the Week (S) (HD)

Dave Ja Vu **Freeview** 79 **Sky** 211 **Virgin** 131

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More4 18



Hail, Caesar! *9.00pm* Baird Whitlock has to explain himself to Eddie Mannix

F'view 18 **F'sat** 124 **Sky** 136 **Virgin** 147 **HD** **Virgin** 195

8.55am Food Unwrapped (S) (AD) (HD)
9.35 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun (S) (HD)
11.35 Escape to the Château (S) (AD) (HD)
12.40pm Come Dine with Me (S) (HD)
3.20 Four in a Bed (S) (HD)

5.55pm Come Dine with Me
Four contestants from Doncaster take part in the dinner party challenge. (S) (HD)

8.00 Escape to the Château
Awaiting the arrival of guests. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Hail, Caesar! ★★★★
Comedy. In the 1950s, a Hollywood fixer tasked with keeping the scandalous antics of studio stars out of the press has a manic 24-hours. **Review p95.**

Eddie Mannix	**Josh Brolin**
Baird Whitlock	**George Clooney**
Thora Thacker / Thessaly Thacker	**Tilda Swinton**
Laurence Laurentz	**Ralph Fiennes**
Burt Gurney	**Channing Tatum**

Director Ethan Coen, Joel Coen (2016, 12) (S) (AD) (W) (HD)

11.05 24 Hours in A&E
A man is airlifted to hospital. (S) (AD) (HD)
12.10am A man arrives in Resus with suspected internal bleeding. (S) (AD) (HD)
1.15 Eight out of Ten Cats Does Countdown (S) (HD) **2.20** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA (S) **3.20–3.50am** Father Ted (S) (AD)

More4 +1 **Freeview** 86 **Freesat** 125 **Sky** 236 **Virgin** 196

E4 13

F'view 13 **F'sat** 122 **Sky** 135 **Virgin** 106 **HD** **Virgin** 145

6.00am Hollyoaks Shown New Year's Eve/Thu 2 Jan 6.30pm C4 (AD) **7.00** The Tiger Who Came to Tea **See choice, p130.** (AD) **7.30** Celebrity Christmas Come Dine with Me **8.00** How I Met Your Mother (AD) **9.00** Mike & Molly **10.00** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **11.00** The Goldbergs (AD)
12 noon Brooklyn Nine-Nine (AD) **1.00pm** The Big Bang Theory (AD) **2.00** Mike & Molly **3.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine (AD) **4.00** The Goldbergs (AD) **5.00** The Big Bang Theory (AD)
6.00pm The Big Bang Theory (AD)
7.00 ***New.*** **Hollyoaks** The McQueens throw a celebration. Cast pp171/241 Rptd next Mon C4 (AD)
7.30 The Big Bang's Biggest Bangs Some of the funniest moments from the show. (AD)
8.00 The Big Bang Theory of Everything Celebration of the US comedy. (AD)
9.00 FILM The Watch ★★★ Sci-fi comedy with Jonah Hill, Ben Stiller and Vince Vaughn. (W)
11.05 Rick and Morty *5/10 Series 3.* (AD)
11.35 ***New.*** **Momma Named Me Sheriff** A review of recent events. (AD)
11.50 ***New.*** Spin-off. Last in series. (AD)
12.05am Rick and Morty (AD) **12.35** The Inbetweeners (SL) (AD) **1.45** Gogglebox (SL) (AD) **2.45** Naked Attraction (AD) **3.40** as 10am **4.30–6.00am** How I Met Your Mother (AD)

E4 +1 **Freeview** 28 **Freesat** 123 **Sky** 235 **Virgin** 146

4seven 47

F'view 47 **F'sat** 127 **Sky** 137 **Virgin** 143 **HD** **F'view** 110

9.00am Come Dine with Me **11.30** A Place in the Sun **12 noon** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun **1.00pm** Undercover Boss USA **2.00** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **3.00** Everybody Loves Raymond (AD) **4.00** Frasier (AD) **5.00** A Place in the Sun: Home or Away **6.00** A New Life in the Sun: Where Are They Now? **7.00** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **8.00** Last Minute Holiday Secrets Unpacked **See choice, p228** Shown Thu 2 Jan 8pm C4 (AD) **9.00** Sarah Millican: Control Enthusiast **10.00** Tom Allen Absolutely Live **11.05** Big Fat Quiz of the Decade **See choice, p229** Shown Thu 2 Jan 9pm C4 **1.10am** Gogglebox (AD) **2.40** Celebrity Gogglebox (AD) **3.45–4.45am** Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast (AD)

Paramount Network 54



No Country for Old Men *9.00pm* Javier Bardem plays a hitman

F'view 54 **F'sat** 132 **Sky** 153 **Virgin** 188 **HD** **Virgin** 187

9.00am The Office US: double bill (HD)
9.55 Now That's Funny!: double bill (S) (HD)
12 noon FILM Deadly Secrets by the Lake ★★ Mystery (HD) **1.50pm FILM** Murdered at 17 ★★ Mystery drama (HD) **3.35 FILM** One Small Indiscretion ★★ Thriller (HD) **5.25 FILM** A Honeymoon to Die For ★★ Thriller (HD)

7.10pm The Neighbourhood Nightmare
★★ Thriller starring Julie McNiven and Trevor Donovan.
Director Jake Helgren (2018) (HD)

9.00 No Country for Old Men ★★★★★
Oscar-winning crime thriller starring Tommy Lee Jones, Javier Bardem and Josh Brolin. After going on the run with $2 million from a botched desert drugs deal, a hapless cowboy is pursued across Texas.
Directors Ethan Coen and Joel Coen (2007, 15) (HD)

11.25 No Good Deed ★★
Crime thriller starring Taraji P Henson and Idris Elba. Terri invites a stranger into her home, little realising he is a serial killer who has just escaped from prison.
Director Sam Miller (2014, 15) (HD)

1.05am Sleepy Hollow (S) (HD) **2.55** Now That's Funny! (S) (HD) **4.40** Pets Make You Laugh Out Loud 3 (S) (HD) **5.00** Neighbours (S) (AD) (HD) **5.30** Access (S) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** The Office US (HD)

Pick 11

Freeview 11 **Freesat** 144 **Sky** 152 **Virgin** 165

7.00am Caught Red Handed: triple bill **9.00** Road Wars: four episodes following Thames Valley Police as they use unmarked cars fitted with on-board video cameras, offering an insight into vehicle crime **1.00pm** Brit Cops: Rapid Response: eight instalments of the documentary series following a rapid response team of police officers as they tackle crime (AD) **9.00** Crazy on a Plane: footage of midair mayhem, including a man taking an early exit from the plane via the wing **10.00** The Force: North East: six episodes following police forces tackling crime **4.00** Road Wars: officers tackle a mugger who is trying to rob a bus **5.00–6.00am** Motorway Patrol: double bill

Pick +1 **Freeview** 92 **Freesat** 145 **Sky** 252

Sony Channel 48

Freeview 48 *(limited)* **Freesat** 142 **Sky** 157 **Virgin** 189

6.00am The Waltons **7.00** Hart to Hart **11.00** Charlie's Angels **12 noon** TJ Hooker **2.00pm** Hart to Hart **4.00** Murder, She Wrote **6.00** Charlie's Angels: A jailbird swears revenge on Kelly **7.00** M*A*S*H: four back-to-back episodes **9.00** Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?: triple bill **12 midnight** M*A*S*H **2.00am** Charlie's Angels **3.00** M*A*S*H **3.30** The Waltons **4.20** Touched by an Angel **5.10–6.00am** Highway to Heaven

Sony Channel +1 **Freesat** 152 **Sky** 257

Horror Channel 70

Freeview 70 **Freesat** 138 **Sky** 317 **Virgin** 149

8.00am Andromeda **9.00** Star Trek: Voyager **10.00** Star Trek **11.00 FILM** Miami Magma ★★ Disaster movie **12.50pm** Highlights **1.00 FILM** Post Impact ★★ Action adventure **2.50** Highlights **3.00** Sliders **4.00 FILM** Dragonquest ★★ Fantasy adventure **5.50** Highlights **6.00pm** Star Trek **7.00** Star Trek: Voyager **8.00** Mutant X **9.00 P FILM** Hostile ★★★ Psychological horror **10.40 FILM** Wolves ★★ Action horror starring Jason Momoa **12.30am FILM** Amityville II: the Possession ★★★ Horror **2.35 FILM** Deathgasm ★★★ Comedy horror **4.20–4.30am** Highlights

5 USA 21

Freeview 21 **Freesat** 129 **Sky** 141 **Virgin** 153

9.00am CSI: NY (S) **1.10pm** Columbo: Make Me a Perfect Murder (S) **3.20** Columbo: How to Dial a Murder (S) (AD) **5.00** Law & Order *Series 11.* Triple bill. A restaurant owner is murdered **6.00** A gay man is beaten to death **7.00** A sports star is accused of murder (S) **8.00** NCIS *Series 14.* Bishop seeks vengeance for the murder of her boyfriend Qasim (S) **9.00** ***New.*** Private Eyes *Series 2.* Shade is hired by a female boxer to prove a fight was fixed First shown on Universal (S) **10.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (S) **12.55am** CSI: NY: three back-to-back episodes of the US drama (S) **3.50–4.00am** Access

5 USA +1 **F'view** 57 (not 2-4am) **F'sat** 130 **Sky** 241 **Virgin** 185

5 Star 30

Freeview 30 **Freesat** 131 **Sky** 128 **Virgin** 151

8.00am 3rd Rock from the Sun (S) (HD) **9.10** Will & Grace (HD) **10.10** Last Man Standing (S) (HD) **11.10** Two and a Half Men (HD) **12.05pm** Bad Tenants, Rogue Landlords (S) (HD) **1.05** Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away (S) (HD) **3.00** Neighbours (S) (AD) (HD) **3.30** Home and Away in 2020: New Decades, New Attitude (S) (HD) **4.00** Strongman (S) (HD) **6.00pm** Neighbours Simulcast with C5 (S) (AD) (HD) **6.30** Home and Away (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door: double bill (S) (HD) **9.00 FILM** London Has Fallen ★★ Action thriller. The US president and the head of his Secret Service must foil a terrorist attack (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** ***New.*** Impact Wrestling (HD) **12.55am** The Funny Thing about Christmas (S) (HD) **2.00** Wentworth Prison: double bill (S) (AD) (HD) **3.55–4.00am** Access (S) (HD)

5 Star +1 **Freeview** 56 **Sky** 228 **Virgin** 186

5 Spike 31

Freeview 31 **Freesat** 141 **Sky** 150 **Virgin** 154

9.00am Access (HD) **9.05** Criminals: Caught on Camera (AD) (HD) **9.35** The A-Team (AD) (HD) **10.40** Police Interceptors (HD) **11.45 FILM** First Knight ★★★ Adventure (HD) **2.30pm FILM** The Duel at Silver Creek ★★ Western starring Audie Murphy **4.05 FILM** Major Dundee ★★★ Western (HD) **6.40pm FILM** Clash of the Titans ★★★ Fantasy adventure starring Laurence Olivier and Harry Hamlin (HD) **9.00** Traffic Cops: Under Attack: triple bill (HD) **12 midnight** Traffic Cops: on the Edge (HD) **1.00am** Airwolf (HD) **2.00–3.00am** Airwolf (HD)

5 Spike +1 **Sky** 250

5 Select 55

Freeview 55 **Freesat** 133 **Sky** 159 **Virgin** 152

9.00am Access **9.10** Paddington Station 24/7 (S) **10.00** Christmas Cruising with Jane McDonald (S) **11.00** The Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies (S) **2.00pm** GPs: behind Closed Doors: double bill (S) (AD) **4.00** The Yorkshire Vet (S) **5.00** The Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies **6.00pm** GPs: behind Closed Doors: double bill (S) (AD) **8.00** The Yorkshire Vet **9.00** Winter in Alaska: a Year in the Wild: documentary in the north American state (S) **10.00** WW2: Final Days of the Nazis (S) **12 midnight** When Award Shows Go Horribly Wrong: Julian Clary narrates this compilation (S) **3.00–4.00am** Critical Condition

CBS Justice 39

Freeview 39 **Freesat** 137 **Sky** 148 **Virgin** 192

9.00am Diagnosis Murder **11.00** Matlock **12 noon** Perry Mason **1.05pm** Walker, Texas Ranger **2.05** CSI: Miami **3.00** NCIS **5.00** Matlock **6.00** Perry Mason **7.05** NCIS **8.00** Walker, Texas Ranger: Alex is wounded at Kim and Phil's wedding **9.00** CSI: NY **10.00** NCIS **12 midnight** CSI: Miami **1.00am** CSI: NY **2.00** Gunsmoke **3.05** Bonanza **4.50–6.00am** Mission: Impossible

CBS Drama 71

Freeview 71 **Freesat** 134 **Sky** 147 **Virgin** 197

9.00am Medium **10.00** ER **11.00** The Love Boat **12 noon** Judge Judy **1.00pm** Bonanza **3.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **4.00** Unsolved Mysteries **6.00pm** The Love Boat **7.00** JAG **8.00** Judge Judy: two editions **9.00** Medium **10.00** JAG: a skeleton is discovered on an aircraft carrier **11.00** The Love Boat **12 midnight** Judge Judy **1.00am** ER **2.00** Medium **3.00** JAG **4.00** Walker, Texas Ranger **5.00–6.00am** Matlock

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Yesterday 25

Freeview 25 **Freesat** 159 **Sky** 155 **Virgin** 129

6.00am Secrets of the Bible (S) (HD)
8.00 Nazi Hunters (S) **11.00** Wild Africa (S)
1.00pm Wildest Africa (S) (HD) **3.00** Wild Africa (S) **5.00** Wildest Africa (S) (HD)
7.00 Abandoned Engineering: double bill. Rusting ships stranded in a desert, then a sprawling Wild West ghost town in Montana (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Bangers and Cash: a widow parts with her husband's collection of Rolls Royces and Bentleys (S) (HD) **10.00** Secrets of the Railways: the Nordland Line, the longest in Norway at 453 miles (S) (AD) (HD)
11.00 Steam Train Britain (AD) (HD)
12 midnight War Factories (S) (HD)
1.00–3.00am Secrets of the Bible (S) (HD)

Yesterday +1 **Sky** 255 **Virgin** 200

Really 17

Freeview 17 **Freesat** 160 **Sky** 142 **Virgin** 128

6.00am Fantasy Homes by the Sea (HD)
7.00 Home Shopping **8.00** Helicopter ER (HD)
6.00pm Antiques Road Trip: triple bill. From Northumberland to Dumfries **7.00** A journey through Scotland **8.00** From Glasgow to Dundee (HD) **9.00** ***New.*** Ghost Adventures: an Arizona home said to built on a native American burial ground (HD) **10.00** ***New.*** Haunted Hospitals: paranormal activity at a German castle in the Rhineland (HD) **11.00** Ghost Chasers (HD)
12 midnight Ghost Adventures (HD) **1.00am** Help! My House Is Haunted (HD) **2.00** Home Shopping **4.00–6.00am** Antiques Road Trip (HD)

Home 42

Freeview 42 **Freesat** 166 **Sky** 158 **Virgin** 279

7.00am Flog It!: ten editions (HD)
6.00pm Flog It!: six further editions. James Lewis and Charlie Ross value items in the setting of Coventry Transport Museum **7.00** Members of the public gather at the Imperial War Museum Duxford in Cambridgeshire **8.00** Anita Manning values 50 silver ingots at Tatton Park in Cheshire **9.00** Another visit to the Imperial War Museum Duxford **10.00** Paul Martin, Catherine Southon and Mark Stacey head to National Museum Cardiff **11.00** Adam Partridge and Christina Trevanion value objects at Hereford Cathedral (HD)
12 midnight–4.00am Flog It! (HD)

Home +1 **Sky** 258 **Virgin** 283

Quest 12

F'view 12 **F'sat** 172 **Sky** 144 **Virgin** 169 **HD** **F'view** 114 **F'sat** 167

6.00am Rocky Mountain Railroad (HD)
2.00pm Treasure Quest: Snake Island (HD)
6.00 Treasure Quest: Snake Island: double bill. A dangerous run-in leads the team to an astounding clue, then the team pushes deeper into the island than ever (HD) **8.00** Salvage Hunters: Drew visits a country estate mentioned in the Domesday Book (HD) **9.00** The Unexplained Files: examining what aliens' motives could be following numerous UFO sightings (HD) **10.00** Alien Encounters: more humans try to join the hybrid network with hi-tech tools (AD) (HD) **11.00** Nostradamus Decoded: examining the 16th-century French apothecary's famously obscure publications **1.00am** Chasing Classic Cars (HD) **2.00** Wheels That Fail (HD) **3.00** Destroyed in Seconds **4.00** American Loggers (AD) (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Overhaulin'

Quest +1 **F'view** 76 (7pm-4am) **F'sat** 168 **Sky** 244 **Virgin** 213

Challenge 46

Freeview 46 **Freesat** 146 **Sky** 151 **Virgin** 164

7.00 Family Fortunes: ten episodes of the family game show **12 noon** All Star Family Fortunes: nine instalments of quiz in which teams of celebrities hope to win up to £30,000 for charity **6.00pm** The Chase Celebrity Special: triple bill **9.00** The Chase: quiz show hosted by Bradley Walsh **10.00** Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire: double bill **12 midnight** Bullseye: nine editions of the darts based quiz **4.30–6.00am** American Ninja Warrior

Challenge +1 **Freesat** 147 **Sky** 251 **Virgin** 230

BBC Parliament 232

Freeview 232 **Freesat** 201 **Sky** 504 **Virgin** 605

6.00am Lectures **6.10** Highlights **7.10** BOOKtalk **7.25** Reflections **7.55** Highlights **9.25** BOOKtalk **9.40** Properties **9.50** Lectures **10.20** Highlights **11.20** BOOKtalk **11.35** Reflections **12.05pm** Highlights **1.05** BOOKtalk **1.20** Lectures **1.50** Parliament **2.50** Properties **3.00** Awards **3.25** Reflections **3.55** BOOKtalk **4.10** Scottish FMQs **4.55** Bercow Bows Out **5.25** Lectures **5.55** Highlights **6.55** BOOKtalk **7.10** Properties **7.20** Reflections **7.50** Highlights **8.50** Booktalk **9.05** Lectures **9.35** Welsh FMQs **10.35** BOOKtalk **10.50** Reflections **11.20–6.00am** Highlights

BBC News **Freeview** 231 **Freesat** 212 **Sky** 503 **Virgin** 601 **Sky News** **Freeview** 233 **Freesat** 202 **Sky** 501 **Virgin** 603

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FRIDAY Satellite & cable



Modern Family *8.00pm* Phil and Claire get adventurous

Sky 1

Sky 106 **Virgin** 110 **HD** **Virgin** 109

6.00am Futurama (S) (HD) **7.00** Animal 999 (S) (AD) **8.00** The Dog Whisperer (HD) **9.00** The Simpsons (S) (HD) **10.00** David Attenborough's Wild City (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** NCIS: Los Angeles (S) (HD) **1.00pm** Hawaii Five-0 (S) (HD) **3.00** Modern Family (S) (HD) **4.30** The Simpsons (S) (HD)

6.00pm Futurama (S) (AD) (HD)

6.30 The Simpsons Mr Burns decides to open his own university. **7.00** Bart spends time with Springfield's grandmothers. **7.30** Moe helps Homer and Marge work on their marriage (S) (HD)

8.00 Modern Family *14/24* *Series 2.* It's Valentine's Day. (S) (HD) **8.30** *15/24.* Mitchell throws Lily a party for her second birthday. (HD)

9.00 Ant Middleton and Liam Payne: Straight Talking The pair travel through Namibia. (S) (HD)

10.00 Micky Flanagan: an' another Fing Live A stand-up show recorded at the O_2 Arena. (S) (HD) **12 midnight** The Russell Howard Hour (S) (HD) **1.00am** Rugby's Funniest Moments (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00** A League of Their Own (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** Road Wars (HD) **3.30** Modern Family (S) (HD) **5.00–6.00am** Snake Boss (S) (HD)

Sky 1 +1 **Sky** 206

Sky Arts

Sky 122 **Virgin** 123 **HD** **Virgin** 156

6.00am 2Cellos at Sydney Opera House (HD) **8.00** Discovering: Cash (HD) **9.00** Portrait Artist of the Year 2019 (S) (HD) **11.00** Too Young to Die: double bill (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00pm** The Seventies: double bill (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** Hollywood Couples: double bill (S) (HD) **5.00** Pink Floyd: a Delicate Sound of Thunder (HD)

7.00pm Classic Albums Pink Floyd's 1973 album *The Dark Side of the Moon.* (HD)

8.00 Pink Floyd: PULSE – the Dark Side of the Moon Live A 1994 concert by the band in which they performed their classic 1973 album *The Dark Side of the Moon* at Earl's Court during their Division Bell tour. (S) (HD)

9.00 Pink Floyd: the Story of Wish You Were Here The story behind the making of Pink Floyd's landmark 1975 album *Wish You Were Here*, featuring interviews with Roger Waters, David Gilmour and Nick Mason. (S) (HD)

10.15 Pink Floyd – Live at Pompeii A 1972 concert by the prog rock band, filmed amid the ruins of the Italian city, including performances of *Echoes* and *A Saucerful of Secrets*. (HD)

11.30 Guns N' Roses: Appetite for Democracy A concert at the Hard Rock Casino in Las Vegas. (HD) **2.00am** Foo Fighters: Austin City Limits (HD) **3.15** Coldplay: Live in Sao Paulo (HD) **5.30–6.00am** Discovering: Tina Turner (S) (HD)



Band of Brothers *9.00pm* Major Winters and Capt Nixon

Sky Atlantic

Sky 108

6.00am Urban Secrets (S) (HD) **7.00** Fish Town (S) (HD) **8.00** Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets (S) (AD) **9.00** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (HD) **10.00** The West Wing (S) (HD) **12 noon** Without a Trace (S) (HD) **2.00pm** Blue Bloods (S) (AD) (HD) **3.00** The West Wing (S) (HD) **5.00** Without a Trace (S) (HD)

7.00pm CSI: Crime Scene Investigation *2/23* *Series 4* The chief suspects in a serial killer investigation are murdered. (S) (HD)

8.00 Blue Bloods *5/22* *Series 5* Frank has to deal with a political scandal involving Henry. (S) (AD) (HD)

9.00 Band of Brothers *1/10.* The rivalry between Sobel and a junior officer comes to the fore. (S) (HD) **10.25** *2/10.* Winters rallies the troops during the hellish confusion of the Normandy landings. (S) (HD)

11.30 The Night Of *7/8.* Hours before retirement, the defence calls Detective Box to the stand. At Rikers, Naz's discovery has fatal consequences. (S) (AD) (HD) **12.35am** *8/8.* A last-minute controversy throws Stone into the spotlight. (S) (AD) (HD) **2.20** Nurse Jackie (S) (HD) **3.00** Without a Trace (S) (HD) **4.00–6.00am** The West Wing (S) (HD)

Sky Atlantic +1 **Sky** 208

Sky Crime

Sky 121 **Virgin** 160

6.00am Motorway Patrol (S) (AD) **7.00** Brit Cops: Rapid Response (S) (AD) **8.00** Border Security: Canada's Front Line (S) (AD) **9.00** Caught on Dashcam **12 noon** To Catch a Smuggler: JFK Airport (S) (AD)

5.00pm Snapped The story of a woman who stands accused of murdering her ex-boyfriend. (S) **6.00** When a family man is killed, investigators uncover one woman's deadly plan. (S)

7.00 Banged Up Abroad The story of Susan Haglof, who found herself serving time in Egypt. (S)

8.00 Mary Bell: Murders That Shocked The case of Mary Bell, who murdered two boys aged three and four in 1968. (S) (AD)

9.00 ***New.*** **A Lie to Die For** A romance turns into a nightmare when a husband's past surfaces.

10.00 How I Caught the Killer A woman is found dead in a bathtub full of bleach. **11.00** Police use CCTV and a public appeal to catch the killer of a 28-year-old woman in Nottingham. **12 midnight** A 20-year old call girl is suspected of murdering a man in his home in Sacramento. (S) **1.00am** Kemper on Kemper: an interview with killer Ed Kemper (S) (AD) **2.30** Killer Neighbours (S) **3.30** Murders That Shocked the Nation (S) (AD) **4.30–6.00am** Motorway Patrol: three editions (S) (AD)

Sky Crime +1 **Sky** 221 **Virgin** 207



Chicago Med *8.00pm* Dr Charles makes a sacrifice

Sky Witness

Sky 107 **Virgin** 112 **HD** **Virgin** 111

6.00am Nothing to Declare (S) (AD) **8.00** Sun, Sea and A&E (S) (AD) **9.00** Paramedics (S) (HD) **2.00pm** Customs UK (HD)

6.00pm Nothing to Declare Four editions following the work of customs officers in Australia. (S)

8.00 ***New series.*** **Chicago Med** *1/10* *Series 5.* Natalie and Will fight for their lives after a car accident, Maggie hears some bad news and Dr Charles cuts his honeymoon short to help a patient. (HD)

9.00 ***New series.*** **Chicago Fire** *1/10* *Series 8.* As a mattress factory blaze spirals out of control, the squad members fight to free the trapped victims. (HD)

10.00 ***New series.*** **Chicago PD** *1/10* *Series 7.* When a grudge with the mayor-elect puts Voight under suspicion, Upton and Halstead try to prove their sergeant's innocence and start gathering evidence to defend him. (HD)

11.00 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit *3/24* *Series 14* The best-selling author of an erotic novel is attacked. (HD) **12 midnight** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (S) (HD) **1.00am** The InBetween (HD) **2.00–6.00am** Nothing to Declare (S) (AD)

Sky Witness +1 **Sky** 207 **Virgin** 180

Sky 2

Sky 168 **Virgin** 160

7.00am RSPCA Animal Rescue (S) (AD) **9.00** The Dog Whisperer **10.00** My Kitchen Rules: Australia (S) **12.30pm** Monkey Life (S) (AD) **1.00** American Ninja Warrior (S) **3.00** Stargate SG-1 (S) **7.00** Road Wars (S) **8.00** Road Wars (S) **9.00** A League of Their Own US Road Trip: out-takes, pranks and wind-ups from the series. (S) (AD) **10.00** Ross Kemp: Extreme World: double bill. The actor investigates sex trafficking in India, then he visits Papua New Guinea, where dangerous gangs have control of the streets (S) (AD) **12 midnight** Chicago Med (S) (HD) **1.00am** Chicago Fire **2.00** Chicago PD (S) (HD) **3.00** A League of Their Own (S) (AD) **4.00–6.00am** Monkey Life (S) (AD)

Universal TV

Sky 113 **Virgin** 122 **BT** 320 **HD** **Virgin** 121 **BT** 385

8.00am Numb3rs (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Sea Patrol (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** Private Eyes (S) (HD) **11.00** NCIS (S) (HD) **1.00pm** CSI: Miami (S) (HD) **3.00** Law & Order (S) (HD) **5.00** NCIS: four episodes (S) (HD) **9.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit: four episodes. A member of a feminist group is killed **10.00** A homeless woman with a dual personality is attacked **11.00** A family is murdered while sleeping **12 midnight** The team investigates an attack on a waitress (S) (AD) (HD) **1.00am** CSI: Miami (S) (HD) **2.00** Private Eyes (S) (HD) **3.00** Sea Patrol (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Numb3rs (S) (AD) (HD)

Universal TV +1 **Sky** 213 **Virgin** 206



Gavin & Stacey *9.00pm* Pete and Dawn renew their vows

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Sky 109 **Virgin** 125 **BT** 311 **HD** **Virgin** 211 **BT** 383

6.10am Doctor Who (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Dynamo: Magician Impossible (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** The Bill (S) (HD) **11.00** Inside the Ambulance at Christmas (S) (HD) **4.00pm** Inside the Ambulance (S) (HD)

6.00pm Inside the Ambulance Gaz offers some much-needed support to a mother whose toddler is suffering convulsions. **7.00** A young man suffers a seizure and a police officer is involved in a car accident. **8.00** A young motorcyclist needs treatment, and a baby's high heart rate is causing concern. (S) (HD)

9.00 Gavin & Stacey Everyone heads to Essex to celebrate as Pete and Dawn renew their wedding vows. **9.40** The Essex contingent decamps to the beach on a sunny Bank Holiday Monday. **10.20** Nessa and Dave's wedding is approaching and preparations for it are in full swing. (S) (AD) (HD)

11.00 Inside the Ambulance As the new year starts, Simon and Fiona are called to a pregnant woman who is bleeding. (S) (HD) **12 midnight** One Born Every Minute Specials (S) (HD) **1.00am** Educating Yorkshire (S) (HD) **1.50–3.00am** Great Ormond Street (S) (HD)

W +1 **Sky** 209 **Virgin** 190

Syfy

Sky 114 **Virgin** 138 **BT** 319 **HD** **Virgin** 137 **BT** 375

6.00am FILM San Andreas: Mega Eruption ★★ **8.00** Home Shopping **11.00 FILM** 2012: Ice Age ★★ **1.00pm FILM** My Pet Dinosaur ★★★ **3.00 FILM** Upside Down ★★ **5.10 FILM** The Librarian: the Curse of the Judas Chalice ★★ **7.00pm FILM** 13 Going on 30 ★★★ Romantic comedy fantasy starring Jennifer Garner and Mark Ruffalo **9.00 FILM** Serenity ★★★★ Sci-fi action adventure continuation of TV series *Firefly* **11.30** Done the Impossible: the Fans' Tale of Firefly and Serenity **1.20am FILM** Final Recall ★★ **3.20** Future Man **4.00–6.00am FILM** 2012: Ice Age ★★ Disaster movie

Syfy +1 **Sky** 214 **Virgin** 229

TLC

Sky 133 **Virgin** 167 **BT** 323 **HD** **BT** 377

6.00am Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **8.00** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress: Big Bliss (HD) **12 noon** Curvy Brides Boutique (HD) **8.00pm** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (AD) (HD) **9.00** Say Yes to the Dress: Rebekah, who has a prosthetic arm, seeks Randy's help to find her dream dress (HD) **10.00** Say Yes to the Dress: Atlanta: Britt has found love and needs a dress fast (HD) **11.00** Dr Pimple Popper (HD) **12 midnight** Say Yes to the Dress: UK (AD) (HD) **1.00am** Say Yes to the Dress (HD) **2.00** Say Yes to the Dress: Atlanta (HD) **3.00** Dr Pimple Popper (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Curvy Brides Boutique (HD)

TLC +1 **Sky** 233 **Virgin** 172



Mrs Brown's Boys *10.20pm* Agnes has money worries

Gold

Sky 110 **Virgin** 124 **BT** 310

7.00am A Sharp Intake of Breath **7.25** Steptoe and Son (S) **8.40** The Story of Only Fools and Horses (S) (AD) (HD) **9.45** Only Fools and Horses: six episodes (S) (AD)

6.20pm Only Fools and Horses Del gets some bad news from the council, but is cheered by news of a fancy-dress party. Is it finally time for the Trotters to be heroes? **7.40** Del puts a self-help book into practice and the Trotters' cash flow sinks to an all-time low. **9.00** An old watch promises to hold the key to the Trotters' fortunes at last, but there's a nasty shock in store. (S) (AD)

10.20 Mrs Brown's Boys The family are still waiting for the insurance money after faking grandad's death, but will one of them give the game away? (S) (HD) **11.00** Agnes is shocked to hear about Winnie's amorous antics, while Buster and Dermot get mixed up with a circus lion. (S) (HD)

11.40 The League of Gentlemen Royston Vasey faces a threat more terrible than anything it has tackled before. (HD) **12.20am** The Mighty Boosh (S) (AD) **1.00** The League of Gentlemen (HD) **1.40** Spaced (S) (AD) **2.40–4.00am** Harry Hill's TV Burp

Gold +1 **Sky** 210 **Virgin** 194

Comedy Central

Sky 112 **Virgin** 132 **BT** 307 **HD** **Virgin** 181 **BT** 370

8.00am Most Ridiculous: Parties (S) (HD) **8.35** Impractical Jokers (S) (HD) **11.30** Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00pm** Most Ridiculous: On Vacation (S) (HD) **4.30** Most Ridiculous: Pets (S) (HD) **5.00** Most Ridiculous: Fashion Crimes (S) (HD) **5.30** Friends (S) (AD) (HD) **9.00** Peter Kay at the Comedy Store (S) (HD) **9.30 FILM** Mean Machine ★★★ Prison sports comedy based on the 1974 Burt Reynolds film, starring Vinnie Jones as disgraced footballer Danny Meehan (HD) **11.40** South Park (S) (HD) **3.25am** Michael McIntyre: Live and Laughing (S) (HD) **4.15** Most Ridiculous – Gadgets (S) (HD) **4.35–5.00am** as 5pm

Comedy Central +1 **Sky** 212 **Virgin** 133

Lifetime

Sky 187 **Virgin** 208 **BT** 329 **HD** **BT** 384

7.00am Judge Judy (HD) **1.00pm** Pawn Stars (HD) **2.00** Judge Judy (HD) **5.00** Pawn Stars (HD) **6.00pm** Judge Judy (HD) **9.00** The Price of Duty: a serial rapist terrorises Atlanta for more than a decade (HD) **10.00** Storage Wars: double bill. An LA auction brings more competition than the buyers were expecting, then Ivy finds a way to lighten the mood in the hot California sun (HD) **11.00** Hardcore Pawn: double bill. Seth ignores Ashley's wishes, then Les reconsiders his choice of manager (HD) **12 midnight** Pawn Stars (HD) **1.00am** The Price of Duty (HD) **2.00** Storage Wars (HD) **3.00–4.00am** Hardcore Pawn (HD)

ALL PROGRAMMES ON THE ABOVE CHANNELS ARE REPEATS UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

Key (S) Subtitles (SL) Signing (AD) Audio description (HD) High definition (W) Widescreen



Doctor Blake Mysteries *9.00pm* Tragedy strikes

Alibi

Sky 132 **Virgin** 126 **BT** 312 **HD** **Virgin** 212 **BT** 382

7.10am Murdoch Mysteries (S) (HD) **9.00** The Coroner (S) (AD) (HD) **10.00** Father Brown (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Unforgettable (S) (HD) **1.00pm** The Coroner (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00** Father Brown (S) (HD) **3.00** The Doctor Blake Mysteries (S) (HD) **5.00** Murdoch Mysteries (S) (HD)

6.00pm Murdoch Mysteries *16/18 Series 12.* A series of murders may be inspired by Murdoch and Ogden's book. (S) (HD)

7.00 Unforgettable *7/13 Series 3* One of Elliot's oldest friends is killed after a charity event. (S) (HD) **8.00** *8/13 Series 3.* An investigation leads to an off-grid community on an abandoned island near Manhattan. (S) (HD)

9.00 Doctor Blake Mysteries As the doctor and Jean prepare for their forthcoming wedding, tragedy strikes one of Ballarat's most prominent families. (S) (HD)

11.30 Death in Paradise *4/22 Series 4.* DI Goodman tries to unravel what happened after a bride-to-be is killed while out on her party. (S) (AD) (HD)

12.55am Death in Paradise (S) (AD) (HD) **1.10** Motive (HD) **2.00** Harrow (S) (HD) **2.50–4.00am** Motive: a British politician's son is killed (S) (HD)

Alibi +1 **Sky** 232 **Virgin** 191

Discovery History

Sky 171 **Virgin** 257

8.00am Nazis on Drugs **9.00** Nazi Death Ray **10.00** Nazi UFO Conspiracy (AD) **11.00** Nazi Cavemen **12 noon** Hitler's Gold **1.00pm** Nazis on Drugs **2.00** Nazi Death Ray **3.00** Nazi UFO Conspiracy (AD) **4.00** Nazi Cavemen **5.00** Hitler's Gold

6.00pm Nazis on Drugs Making use of declassified reports that suggest the Nazi war machine may have been fuelled by an insatiable narcotics habit.

7.00 Nazi Death Ray Rumours that Nazi Germany was researching technology capable of taking the Third Reich into space.

8.00 Unsolved History Events that led to the sinking of German ship the *Wilhelm Gustloff* on 31 January 1945, resulting in the deaths of more than 9,000 people. **9.00** An investigation into an ancient spearhead said to have been used to pierce the side of Christ at the Crucifixion.

10.00 The Nazi Messiah How psychotic episodes in his early life convinced Adolf Hitler he was a pharaoh, arming him with the self-belief to control the Nazi party.

11.00 Unsolved History An attempt to kill Hitler in July 1944.

12 midnight Unsolved History **2.00am** The Nazi Messiah **3.00** Hitler's Gold **4.00** Nazis on Drugs **5.00–6.00am** Nazi Death Ray

Discovery History +1 **Sky** 271 **Virgin** 261



NCIS *9.00pm* Kasie and Jimmy sift the evidence

Fox

Sky 124 **Virgin** 157 **HD** **Virgin** 199

8.00am Bull (HD) **9.00** Bones (HD) **10.00** Bull (HD) **11.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** Bones (HD) **2.00pm** The Mentalist (HD) **3.00** NCIS (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Bull (HD) **5.00** Bones (HD)

6.00pm The Mentalist *7/22 Series 5.* TV news journalist Cassie Flood is murdered at a mountainside beauty spot. (HD)

7.00 NCIS: New Orleans *9/24 Series 4.* Pride second-guesses evidence suggesting homeless kids are the suspects in the murder of a petty officer. (HD) **8.00** *10/24.* The team rehashes the Clearwater case in the hope of locating his mystery partner. (HD)

9.00 ***New series.*** **NCIS** *Ep 1 Series 17.* After Ziva informs Gibbs that his life is in danger, they are forced to go on the run to locate the person they think is responsible. (S) (AD) (HD)

10.00 The Fix *5/10.* The district attorney's office makes everyone take a lie-detector test. (HD)

11.00 American Dad! *Series 15* A break-in rattles Francine. (HD) **11.30** Jeff becomes a star dog-racing coach. (HD)

12 midnight Family Guy **1.00am** American Dad! (HD) **2.00** Family Guy **4.00–5.00am** Bull (HD)

Fox +1 **Sky** 224 **Virgin** 158

History

Sky 130 **Virgin** 270 **BT** 327 **HD** **BT** 379

6.00am Pawn Stars (HD) **10.00** The Secret History of the White House (HD) **11.00** The Secret History of Air Force One (HD) **12 noon** 9/11 inside Air Force One (HD) **2.00pm** American Pickers (HD) **7.00** Forged in Fire: a dangerous slip-up reminds the contestants not to play with sharp objects as they make knives from old toys and re-create an iconic American blade (HD) **8.00** MysteryQuest: experts explore two theories about the Jack the Ripper's identity (HD) **9.00** ***New.*** Curse of Oak Top: a closer look at some of the wildest and most incredible theories ever born out of Oak Island's mysteries (HD) **11.00** Pawn Stars (HD) **12 midnight** JFK Assassination: the Definitive Guide (HD) **2.00am** MysteryQuest (HD) **3.00–6.00am** American Pickers (HD)

History +1 **Sky** 230 **Virgin** 271

Animal Planet

Sky 162 **Virgin** 251 **BT** 325 **HD** **BT** 378

6.00am Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **8.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (S) (HD) **10.00** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **11.00** Animal Cops Philadelphia (S) (HD) **1.00pm** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **3.00** My Cat from Hell (S) (AD) (HD) **4.00** Alaska: the Last Frontier (S) (HD) **5.00** Swimming with Monsters (S) (HD) **6.00** Bondi Vet (S) (HD) **7.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (AD) **8.00** ***New.*** Pit Bulls and Parolees (HD) **9.00** ***New.*** Amanda to the Rescue (HD) **10.00** Animal Cops Houston (S) (AD) (HD) **11.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (S) (HD) **1.00am** Animal Cops Houston (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00** Pit Bulls and Parolees (HD) **3.00** Alaska: the Last Frontier (S) (HD) **3.50** Shark Attack Files (S) **4.40** Orangutan Island (S) (HD) **5.10–6.00am** Tanked: Unfiltered (S) (HD)

Animal Planet +1 **Sky** 262 **Virgin** 259



Code of the Wild *9.00pm* Chris and Casey Keefer

Discovery

Sky 125 **Virgin** 250 **BT** 322 **HD** **BT** 376

6.00am Combat Dealers (S) (AD) (HD) **7.00** Ed Stafford: First Man Out (S) (AD) (HD) **8.00** Supertruckers (S) (HD) **9.00** Mighty Ships (S) (HD) **10.00** UFOs: the Lost Evidence (S) (HD) **11.00** Fast 'n' Loud Revved Up (S) (AD) (HD) **12 noon** Gold Rush (S) (HD) **1.00pm** Alaska: the Last Frontier (S) (HD) **2.00** UFOs: the Lost Evidence (S) (HD) **3.00** Yukon Men (S) (HD) **4.00** Kindig Customs (S) (HD) **5.00** Diesel Brothers (S) (HD)

6.00pm Fast 'n' Loud A 1932 Ford Coupé project. (S) (HD)

7.00 Supertruckers Tom leads a convoy of giant trucks. (S) (HD)

8.00 Gold Rush Following the gold miners of the Yukon. (HD)

9.00 ***New series.*** **Code of the Wild** Chris and Casey Keefer probe the world's hidden mysteries. (HD)

10.00 UFOs: the Lost Evidence How much have US presidents really known about UFOs? (S) (HD)

11.00 NASA's Unexplained Files Could alien life forms be to blame for some bright lights? (S) (AD) (HD)

12 midnight Code of the Wild (HD) **1.00am** UFOs: the Lost Evidence (S) (HD) **2.00** Street Outlaws: Memphis (HD) **3.00** Code of the Wild (HD) **3.50** Kindig Customs (S) (HD) **5.30–6.00am** How It's Made (S) (HD)

Discovery +1 **Sky** 225 **Virgin** 258

Nat Geographic

Sky 129 **Virgin** 266 **BT** 317 **HD** **Virgin** 268 **BT** 373

8.00am Superstructures: Engineering Marvels (HD) **9.00** Supercar Megabuild (HD) **10.00** Strippers: Cars for Cash (HD) **11.00** Air Crash Investigation (HD) **1.00pm** Nazi Megastructures (S) (AD) (HD) **2.00** WW2: Hell under the Sea (HD) **3.00** Drain the Titanic (HD) **4.00** Car SOS (HD) **6.00** Air Crash Investigation (HD) **7.00** ***New.*** China's Vision of the Future: how China is using the internet to meet the needs of its population (HD) **8.00** UFOs: the Untold Stories: the UK's first criminal investigation into an alleged sighting (HD) **9.00** Chasing UFOs (HD) **10.00** UFO: Alien Invasion (HD) **11.00** Air Crash Investigation (HD) **12 midnight** Banged Up Abroad (HD) **2.00am** America's Hardest Prisons (HD) **3.00** Ice Road Rescue (HD) **4.00–5.00am** Wicked Tuna (HD)

Nat Geo +1 **Sky** 229 **Virgin** 267

Eden

Sky 166 **Virgin** 245 **BT** 315 **HD** **Virgin** 247 **BT** 389

9.00am South Pacific: as 3–9pm **3.00pm** South Pacific: six editions ***1/6*** The region's islands, home to a vast array of wildlife and human inhabitants who often have to contend with extreme weather. **4.00** *2/6.* The story of how the 20,000 islands in the region became colonised by humans and animals **5.00** *3/6.* An exploration of the marine wildlife of the region **6.00** *4/6.* The effects of the eruption of volcanos in the ocean **7.00** *5/6.* The struggle for survival among creatures inhabiting the region's islands **8.00** *6/6.* Following efforts to preserve the marine life of the region (AD) (HD) **9.00** South Pacific: as 3–9pm **3.00am** South Pacific (AD) (HD) **5.35–6.00am** Jungle Planet (HD)

Eden +1 **Sky** 266 **Virgin** 246



The Real White Queen and Her Rivals Philippa Gregory *8.45pm*

PBS America 91

F'view (HD only) 91 **F'sat** 155 **Sky** 174 **Virgin** 273

8.00am The Aviators **8.35** Henry VIII: Mind of a Tyrant **1.00pm** Genghis Khan **2.05** Philippa Gregory's The Real White Queen and Her Rivals **4.20** Henry VIII: Mind of a Tyrant: two editions

6.35pm Henry VIII: Mind of a Tyrant The Tudor king's relationship with Anne Boleyn, and the impact it had on religion and the English monarchy. **7.40** How the king forged a fiercely independent England whose naval power created a new sense of national destiny.

8.45 Philippa Gregory's The Real White Queen and Her Rivals *1/2.* The author examines the stories of the three women who inspired her series of novels called *The Cousins' War* and a subsequent BBC adaptation. **9.55** *2/2.* Philippa Gregory looks at the influence Elizabeth Woodville, Anne Neville and Margaret Beaufort had on the monarchy.

11.00 Genghis Khan A profile of the Asian conqueror, suggesting it was his ability as a statesman and ruler that propelled him into the history books as one of the greatest military leaders.

12.10–2.00am Made in America: Crips and Bloods: gangs in LA

PBS +1 **Freeview** 93 (HD only)

Smithsonian 99

F'view (HD only) 99 **F'sat** 175 **Sky** 195 **Virgin** 276

6.00am Mystic Britain (HD) **10.00** Air Warriors (HD) **11.00** Ultimate Warships (HD) **12 noon** Air Warriors (HD) **5.00pm** America's Stealth Bomber (HD) **6.00** Ultimate Warships (HD) **7.00** Deborah Harry's Blondie: the story of the album *Parallel Lines* (HD) **8.00** ***New.*** Aerial America: an aerial tour of New York City, spanning the city's five boroughs (HD) **9.00** America's Hidden Stories: discoveries about the first successful English settlement at Jamestown (HD) **10.00** Pocahontas: the True Story: the story of the native American princess (HD) **11.00** Aerial America (HD) **12 midnight** America's Hidden Stories (HD) **1.00am** Pocahontas: the True Story (HD) **2.00** Aerial America (HD) **3.00** America's Hidden Stories (HD) **4.00** Pocahontas: the True Story (HD) **5.00–6.00am** America's Stealth Bomber (HD)

Sony Crime

Freesat 143 **Sky** 179 **Virgin** 193

6.00am Speeders **7.00** Bait Car **8.30** Bait Car: LA **9.00** Speeders **11.00** Bait Car **12.30pm** Bait Car: LA **1.00** Speeders **6.00** Speeders: six further editions. A waitress offers an officer the worst bribe ever **6.30** A speeder reveals that he's also an unrepentant cheater **7.00** A DUI driver in New Jersey plays chicken with an oncoming train **7.30** Officer Rudy pulls over a driver who smells of marijuana **8.00** as 6pm **8.30** as 6.30pm **9.00** Bait Car: revealing how the police catch car thieves in the act by arranging bait vehicles equipped with tracking devices and hidden cameras **10.30** Bait Car: LA **11.00** Speeders **12 midnight** Bait Car: New Orleans **1.00am** Speeders **3.00** Bait Car **4.00** Speeders **5.00–6.00am** Bait Car: New Orleans

CHILDREN'S

Milkshake! on C5

Full listings for Channel 5 are on p242

6.00am Peppa Pig **6.20** Ben and Holly **6.35** Noddy: Toyland Detective **6.45** Fireman Sam **6.55** Thomas & Friends: double bill **7.20** Peppa Pig: double bill **7.40** Paw Patrol **8.05** Floogals **8.20** Becca's Bunch: Moms and Pops promise the Bunch a treat for picking Benny and Shelly up from a playdate **8.40** Little Princess: a big box arrives at the castle **9.00** Pirata & Capitano: a rival pirate wins the Pink Skull **9.05–9.15am** Peppa Pig

CBeebies 202

Freeview 202 **Freesat** 608 **Sky** 614 **Virgin** 702

6.00am Something Special: We're All Friends **6.20** Baby Jake **6.35** Twirlywoos **6.45** Raa Raa the Noisy Lion **6.55** Numberblocks **7.05** Bing: double bill **7.20** Hey Duggee: double bill **7.35** Bitz & Bob **7.45** Peter Rabbit **8.00** Go Jetters **8.10** Octonauts **8.20** Biggleton **8.35** Justin's House **9.00** A Midsummer Night's Dream **9.50** Something Special: We're All Friends **10.10** Teletubbies **10.25** The Baby Club **10.40** Hey Duggee **10.45** Mister Maker's Arty Party **11.05** Pablo **11.20** Ferne and Rory's Vet Tales **11.35** School of Roars **11.40** My First **11.50** Tinga Tinga Tales: animated African folk tales **12.05pm** My World Kitchen **12.15** Old Jack's Boat: Rockpool Tales; Small Potatoes **12.30** Katie Morag **12.50** Melody **1.00** Biggleton **1.10** Timmy Time **1.15** Yakka Dee! **1.20** Numberblocks **1.25** Bing **1.35** Twirlywoos **1.45** Something Special: We're All Friends **2.10** Teletubbies **2.20** The Baby Club **2.35** Pablo **2.50** Our Family **3.00** Andy's Prehistoric Adventures **3.15** Swashbuckle **3.40** Hey Duggee **3.45** Tinpo **3.55** Messy Goes to OKIDO **4.10** My First **4.20** Grace's Amazing Machines **4.35** Peter Rabbit: adventures with the animal and his friends **4.50** Go Jetters **5.00** CBeebies Goldilocks and the Three Bears **5.45** Moon and Me **6.10** Clangers **6.20** In the Night Garden… **6.50–7.00pm** RT **CHOICE** ***New.*** CBeebies Bedtime Stories A tale is read for younger viewers before they go to bed. **See page 239**

CBBC 201

Freeview 201 **Freesat** 607 **Sky** 613 **Virgin** 701

7.00am Arthur **7.15** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **7.25** Danger Mouse **7.35** OOglies **7.50** Diddy TV **8.10** Class Dismissed **8.25** Grandpa's Great Escape **9.30** Odd Squad **9.45** Top Class **10.15** A Week to Beat the World **10.50** Secret Life of Boys **2.15pm** All Over the Place: UK **2.45** Class Dismissed **3.10** The Deep **3.35** Dennis & Gnasher Unleashed! **3.45** Scream Street **3.55** Show Me What You're Made Of: UK **4.30** Top Class **5.00** Dumping Ground Island **5.30** Matilda and the Ramsay Bunch **5.45** Puss in Boots: the Three Diablos **6.00** Dragons: Race to the Edge **6.25** Operation Ouch! **6.50** Mr Stink: Lonely 12-year-old Chloe invites local tramp Mr Stink to hide out in her family's garden shed **7.50** Nikki Lilly Meets **8.00** Matilda and the Ramsay Bunch **8.15** Class Dismissed **8.30–9.00am** So Awkward

CITV 203

Freeview 203 **Freesat** 602 **Sky** 621 **Virgin** 734

6.00am Dino Dana **6.25** Super 4 **6.55** Dare Master **7.00** The Powerpuff Girls **7.55** Hotel Transylvania **8.20** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **8.55** Mr Magoo **9.55** Mr Bean: the Animated Series: four editions **10.55** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **11.55** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud: it's the biggest sporting event in Grimsby – the bog roll roll **12.25pm** Dare Master **12.30** Mr Magoo **1.30** Hotel Transylvania **2.30** Kung Fu Panda: The Paws of Destiny **3.00** Mr Magoo **4.00** Mr Bean: the Animated Series **5.00** The Rubbish World of Dave Spud **5.30** ***New.*** Pokémon **6.20** Scooby-Doo! Mystery Incorporated **7.10** Mr Magoo **7.30** Hotel Transylvania **8.00** Spy School **8.55–9.00pm** Dare Master

FRIDAY Films & Sport

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Trouble comes in threes

P Instant Family ★★★ *8.00pm* ***Sky Premiere***

Mark Wahlberg flexes his comedy chops rather than his muscles in a comedy that stems from the real-life adoption experiences of its director, Sean Anders. Wahlberg and Rose Byrne play a busy-bee married couple who decide to foster. But instead of the one kid they'd planned on, they wind up with three Hispanic siblings, including Isabela Moner's rebellious teenager. The film may prove too predictable and saccharine for some, but its warm heart will make it a feel-good treat for others. **DAVE ALDRIDGE**



Given a week to live

Calvary ★★★★ ***BBC iPlayer*** **FREE TO VIEW**

The Guard writer/director John Michael McDonagh reteamed with Brendan Gleeson for this soulful, thought-provoking and warmly human fable. Gleeson plays a "good priest" in an Irish village who is given a week to live by a vengeful mystery parishioner in the confessional booth. McDonagh's strange brew of comedy, tragedy and melodrama shouldn't work but does, with Gleeson leading a fine cast that also includes *Britannia* star Kelly Reilly, Chris O'Dowd and Gleeson's son, Domhnall. **LUCY BARRICK**

Back on Netflix

La La Land ★★★★★

Netflix



If ever there was a movie to banish the blues, it's Damien Chazelle's *La La Land*. Emma Stone and Ryan Gosling play the antagonists turned lovers in a musical that feels modern and fresh while paying tribute to the greats of old. A dizzying whirlwind of romance and sorrow, this is cinema to make you swoon. **EMMA SIMMONDS**

FREEVIEW

Film4 14

F'view 14 **F'sat** 300 **Sky** 313 **Virgin** 428 **HD** **Virgin** 429

11.00am SpongeBob SquarePants: the Movie ★★★★ Colourful, zany comedy. **Children's choice: p239.** Tom Kenny (2004, U) (S)

12.50pm Kubo and the Two Strings ★★★★★ Visually stunning, richly imagined animated fantasy. Charlize Theron (2016, PG) (S)

2.55 Flushed Away ★★★ A posh mouse is flushed into a rodent metropolis in this witty animated adventure. Hugh Jackman (2006, U) (S) (AD)

4.40pm Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters ★★ Logan Lerman's demigod hero goes in search of the Golden Fleece in this fantasy sequel. Alexandra Daddario (2013, PG)

6.50 Project Almanac ★★★ Well paced time-travel adventure. Jonny Weston (2014, 12) (S) (AD)

9.00 Transformers: the Last Knight ★★★ Merlin's staff is the key to stopping the Decepticons in this dazzling instalment in the sci-fi series. Mark Wahlberg (2017, 12) (S) (AD)

12.05am Assault on Precinct 13 ★★★★★ Terrifically tense thriller about a Los Angeles police station under siege. Austin Stoker (1976, 15) (S)

1.55–3.50am Killing Them Softly ★★★ Well-executed crime thriller. Brad Pitt (2012, 18) (S)

Film4 +1 **F'view** 45 **F'sat** 301 **Sky** 314 **Virgin** 430

Sony Movies 32

Freeview 32 **Freesat** 302 **Sky** 321 **Virgin** 425

9.00am The Little Vampire ★★★ Fantasy. Jonathan Lipnicki (2000, U) **10.55 Vice Versa ★★★** Comedy. Judge Reinhold (1988, PG) **1.00pm RV: Runaway Vacation ★★** Comedy. Robin Williams, Jeff Daniels (2006, PG) **3.00 Paul Blart: Mall Cop 2 ★★** Comedy. Kevin James (2015, PG) **4.55 I Spy ★★** Spy comedy. Eddie Murphy, Owen Wilson (2002, 12)

6.50pm Bulletproof Monk ★ Fantasy adventure. Chow Yun-Fat, Seann William Scott (2002, 12)

9.00 The Expendables ★★ Action adventure. Sylvester Stallone, Jason Statham (2010, 18)

11.05 The Mercenary: Absolution ★★ Shoot-em-up. Steven Seagal, Byron Mann (2015, 18)

1.00am Jarhead ★★★ War drama. Jake Gyllenhaal (2005, 15) **3.30–5.50am Short Circuit 2 ★★** Fantasy. Fisher Stevens (1988, PG)

Sony Movies +1 **F'view** 60 (*limited* 10pm-5am) **Sky** 322

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F'view 40 *(limited)* **F'sat** 305 **Sky** 323 **Virgin** 426

6.00am Santana Kills Them All ★★ Western. Johnny Garko (1970) **7.45** The Blitz on Cologne **9.00** The Hindenburg Disaster **10.00** Titanic: Secrets Revealed **12 noon** M*A*S*H **1.00pm The Last Days of Frank and Jesse James ★★★** Western. Johnny Cash (1986, 15) **3.05 Wild Wind ★★** Drama. George Montgomery (1985) **4.50 Appointment in London ★★** Second World War drama. Dirk Bogarde (1952, U)

6.45pm Loophole ★★ Heist caper. Albert Finney, Martin Sheen, Susannah York, Martin Sheen (1980, PG)

9.00 The Order ★★ Horror thriller. Heath Ledger, Shannyn Sossamon, Benno Fürmann, Mark Addy (2002, 15)

10.50 The Mercenary: Absolution ★★ Mindless shoot-em-up. Steven Seagal (2015, 18)

12.45am Cartel War ★★ Action thriller. Jack Lucarelli (2010, 15) **2.35–4.00am Runaway ★★** Crime drama. Sherry Stringfield (2014)

Sony Action +1 **Sky** 324

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Freeview 81 **Freesat** 306 **Sky** 328 **Virgin** 445

6.00am Fort Algiers ★★ Adventure. (1953, PG) (S) **7.35 The Spaniard's Curse ★★** Mystery. (1958, U) **9.05 Don't Panic Chaps ★★** Comedy. (1959, U) **11.00** June Allyson **11.30 Sky West and Crooked ★★★** Drama. Hayley Mills (1965, PG) **2.00pm** Rooms **2.30 Cage of Gold ★★** Drama. Jean Simmons (1950, PG) **4.10 Trent's Last Case ★★★** Mystery. **Review, p94.** Margaret Lockwood (1952, U) **5.55 Murder on the Campus ★★** Crime drama. Terence Longden (1961, PG)

7.05pm No Highway in the Sky ★★★ Very watchable thriller. James Stewart (1951, PG) (S) **9.00 Hazell** TV crime drama. **10.00 The Day After ★★★** Solid, sober drama. Jason Robards, JoBeth Williams (1983, 12)

12.40am The Last Valley ★★★★ Drama. Michael Caine (1971, 15) **3.10 Shoot to Kill ★★★** Film noir. Russell Wade (1947) (S) **4.20–6.00am Lost in the Desert ★★★** Drama. (1969, U)

Premiere

Sky 301 **Virgin** 401 **BT** 501

6.00am As 2pm **8.15** As 4.15pm **9.45** As 5.45pm **12 noon** As 8pm **2.00pm Mary Poppins Returns ★★★** Musical fantasy. **Choice, p156.** Emily Blunt, Lin-Manuel Miranda, Ben Whishaw (2018, U) **4.15 Wonder Park ★★** Animated fantasy adventure. Brianna Denski, Jennifer Garner, Mila Kunis (2019, PG)

5.45pm Shazam! ★★★★ Laugh-packed superhero yarn about a teenager who is given special powers. **Choice, p226.** Zachary Levi, Mark Strong, Asher Angel (2019, 12)

8.00 P Instant Family ★★★ Predictable but fun foster-kid comedy. **Choice, left.** Mark Wahlberg, Rose Byrne, Isabela Moner, Gustavo Quiroz (2018, 12)

10.10 What Men Want ★★★ Gender-swapping comedy. **Choice, p196.** Taraji P Henson (2019, 15)

12.15am The Aftermath ★★★ Drama. **Choice, p216.** (2019, 15) **2.20 Greta ★★★** Thriller. **Choice, p206.** (2018, 15) **4.15 The Kid Who Would Be King ★★★ Choice, p176.** (2018, PG)

Premiere +1 **Sky** 312 **Virgin** 412

Hits

Sky 303 **Virgin** 403 **BT** 503

6.00am As 4.25pm **7.45** As 6.10pm **9.40 Solo: a Star Wars Story ★★★★** Sci-fi adventure. Alden Ehrenreich, Donald Glover, Emilia Clarke (2018, 12) **12 noon** As 8pm **2.00pm Maze Runner: the Death Cure ★★★** Action-packed conclusion to the sci-fi trilogy. Dylan O'Brien (2018, 12)

4.25pm The Lego Movie ★★★★ Awesomely imaginative animated comedy adventure. Chris Pratt, Will Ferrell, Elizabeth Banks, Liam Neeson (2014, U)

6.10 The Lego Movie 2: the Second Part ★★★★ Ever-inventive animated sequel. **Choice, p138.** Chris Pratt, Elizabeth Banks, Will Arnett, Tiffany Haddish, Stephanie Beatriz (2019, U)

8.00 Bumblebee ★★★ This *Transformers* spin-off boasts fun-filled high jinks. Hailee Steinfeld (2018, 12A)

10.00pm Wanted ★★★ Adventure. James McAvoy (2008, 18) **12 midnight The 40 Year Old Virgin ★★★** Comedy. (2005, 15) **2.00am Father Figures ★★** Comedy. (2017, 15) **4.00 A Wrinkle in Time ★★** Fantasy. (2018, PG)

Action

Sky 307 **Virgin** 407 **BT** 507

6.30am The Patriot As 6pm **9.30 Braveheart** As 9pm **12.30pm Mad Max ★★★★★** Futuristic adventure. Mel Gibson (1979, 18) **2.15 Mad Max 2 ★★★★** The rogue ex-cop comes to the aid of a community threatened by voracious gangs. Mel Gibson, Bruce Spence, Vernon Wells (1981, 18)

4.00pm Mad Max beyond Thunderdome ★★★ The ex-cop leads a lost tribe out of the wilderness. Mel Gibson, Tina Turner (1985, 15)

6.00 The Patriot ★★★ A South Carolina farmer rallies against the British during the American War of Independence. Mel Gibson (2000, 15)

9.00 Braveheart ★★★★ Mel Gibson is in fiery-eyed heroic mode as 13th-century Scottish patriot William Wallace. (1995, 15)

12 midnight Mad Max As 12.30pm **1.45am Mad Max 2** As 2.15pm **3.30 Mad Max beyond Thunderdome** As 4pm **5.30** Aquaman Special

Superheroes

Sky 302 **Virgin** 402 **BT** 502

7.00am Iron Man As 12.30am **9.10 The Incredible Hulk ★★★★** Adventure. Edward Norton (2008, 12) **11.05 Iron Man 2 ★★★** Fantasy. (2010, 12) **1.15pm Thor ★★★** Adventure. Chris Hemsworth (2011, 12) **3.15 Captain America: the First Avenger ★★★** Adventure. Chris Evans (2011, 12)

5.30pm Thor: the Dark World ★★★★ The thunder god is forced to ally himself with trickster sibling Loki. Chris Hemsworth, Natalie Portman (2013, 12)

7.30 Avengers: Age of Ultron ★★★★ Marvel's big-hitting superheroes reassemble. Robert Downey Jr, Chris Hemsworth, Mark Ruffalo (2015, 12)

10.00 Black Panther ★★★★ Chadwick Boseman roars into action as the ruler of the kingdom of Wakanda. Andy Serkis (2018, 12)

12.30am Iron Man ★★★★ Robert Downey Jr stars as the playboy who turns over a new leaf. (2008, 12) **2.45 The Incredible Hulk** As 9.10am **4.45** Lego Batman: the Movie – DC Super Heroes Unite

Drama

Sky 304 **Virgin** 410 **BT** 510

6.00am Being Rose As 3.10pm **7.30 The Old Man & the Gun** As 4.40pm **9.10 Flight ★★★** Thriller. Denzel Washington, Don Cheadle (2012, 15) **11.30** As 8pm **1.40pm Katie Says Goodbye ★★★** Drama. Olivia Cooke (2016, 15) **3.10 Being Rose ★★★** Drama. Cybill Shepherd, James Brolin (2017)

4.40pm The Old Man & the Gun ★★★★★ Robert Redford plays an elderly criminal making his way across 1980s America. Casey Affleck, Sissy Spacek, Danny Glover (2018, 12)

6.20 Summer Night ★★★ Engaging coming-of-age drama. Ellar Coltrane, Ian Nelson, Analeigh Tipton (2019, 15)

8.00 Philadelphia ★★★★★ Tom Hanks plays a gay lawyer who takes his employers to court when he is sacked. Denzel Washington (1993, 12)

10.10pm Blood Diamond ★★★ Action thriller. Leonardo DiCaprio, Djimon Hounsou, Jennifer Connelly (2006, 15) **12.35am** As 9.10am **2.55** As 6.20pm **4.30 Sabrina ★★★★★** Romantic comedy. Humphrey Bogart, Audrey Hepburn (1954, U)

Musicals

Sky 308 **Virgin** 404 **BT** 504

6.30am As 9pm **8.50** As 6.45pm **11.05** Frozen Fever **11.20 Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs ★★★★★** Fantasy. Adriana Caselotti (1937, U) **12.50pm Sister Act ★★★★** Comedy. Whoopi Goldberg (1992, PG) **2.35 Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit ★★★** Comedy. Whoopi Goldberg (1993, PG)

4.25pm Mary Poppins ★★★★★ Two children find their lives transformed by a magical new nanny. Julie Andrews, Dick Van Dyke (1964, U)

6.45 Mary Poppins Returns ★★★ Emily Blunt is pitch perfect as the nanny in this fun sequel. **Choice, p156.** Lin-Manuel Miranda (2018, U)

9.00 Bohemian Rhapsody ★★★ Rocking biopic of the band Queen. **Choice, p186.** Rami Malek, Lucy Boynton, Gwilym Lee, Ben Hardy (2018, 12)

11.20pm A Star Is Born ★★★★ Tragic showbiz romance. Lady Gaga, Bradley Cooper (2018, 15) **1.40am Anna and the Apocalypse ★★★** Comedy horror. Ella Hunt, Malcolm Cumming (2017, 15) **3.25** Cats Special **4.25** As 11.20am

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Disney

Sky 305 **Virgin** 405 **BT** 505

6.35am As 12.55pm **8.15** As 6pm **10.15 Tinker Bell** ★★★ (2008, U) **11.35 Tinker Bell and the Great Fairy Rescue** ★★★ Fantasy. (2010, U) **12.55pm Bolt** ★★★★ Comedy. (2008, PG) **2.35 Planes** ★★★ Adventure. (2013, U) **4.10 Big Hero 6** ★★★★ Adventure. Scott Adsit (2014, PG)

6.00pm Ralph Breaks the Internet ★★★★ Lively, energetic sequel to animated hit *Wreck-It Ralph*. John C Reilly (2018, PG)

8.00 Cinderella ★★★★ Lavish live-action retelling of the classic fairy tale. Lily James, Cate Blanchett (2015, U)

9.50 The Nutcracker and the Four Realms ★★★ Genteel fantasy based on the classic ballet. Mackenzie Foy, Keira Knightley, Helen Mirren, Morgan Freeman, Matthew MacFadyen (2018, PG)

11.40pm The Muppet Movie ★★★★ Adventure. (1979, U) **1.20am Muppet Treasure Island** ★★★★ Comedy. (1996, U) **3.10 Blank Check** ★★ Comedy. (1994, PG) **4.55 The Black Cauldron** ★★★ Adventure. (1985, U)

Thriller

Sky 309 **Virgin** 409 **BT** 509

7.15am Galveston ★★★ Crime drama. Ben Foster, Elle Fanning (2018, 15) **8.50 White Boy Rick** ★★ Crime drama. Matthew McConaughey (2018, 15) **10.45 Papillon** ★★★★ Period drama. Charlie Hunnam, Rami Malek (2017, 15) **1.00pm** As 9pm **3.00 Hotel Mumbai** ★★★ Fact-based thriller. Dev Patel (2018, 15)

5.05pm Déjà Vu ★★★ A federal agent tries to stop a terrorist act – even though it's already happened. Denzel Washington (2006, 12)

7.15 Greta ★★★ Isabelle Huppert makes Chloë Grace Moretz's life a misery in this sprightly chiller. **Choice, p206.** Maika Monroe, Zawe Ashton, Colm Feore (2018, 15)

9.00 The Recruit ★★ Colin Farrell is taught CIA tactics by gruff trainer Al Pacino. (2002, 12)

11.00pm Fatal Attraction ★★★★ A lawyer's affair turns to terror. Michael Douglas, Glenn Close, Anne Archer (1987, 18) **1.00am** As 8.50am **2.55** As 3pm **5.05 Point Last Seen** ★★★ Suspense thriller. Linda Hamilton (1998)

Sci-Fi/Horror

Sky 311 **Virgin** 411 **BT** 511

6.00am Anon ★★★ Thriller. Clive Owen, Amanda (2018, 15) **7.45 At First Light** ★★★ Thriller. Stefanie Scott, Théodore Pellerin, Saïd Taghmaoui (2017, 12) **9.30** As 11.15pm **11.15** As 7pm **1.15pm Glass** As 9pm **3.30 Above the Shadows** ★★★ Fantasy romance. Olivia Thirlby, Alan Ritchson, Maria Dizzia (2019, 12)

5.30pm Mom and Dad ★★★ Parents are inexplicably compelled to slay their offspring. Nicolas Cage, Selma Blair, Anne Winters (2017, 15)

7.00 ET the Extra-Terrestrial ★★★★★ A lonely little boy befriends an abandoned alien and tries to help him return home. Henry Thomas, Dee Wallace, Drew Barrymore (1982, U)

9.00 Glass ★★★ A psychiatric hospital is the setting for this fantasy. Bruce Willis, Samuel L Jackson (2019, 15)

11.15pm Judge Dredd ★★★ Adventure. Sylvester Stallone (1995, 15) **1.00am** As 5.30pm **2.30 The Farm** ★★ Thriller. Nora Yessayan (2018, 15) **4.00 Beneath Us** ★★ Thriller. Lynn Collins (2019, 15) **5.30** Gemini Man Special

Harry Potter

Sky 306 **Virgin** 406 **BT** 506

6.15am The Prisoner of Azkaban ★★★★ Fantasy. Daniel Radcliffe (2004, PG) **8.40 The Goblet of Fire** ★★★★ Adventure. Daniel Radcliffe (2005, 12) **11.20 The Order of the Phoenix** ★★★★ Fantasy. Daniel Radcliffe (2007, 12) **1.40pm The Half-Blood Prince** ★★★★ Adventure. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint (2009, 12)

4.15pm The Deathly Hallows: Part 1 ★★★ Harry, Ron and Hermione are on the run. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson (2010, 12)

6.45 The Deathly Hallows: Part 2 ★★★★★ Harry and Voldemort clash for the final time. Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson (2011, 12)

9.00 Fantastic Beasts: the Crimes of Grindelwald ★★★★ Newt Scamander heads to Paris. Eddie Redmayne, Katherine Waterston (2018, 12)

11.20pm The Philosopher's Stone ★★★★ Harry is whisked off to Hogwarts. Daniel Radcliffe (2001, PG) **1.55am The Chamber of Secrets** ★★★★ Fantasy adventure. Daniel Radcliffe (2002, PG) **4.40** As 6.15am

Comedy

Sky 310 **Virgin** 408 **BT** 508

7.10am As 8.45pm **9.15 Get Him to the Greek** ★★★★ Comedy. Russell Brand (2010, 15) **11.20 High Anxiety** ★★★ Parody. Mel Brooks (1977, 15) **1.10pm Drunk on Love** ★★ Drama. (2017, 15) **3.00 Spanglish** ★★★★ Drama. Adam Sandler (2004, 12) **5.15 Bad Teacher** ★★ Comedy. Cameron Diaz (2011, 15)

7.00pm Happy Gilmore ★★ An ice-hockey player discovers a talent for golf. Adam Sandler (1996, 12)

8.45 Forgetting Sarah Marshall ★★★ A musician winds up staying in the same hotel as his ex-girlfriend. Jason Segel, Kristen Bell (2008, 15)

10.45 This Is the End ★★★★ The apocalypse comes to Hollywood in this riotous satirical comedy. James Franco, Jonah Hill, Seth Rogen, Jay Baruchel, Jay Baruchel (2013, 15)

12.45am Eaten by Lions ★★★ Pleasant seaside tale. Antonio Aakeel, Jack Carroll, Asim Chaudhry (2018, 12) **2.35 Bad Teacher** As 5.15pm **4.25 Gulliver's Travels** ★★★ Fantasy adventure. Jack Black (2010, PG)

TCM Movies

Sky 315 **Virgin** 415 **BT** 512 **HD** **Virgin** 416

6.00am Hollywood's Best Directors **7.10 Rio Lobo** ★★★ Western. John Wayne (1970, PG) **9.35 Monte Walsh** ★★★ Western. Lee Marvin (1970, PG) **11.35 Yellowstone Kelly** ★★★ Western. (1959, U) **1.30pm The Lone Gun** ★★ Western. (1954) **3.15 Oklahoma Territory** ★★★ Western. (1959, U)

4.40pm Murder She Said ★★ Murder mystery with Margaret Rutherford as Miss Marple. (1961, PG)

6.30 The Cowboys ★★ Rite-of-passage western. John Wayne (1972, 12)

9.00 The Enforcer ★★ Violent crime thriller outing for "Dirty" Harry Callahan. Clint Eastwood (1976, 18)

11.05 Sudden Impact ★★★ "Dirty" Harry Callahan hunts a woman killing the men who raped her and her sister. Clint Eastwood (1983, 18)

1.30am The Limey ★★★★ Tough and ingenious thriller. Terence Stamp, Peter Fonda, Lesley Ann Warren, Melissa George (1999, 18) **3.35** Off Set **5.00** Close Up

TCM Movies +1 **Sky** 316 **Virgin** 417

SPORT



Rugby Union *7.00pm*
BT Sport 1 Tom Curry will be planning a January Sale spree

Sky Main Event

Sky 401 **Virgin** 511 **BT** 402 **HD** **Virgin** 501 **BT** 437

6.00am Good Morning Sports Fans **7.30 LIVE Test Cricket** South Africa v England. The first day of the Second Test in the four-match series, taking place in Cape Town. **4.30pm** Test Cricket: South Africa v England **4.45** Cricket Debate **5.30** Sky Sports News **7.00** Sky Sports Tonight **10.00** Sky Sports News **11.00 LIVE US Tour Golf** The Sentry Tournament of Champions. Day two of the tournament which is restricted to winners on the 2019 tour, held at the Plantation Course at Kapalua in Hawaii. **3.00–6.00am** Sky Sports News

Sky Football

Sky 403 **Virgin** 513 **HD** **Virgin** 503

6.00am EFL Greatest Games **7.00** Football's Greatest Players: Patrick Vieira and Marcel Desailly **8.00** Football Countdowns (AD) **9.00** Football Years (AD) **10.00** Classic League Cup Finals: Bradford City v Swansea City from 2013 **11.00** One2Eleven – Ray Houghton (AD) **11.15** One2Eleven – Tony Cascarino (AD) **11.30** Football's Greatest Players (AD) **12 noon** EFL Greatest Games **12.30pm** SPFL Greatest Games **1.00** Football Countdowns (AD) **2.00** Football Years (AD) **3.00** Classic League Cup Finals: Manchester City v Sunderland from 2013/14 **4.00** One2Eleven – Ian Harte (AD) **4.15** One2Eleven – Michael O'Neill (AD) **4.30** Football's Greatest Players **5.00** EFL Greatest Games **5.30** SPFL Greatest Games **6.00** Classic League Cup Finals: Chelsea v Tottenham Hotspur from 2015 **7.00** Best League Cup Goals **7.30** Football Countdowns (AD) **8.00** Championship Season Review **11.00** Football's Greatest Players (AD) **12 midnight** Football Years (AD) **1.00am** Football Countdowns (AD) **2.00** SPFL Greatest Games **2.30** One2Eleven – Steve Lomas (AD) **2.45** One2Eleven – Iain Dowie (AD) **3.00** Championship Season Review **4.00** EFL Greatest Games **4.30** Football Countdowns (AD) **5.00** Football's Greatest Players (AD) **5.30–6.00am** Football Years (AD)

Sky Golf

Sky 405 **Virgin** 515 **HD** **Virgin** 505

6.00am Wonderful World of Golf: Phil Mickelson v David Toms (AD) **8.00** PGA Tour Golf **12 noon** PGA Tour Profiles **1.00pm** PGA Tour Golf **5.00** Golfer of the Decade **7.00** PGA Tour Golf **11.00 LIVE PGA Tour Golf** The Sentry Tournament of Champions. Day two of the tournament which is restricted to winners on the 2019 tour, held at the Plantation Course at Kapalua in Hawaii. **3.00–6.00am** Chronicles of a Champion Golfer (AD)

Sky Premier League

Sky 402 **Virgin** 512 **HD** **Virgin** 502

6.00am Premier League Greatest Games (AD) **7.00** Premier League Legends (AD) **8.00** Best Goals **9.00** Premier League 100 Club (AD) **10.00** Premier League Years **12 noon** Premier League Best Goals (AD) **1.00pm** Premier League Years (AD) **3.00** Premier League Best Goals (AD) **4.00** Premier League Greatest Games **5.00** Premier League 100 Club (AD) **6.00** Premier League Legends (AD) **7.00** Premier League World **7.30** Premier League Hat-Tricks **8.00** Gary Neville's Soccerbox **9.00** Premier League World **9.30** The Tyler Archives **10.00** Premier League Special: the Centurions **11.00** Best Goals (AD) **1.00am** Premier League Years **3.00** Premier League Greatest Games **4.00** Best Goals **5.30–6.00am** Premier League 100 Club (AD)

Sky Cricket

Sky 404 **Virgin** 514 **HD** **Virgin** 504

6.00am My Icon: Nasser Hussain **6.15** Test Cricket: South Africa v England **7.30 LIVE Test Cricket** South Africa v England. The first day of the Second Test in the four-match series, taking place in Cape Town. **4.30pm** Test Cricket **4.45** Cricket Debate **5.30** Test Cricket **6.30** Cricket Debate **7.15** Test Cricket **8.30** Cricket Debate **9.15** Test Cricket **10.30** Cricket Debate **11.15** Test Cricket **12.30am** Cricket Debate **1.15** Test Cricket **2.30** Cricket Debate **3.15** Test Cricket **4.15** Cricket Debate **5.00** My Icon: Nasser Hussain (AD) **5.15** My Icon: Ebony Rainford-Brent (AD) **5.30** My Icon: Moeen Ali **5.45–6.00am** My Icon: Charlotte Edwards (AD)

Sky Action

Sky 407 **Virgin** 517 **HD** **Virgin** 507

6.00am Boxing Gold **8.00** Basketball **9.30** Sporting Records (AD) **10.00** NFL: America's Game (AD) **11.00** Triathlon **12 noon** Inside the NBA **1.00pm** NFL **3.00** Inside the Huddle **4.00** NBA (AD) **5.15** Fast Zone **5.45** NBA **8.00** American Football **10.00** NFL **11.00** NBA **12 midnight** NBA Classic Games **1.00am LIVE NBA** Houston Rockets v Philadelphia 76ers (tip-off **1.00**). **3.30** Sporting Records **5.00–6.00am** Sporting Greats (AD)

Sky Darts

Sky 408 **Virgin** 518 **HD** **Virgin** 508

6.00am Darts Gold **7.00** Legends of Darts (AD) **8.00** Darts Gold **11.00** Darts Top Five Moments **12 noon** Darts Gold **12.30pm** World Darts **3.30** Darts Gold **4.00** World Darts **7.00** Darts Gold **8.00** World Darts **11.00** Darts Gold **3.00am** Darts Top Five Moments **3.20–6.00am** Darts Gold (AD)

Eurosport 1

Sky 410 **Virgin** 521 **BT** 412 **HD** **BT** 435

6.00am Cross-Country Skiing **8.00** Olympics **9.00** Cycling **9.05** Ski Jumping **10.05** Cross-Country Skiing **12.05pm LIVE Cross-Country Skiing** The World Cup Tour de Ski meeting at Val di Fiemme, featuring the women's 10km mass-start. **12.55 LIVE Ski Jumping** Qualifying from Innsbruck. **2.15 LIVE Cross-Country Skiing** World Cup Tour de Ski meeting from Val di Fiemme, featuring the men's 15km mass-start event. **3.05** Cross-Country Skiing **4.00** Ski Jumping **5.00** Cross-Country Skiing **6.00** Alpine Skiing **8.00** Ski Jumping **9.00** Alpine Skiing **10.00** Ski Jumping **11.00** Cross-Country Skiing **1.00am** Triathlon **1.40** Snooker **2.00** Cross-Country Skiing **4.00** Ski Jumping **5.00–6.00am** Alpine Skiing

BT Sport 1

Sky 413 **Virgin** 527 **BT** 408 **HD** **BT** 430

6.00am Premier League Review **7.00** Premier League Tonight **7.45** BT Sport Big Bash Reload **8.00 LIVE T20 Cricket** Hobart Hurricanes v Brisbane Heat. The Big Bash League match from Blundstone Arena in Hobart. **11.15** Test Cricket **12.15pm** Rugby Union on Tour (AD) **12.45** What I Wore: Henrik Larsson **1.00** Italian Football **2.30** FA Cup Football **3.00** T20 Cricket **4.00** Test Cricket **5.00** Australian Football **6.30** Rugby Union on Tour (AD) **7.00 LIVE Rugby Union** Sale Sharks v Harlequins at AJ Bell Stadium (kick-off **7.45**). **10.00** Boxing **11.00** Classic Boxing (AD) **11.30** Nature Boy (AD) **1.00am LIVE Wrestling** Action from WWE Friday Night Smackdown. **3.00** T20 Cricket **4.00** BT Sport Reload **4.30–6.00am** Australian Football

BT Sport 2

Sky 414 **Virgin** 528 **BT** 409 **HD** **BT** 431

7.15am Rugby Union **8.00** FA Cup Football: upcoming action **8.30 LIVE Australian Football** Melbourne City v Western United from AAMI Park (kick-off **8.30**). **10.30** Premier League Football **9.00** Premier League Tonight **9.45** Premier League Review **10.45** BT Sport Reload **11.00** BT Sport Big Bash Reload **11.15–7.15am LIVE Test Cricket** Australia v New Zealand. The second day of the Third Test at Sydney Cricket Ground.

BT Sport 3

Sky 417 **Virgin** 529 **BT** 410 **HD** **BT** 432

6.00am German Football – Games Of the Season So Far: highlights **4.00pm** German Football **4.30** BT Sport Goals Reload **5.00** Italian Football **6.30** FA Cup Football **7.00** Fishing (AD) **8.00** T20 Cricket: Big Bash League **9.00** Test Cricket **10.00** Poker **12 midnight** Rugby Union **1.30am** Premier League Tonight **2.15** BT Sport Reload **2.45** Holy Grail: the T206 Honus Wagner (AD) **3.00–6.00am** MLB

BT Sport ESPN

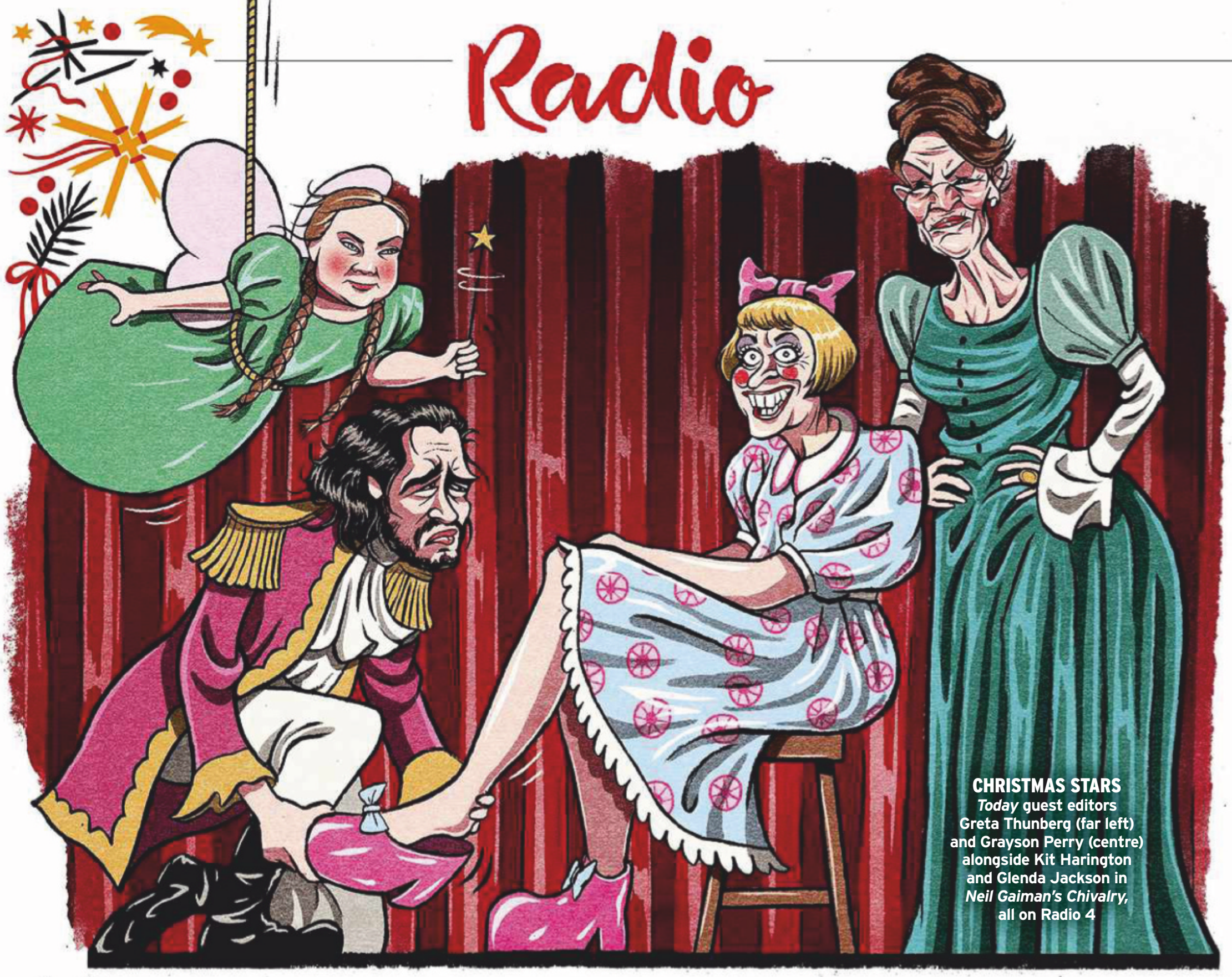
Sky 423 **Virgin** 530 **BT** 411 **HD** **BT** 434

6.00am Around the Horn **6.30** ESPN FC **7.00** Pardon the Interruption **7.30** CFB: the American Game: Notre Dame **8.30** American Football: college football action **11.30** Around the Horn **12 noon** ESPN FC **12.30pm** Pardon the Interruption **1.00** BT Sport Reload **1.15** Basketball **4.45** BT Sport Reload **5.00** ESPN FC **5.30** American Football **8.30 LIVE American Football** Action from College Football. **12 midnight LIVE Basketball** Houston Cougars v UCF Knights at Fertitta Centre (tip-off **12.00**); **2.00am** Tulsa Golden Hurricane v Temple Owls, at Reynolds Centre in Tulsa, Oklahoma (tip-off **2.00**). **4.00** The American Game: Evolution: celebrating the game **5.00–6.00am** CFB: the American Game: Recruiting

Eurosport 2

Sky 411 **Virgin** 522 **BT** 413 **HD** **BT** 436

6.00am Alpine Skiing **8.00** Hall of Fame – London 2012 **9.00** Ski Jumping **10.00** Snooker **12 noon** Darts **1.00pm** Climbing **3.15** Athletics **4.15** Darts **5.15** Dakar Rally **5.45** Motorcycling **6.00** World Superbikes **8.00** Snooker **10.00** World Darts **11.00** Olympics: Hall of Fame **12 midnight** Snooker **2.00am** World Darts **4.00** Alpine Skiing **5.00–6.00am** Ski Jumping



CHRISTMAS STARS
Today guest editors Greta Thunberg (far left) and Grayson Perry (centre) alongside Kit Harington and Glenda Jackson in *Neil Gaiman's Chivalry*, all on Radio 4

Curtain up!

Look who's centre stage at Christmas, says *RT* radio editor **Jane Anderson**

SEASONS GREETINGS, WHETHER you're reading this clad in a comely elf suit or muttering "Bah, humbug". Rest assured that BBC and commercial radio have something to suit every taste.

Comedy is king (or queen), with plenty to make us laugh. My own top pick is **Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show!** *(Christmas Day 11.30am Radio 4)*, where the verbally confused Count morphs *Good King Wenceslas* into Good King Senseless. Another old favourite has the blues in **The Shuttleworths** *(Sun 22 Dec 7.15pm Radio 4)* as John's wife Mary cancels Christmas, gets rid of the tree and moves his beloved organ to the garage. On 5 Live, Nihal Arthanayake replays clips from his funniest interviews – including Lenny Henry and Dawn French – in **Headliners** *(Christmas Day 10.30pm)*. And comedians from around the globe are showcased in **The Arts Hour** *(Sat 28 Dec 8.05pm BBC World Service)*.

Radio 2 offers a hamper full of treats on Christmas Day: **Paul O'Grady** *(12 noon)* has his camp value set to 11; **Christmas with the Stars (and Matt Lucas)** *(2pm)* asks listeners to call in with their worst gifts; and in **Family Rhythms** *(6pm)* Liza Tarbuck gets well-known relatives such as Martin and Gary Kemp to share the music that bonds them.

Families are well catered for. **Radio 3 in Concert** *(Mon 23 Dec 7.30pm)* has a double whammy for sci-fi/fantasy fans as Neil Gaiman is joined by David Tennant to read from assorted tales, while the BBC Symphony Orchestra plays everything from *The Sorcerer's Apprentice* to *Ride of the Valkyries*. There's a Christmas classic in **Derek Jacobi Narrates The Nutcracker** *(Christmas Day 5pm Classic FM)* and a blast from the past in 1979 panto **Puss-in-Boots** starring Arthur Askey, Anita Harris and Alfred Marks *(Fri 27 Dec 10am/3pm Radio 4 Extra)*.

Need some respite? There's "slow radio" in **Arctic Sound Walk** *(Christmas Eve 4.30pm, Christmas Day/Boxing Day 4pm Radio 3)* as poet Horatio Clare goes for a walk in Greenland.

Drama and readings abound, with a sinister, darkly funny piece of modern German theatre in **Drama on 3: Winter Solstice** *(Sun 22 Dec 7.30pm Radio 3)* about a family with secrets. Spike Milligan's **Puckoon** *(Sat 28 Dec 2.30pm Radio 4)* is a delicious satire on the division of Ireland in 1924, and the

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thespian bigwigs are out in force for festive fantasy **Neil Gaiman's Chivalry** *(Christmas Day 4pm Radio 4)* as Glenda Jackson and Kit Harington put a new spin on finding the Holy Grail in an Oxfam shop.

Lovers of verse will be spellbound by Ian McKellen reading *The Rime of the Ancient Mariner* in **Poetry Extra** *(Sun 22 Dec 5pm Radio 4 Extra)*, while Philip Pullman devotees won't miss **The Secret Commonwealth** *(Mon 23 Dec–Fri 3 Jan 12.04pm/10.45pm Radio 4)*.

It's simply not Christmas without a terrifying tale, so enter *The Archers*' Jim Lloyd (aka John Rowe), up in an attic reading **Ghost Stories from Ambridge** *(Mon 30 Dec–New Year's Day 6.15pm Radio 4)*. And Jeremy Dyson delivers rather more contemporary spookiness in **Telling Tales** *(Christmas Eve 11am/9pm Radio 4 Extra)*.

Music on Radio 2 comes from films in **Jack Savoretti's Seasonal Soundtrack** *(Mon 23 Dec 7pm)* and musicals in **First Cast** *(Sun 29 Dec 7pm)*, with Leo Green and some of the *Strictly* singers getting nostalgic in **The Green Room** *(Mon 23 Dec–Boxing Day 9pm)*. Classical lovers get two helpings of **Private Passions** *(Sun 22/29 Dec 12 noon Radio 3)* – choreographer Matthew Bourne and former ballet star Darcey Bussell – and there's an intimate interview with Chinese pianist Lang Lang in **Sean Rafferty at Home with...** *(Christmas Day 1pm Radio 3)*. Classic FM has Elton John reminiscing in **A Life at the Piano** *(Sat 21 Dec 9pm)*, while waltzes are the order of the day in **David Mellor's Viennese-Up** *(New Year's Eve 8pm)*. On Absolute, **The Greatest Songs of the 80s** are counted down *(Boxing Day 5pm)*.

If talk radio is more your thing, **Today** *(Boxing Day–New Year's Eve Radio 4)* enlists more guest editors (see right). 6 Music also has surprising conversations: **Shaun Keaveny** *(Christmas Day 1pm)* is joined by Brians Eno and Cox to discuss time, space and Christmas lunch; **Wise Women** *(Christmas Eve–Boxing Day 4pm)* returns with rapper Little Simz, actor Jessica Hynes and poet Kate Tempest; and actors **Martin Freeman** *(Boxing Day–New Year's Eve 1pm)* and **Cillian Murphy** *(New Year's Day 9.30am)* reveal as much about their thinking as their musical tastes.

Programmes shining a light on Christian faith include **A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols** *(Christmas Eve 3pm Radio 4/Christmas Day 2pm Radio 3)* from King's College, Cambridge, celebrating its former director of music, Stephen Cleobury, who sadly died in November. Classic FM is full of festive glow with **Carols from St Paul's Cathedral** *(Christmas Eve 5.30pm)*. And there are unexpected goings-on in **Three Vicars Talking** *(Christmas Day 1.15pm Radio 4)* as Richard Coles (see page 59), Kate Bottley and Giles Fraser discuss the busiest time of the clerical year. Can you guess who weeps and who admits to hating hearing children sing *Away in a Manger*? Call it my Christmas quiz...



Edited by
JANE ANDERSON

Greta's soapbox

Justin Webb on how to make the world listen



Greta Thunberg is a busy teenager. She's world famous. She has a message she wants to impart. She has the ear of statesmen and women. So this Christmas, where does she turn to ice the cake, as it were: to put the angel on top of the tree? Only one place. She is a Radio 4 *Today* programme guest editor. It's like winning a Nobel Prize, only with no prize money, worse coffee and a 4am start. Still, it gets you maximum publicity at a moment of minimal news.

Is she going to arrive in London by hot-air balloon? Or are we sailing to her? You'll have to tune in to find out. But the opportunity for that publicity is hard to turn down. It's a soapbox from which you can see the world. And the world can see and hear you.

Last year, slightly running out of things to talk about with Angelina Jolie, I asked whether she might run for elected office. I expected her to smile and pat me on the head. Instead she said yes, she wasn't ruling it out. Cue massive US publicity: Angelina for President? A careless word on *Today* at the best of times can get you into hot water; at Christmas with a guest editor, anything can happen.

This year will be no exception. Greta will be fascinating. As will Grayson Perry, Baroness Hale (she of the Supreme Court), George Mpanga, aka George the Poet, and Charles Moore, who gets the chance to tell us things we'd expect Lady Thatcher's biographer to think, but also things that might make us think differently about him and, importantly, issues he wants to raise.

Will any of them make the same impact as Prince Harry? I liked him enormously for his unstuffy approach and his open discussion of the way he'd been hurt by the media. I wore my newest shoes – rather fancy ones – and when I showed him he sighed, "Yes, people always seem oddly well dressed around us!" There was a wistfulness about him. A sense of being trapped by circumstances, which in recent times has become more obvious. But you could feel it in his studio interview.

Some are not so open. The singer PJ Harvey used her editorship to champion the causes she backed, but then refused to be questioned, even when Sarah Montague chased her into the loo. Others are eccentrics. The late Lady Trumpington, Bletchley Park codebreaker and all-round good egg, told us in 2017 that she passionately wanted to legalise brothels. My memory of David Hockney is that he devoted his programme in 2009 to the joys of smoking.

How they actually guest edit varies hugely. Some are very busy – Ms Jolie did her interview with me in advance, after being fed fruit in a BBC meeting room. She had an entourage who discouraged pictures. Prince Harry was very active in the studio – gesticulating and suggesting questions as we talked to people. Others come in on the bus and then go out with a tape recorder and do all the interviews themselves. They learn how to mix sound and make pieces sing. There is no template. You can make of it what you want.

John Humphrys couldn't stand any of it. A waste of time, he thought. But the BBC bosses took no notice and carried on. The great tradition of the *Today* guest editor has kept going into the post-John era. And shows no sign of tiring.

Sorry, John. But next year, around Christmas time, are you busy?

Justin Webb is a presenter on Radio 4's Today. The guest editors are: Grayson Perry (Boxing Day), Baroness Hale (27 Dec), Charles Moore (28 Dec), Greta Thunberg (30 Dec) and George the Poet (New Year's Eve)

SATURDAY Radio

Today's Choices



From Russia with Love
6.00am/4.00pm ***R4 Extra***

Radio 4 Extra has put together a wonderful seasonal package for James Bond fans, comprising four of eight 007 dramatisations starring Toby Stephens as Bond, plus three documentaries including *The Woman Who Invented James Bond?* in which Miles Jupp investigates whether author Phyllis Bottome inspired her pupil Ian Fleming. Today's drama is *From Russia with Love* (first broadcast in 2012), for many Fleming's best story and one that produced the best film. All the plays are directed and narrated by Martin Jarvis, able to fill his casts with star names.

DAVID McGILLIVRAY

A Life at the Piano: An Elton John Special
9.00pm ***Classic FM***

For all the tantrums, tiaras and erstwhile rock 'n' roll lifestyle, Elton John is a classically trained pianist who studied at the Royal Academy of Music in the 1960s. Tonight he sits down with fellow keyboard man Tim Lihoreau to talk about his debt to classical music, his concerns about it dropping off the school curriculum and the carol that always makes him cry. Among the pieces he selects for listeners is Elgar's *Cello Concerto* as performed by Jacqueline du Pré – something to make everyone cry. **JANE ANDERSON** RADIO EDITOR

BEST OF THE REST...

We're often told we're a divided nation – but compared with the past? **Archive on 4: Divided Nation** *(8.00pm Radio 4)* explores. **Graham Norton** *(10.00am Radio 2)* has some top guests, and the **Opera on 4 from the Met** *(6.30pm Radio 3)* is Verdi's *Macbeth*. **Three Sisters Rewired** *(2.30pm Radio 4)*, which has played very fast and loose with Anton Chekhov, reaches its conclusion.

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BBC Radio 1

97.6–99.8 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio1
F'view* 700 **F'sat** 700 **Sky** 0101 **Virgin** 901
7.00am Matt and Mollie
10.00 Radio 1 Anthems
11.00 Maya Jama New music.
1.00pm Dev and Alice
4.00 Radio 1's Dance Anthems
7.00 DJ Target 1Xtra takes over.
9.00 1Xtra's Rap Show
11.00 Diplo and Friends
1.00am Kan D Man and DJ Limelight
3.00 Danny Howard's Club Mix
4.00 Radio 1's Chillout Anthems
5.00 Arielle Free

BBC Radio 2

88–90.2 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio2
F'view* 702 **F'sat** 702 **Sky** 0102 **Virgin** 902
6.00am Sounds of the 60s Veteran of the airwaves Tony Blackburn introduces 1960s radio hits from Brenda Lee, the Beach Boys, Jim Reeves and many others.
8.00 Dermot O'Leary Music, chat and guests, today with Melanie C performing a Spice Girls oldie and her new single *High Heels*.
10.00 Graham Norton Guests include Corrs lead singer Andrea Corr and author and *Great British Bake Off* star Sandi Toksvig, both of whom have written autobiographical works. Mark Gatiss and Steven Moffat discuss their adaptation of *Dracula* for BBC1 and Netflix, and actor James Norton talks about *The Trial of Christine Keeler*, in which he stars. See 29 Dec BBC1 9pm and New Year's Day 9pm BBC1
See features: pages 52 and 56
1.00pm Pick of the Pops Paul Gambaccini with the Top 20s from this week in 1979and 1986
Repeated Christmas Day 3am
3.00 Rylan Clark-Neal
6.00 Liza Tarbuck
8.00 The Radio 2 Rock Show With Johnnie Walker, who invites special guest Francis Rossi – 51 years after Status Quo's debut – to praise a fellow musician.
9.00 Around the Piano with Tom Odell ***4/4.*** Tom Odell explores piano's place in popular music, concluding with the 2000s, when it started to be used like a guitar. With Muse's Matt Bellamy.
10.00 The Craig Charles House Party Funk and soul.
12.00 Ana Matronic's Dance Devotion
2.00am Radio 2 Chill ***3/4.*** Singer Skye Edwards explores chill music, continuing with Ferris and Sylvester, Minnie Riperton and Sade.
3.00 Radio 2 in Concert Another chance to hear Jeff Lynne's ELO, broadcast live in November from the BBC's Radio Theatre in London. (R)
4.00 Angela Scanlon

BBC 6 Music

DAB bbc.co.uk/6music
Freeview 707 **Freesat** 707 **Sky** 0120 **Virgin** 909
7.00am Mark Radcliffe and Stuart Maconie A festive show.
10.00 The Huey Show Funk, punk, soul, disco and more.
1.00pm Liz Kershaw Requests.
3.00 Gilles Peterson
6.00 The Craig Charles Funk and Soul Show
9.00 The Tom Robinson Show
12.00 The Freak Zone Playlist
1.00am The Joy of 6
2.00 6 Music Recommends – the New Music Playlist
3.00 Live Hour The Vibrators in 1978 and Red Lorry Yellow Lorry in 1982.
4.00 Wise Women Annie Nightingale picks the music. From 2106.
5.00 Chris Hawkins

BBC Radio 3

90.2–92.4 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio3
Freeview* 703 **Freesat** 703 **Sky** 0103 **Virgin** 903
News and **weather** 7.00am, 8.00, 9.00, 1.00pm
7.00am Breakfast With Elizabeth Alker.
9.00 Record Review With Andrew McGregor.
9.30 Building a Library Edward Seckerson compares recordings of Tchaikovsky's *Nutcracker*.
10.50 Music journalist, critic and author of *Carols from King's* (2016) Alexandra Coghlan reviews this year's crop of new Christmas releases.
11.25 Andrew chooses his **Disc of the Week**.
bbc.co.uk/recordreview Disc details are posted on the website
EMAIL: recordreview@bbc.co.uk
11.45 Music Matters Kate Molleson visits Greenland to explore the current role there of both traditional and new music.
12.30pm This Classical Life Saxophonist Jess Gillam is joined by London-based Montenegrin classical guitarist Milos Karadaglicto to swap tracks and share musical discoveries, with music by Albéniz and Björk, with David Bowie narrating Prokofiev.
1.00 Inside Music Icelandic pianist Vikingur Olafsson introduces earthly delights by Sibelius, Haydn and Bartok alongside otherworldly musical beauty in works by Janacek, Thomas Adès and Edmund Finnis.
3.00 Sound of Cinema Matthew Sweet delves into the world of the MGM (Metro Goldwyn Mayer) musical.
4.00 Music Planet Kate Rusby performs festive Yorkshire songs and carols in a concert from Victoria Hall in Leeds, introduced by Kathryn Tickell. For 200 years Yorkshire has had its very own Christmas carol tradition, with some of its versions of well-known carols frowned upon by Victorians as "too happy". Tonight she's joined by her husband Damien O'Kane (guitar), Steven Byrnes (bouzouki), Nick Cooke (accordion), Duncan Lyall (double bass) and the Brass Boys quintet.
5.00 J to Z Jumoké Fashola presents a Christmas party special with the London-based Hackney Colliery Band, which set out ten years ago to reinvent the traditional brass band with a genre-bending combination of brass, reeds, percussion and electronics.
6.30 Opera on 3 from the Met A performance of Verdi's *Macbeth*, recorded at the Met Opera, New York, earlier this autumn. Presented by Mary-Jo Heath with Ira Siff. Verdi began his lifelong relationship with Shakespeare's works with this story, in which Lady Macbeth is driven by her formidable ambition for her husband, Macbeth, to become king.

Verdi *Macbeth*

Macbeth	**Zeljko Lucic** (baritone)
Banquo	**Ildar Abdrazakov** (bass)
Lady Macbeth	**Anna Netrebko** (soprano)
Lady in waiting	**Sarah Cambridge** (mezzo)
Macduff	**Matthew Polenzani** (tenor)
Malcolm	**Giuseppe Filianoti** (tenor)
Servant to Macbeth	**Bradley Garvin** (bass)
Doctor	**Harold Wilson** (bass)
Assassin	**Richard Bernstein** (bass)
Warrior	**Christopher Job** (bass-baritone)
Bloody child	**Meigui Zhang** (soprano)
Crowned child	**Karen-chia-ling Ho** (soprano)
Herald	**Yohan Yi** (bass)
Duncan	**Raymond Renault** (silent role)

New York Metropolitan Opera Chorus and Orchestra, conductor Marco Armiliato
RT OFFER Verdi *Macbeth* (2 CDs) – a 1976 recording featuring Sherrill Milnes, Fiorenza Cossotto, Ruggero Raimondi, José Carreras, Giuliano Bernardi, Ambrosian Opera Chorus, and the New Philharmonia Orchestra conducted by Riccardo Muti – is available for £14.95 incl p&p. Call 0115 982 7500 quoting ref 9029593487 or visit radiotimes.com/cds
9.50 Between the Ears Steeped in heritage, piers and arcades dot the English coastline. Sound artist Frazer Merrick explores the infectious energy of Walton Pier in north Essex in the three-movement *Hidden Sounds of Coastal Arcades* – beginning in the bustling arcade, moving into the cacophonous fairground and finishing above the water at the end of the pier.
10.00 New Music Show Sara Mohr-Pietsch presents a concert recorded at LSO St Luke's in London.
Christophe Guiraud *Hiera picra Hellébores*
Tom Pauwels (electric guitar)
Alex Groves *Curved Form (No 4)*
Eliza McCarthy (piano)
Crewdson and Cevanne *Two Sisters; Two Machines*
Cevanne (vocal/harp/electronics), Crewdson (electronics)
Ed Bennett *Sometimes Everything Falls Apart*
Egidija Medeksaite *Malakosha*
Decibel, conductor Daniele Rosina
John Luther Adams *Nunataks* Eliza McCarthy (piano)
Crewdson and Cevanne *They Forgot; Sisa's Well*
Cevanne (vocal/harp/electronics), Crewdson (electronics)
James Tenney *Harmonium I* Tom Pauwels (bowed seven-string electric guitar/electronics)
Joe Cutler *Extended Play*
Decibel, conductor Daniele Rosina
12.00 Freeness Comic Elis James indulges his passion for free jazz, and Corey Mwamba presents a festive jam from London experimentalists Ill Considered.
1.00am Through the Night With Catriona Young.
Mozart *Overture: Die Zauberflöte (arr wind quintet)* **Farrenc** *Sextet in C minor, Op 40* **Mozart** *Piano Quintet in E flat, K452* **Strauss** *Till Eulenspiegels lustige Streiche (arr piano and wind quintet)* Till Ensemble **2.11 Beethoven** *Mass in C, Op 86* **3.01 Ruppe** *Christmas Cantata* **3.32 Schumann** *Piano Trio No 1 in D minor* **4.06 Pacius** *Overture for large orchestra* **4.12 Chaminade** *Flute Concertino in D, Op 107* **4.21 Dimitrescu** *Symphonic Prelude* **4.30 Humperdinck** *Dream Pantomime (Hansel and Gretel)* **4.40 Berwald** *Fantasia on Two Swedish Folk Songs* **4.49 Mozart** *Les Petits Riens, K299b (excerpts)* **5.01 Geminiani** *Concerto grosso in E minor, Op 3 No 6* **5.10 Chopin** *Scherzo No 2 in B flat minor, Op 31* **5.20 Schubert** *Gesang der Geistern über den Wassern, D714* **5.30 Enescu** *Concertstück for viola and piano* **5.40 Nikita Koshkin** *The Fall of Birds* **5.49 A Gabrieli** *Aria della battaglia* **5.59 Mozart** *Violin Concerto No 4 in D, K218* **6.23 Hummel** *Piano Trio in F, Op 22* **6.37 Grieg** *Holberg Suite*

Scala Radio

DAB scalaradio.co.uk Sky 0216
6.00am In the Park Calming sounds.
7.00 Angellica Bell Uplifting music.
10.00 Simon Mayo With the 20 most downloaded and streamed classical or clasically inspired tracks of 2019. Plus last Thursday's **Book Club** interview.
1.00pm Mark Kermode Music from festive films.
3.00 Jack Pepper's Culture Grotto Origins of carols and Christmas songs, with guest Howard Blake.
5.00 The Console with Luci Holland
6.00 Charlie Higson and Friends
RT *Fast Show* star Charlie Higson returns for a seasonal special. Repeated Boxing Day 7pm
Festive highlights: pages 248–249
8.00 Saturday Night Scala With Darren Redick.
11.00 William Orbit in the Space (R)
1.00am Night Music Nonstop classical music.

Absolute Radio

DAB absoluteradio.co.uk
F'view 727 **F'sat** 724 **Sky** 0107 **Virgin** 915
8.00am Frank Skinner 11.00 Claire Sturgess 2.00pm Rock 'n' Roll Football 5.00 Andy Bush's Indie Disco 7.00 Absolute Classic Rock Party 10.00 Jay Lawrence 4.00am Ross Buchanan

Classic FM

99.9–101.9 FM DAB classicfm.com
Freeview 731 **Freesat** 721 **Sky** 0106 **Virgin** 922
7.00am Alan Titchmarsh
10.00 Bill Turnbull With festive music.
1.00pm Alexander Armstrong Seasonal music.
3.00 Moira Stuart's Hall of Fame Concert Festive music by Beethoven, Grieg, Elgar, Leontovych, Tchaikovsky, Bach, Nigel Hess and John Rutter.
5.00 Saturday Night at the Movies Andrew Collins presents music from seasonal favourite films, including scores by Craig Armstrong (*Love Actually*), Alan Silvestrai (*The Polar Express*) and Danny Elfman (*The Nightmare before Christmas*).
7.00 Cowan's Classics Rob Cowan with arrangements of popular carols and festive works by Corelli and Tchaikovsky.
9.00 A Life at the Piano: An Elton John Special
RT Pop superstar Elton John shares his love of classical music in an interview with fellow pianist Tim Lihoreau, recorded at the Royal Academy of Music in London, where Elton John studied music.
Festive highlights: pages 248–249
10.00 Smooth Classics With Myleene Klass.
1.00am Katie Breathwick 4.00 Jane Jones

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News 5.30am, 6.00 and hourly to 2.00pm, 4.00 and hourly to 12 midnight
Weather 6.04am, 6.57, 7.57, 12.57pm, 5.57, 9.59, 12.29am
Shipping Forecasts 5.20am, 12.01pm (*LW*), 5.54, 12.48am

5.30am News Briefing

5.43 Prayer for the Day
A pause for reflection and contemplation with Bishop Sarah Mullally, the Bishop of London.

5.45 Four Thought
2/8. Author and activist Winnie M Li talks about her devastating experience as a victim of rape, telling how she took hold of writing as a lifeline to recovery. Recorded at the Primadonna literature and arts festival in Suffolk and presented by Farrah Jarral.
Repeated from Wednesday

6.00 News and Papers

6.07 Open Country
9/16. **Bristol and the Transatlantic Slave Trade**
Jasmine Ketibuah-Foley examines how the transatlantic slave trade has shaped the city of Bristol, meeting some of the historians, artists and cultural figures who are redressing how the city's story is told in the light of its past. Repeated from Thursday

6.30 Farming Today This Week

7.00 Today
With Mishal Husain and Martha Kearney.

7.25, 8.25 Sports News

7.48 Thought for the Day With Tom Stanley.

9.00 Saturday Live
Extraordinary stories and remarkable people, presented by Richard Coles and Aasmah Mir. Their main guest is the actress Ruth Jones, star and co-creator of *Gavin & Stacey*, which returns to BBC1 on Christmas Day at 8.30pm.
Producer Corinna Jones
Reverend Richard Coles: page 59

10.30 James Veitch's Contractual Obligation
3/3. **Off-Grid.** Comedian James Veitch undertakes a series of challenges to discover more about the modern world, this time trying to start a new life off-grid.
Producer Laurence Grissell Rptd Fri 3 January 11.25pm

11.00 The Week in Westminster
The week's political proceedings.

11.30 From Our Own Correspondent
Kate Adie presents reports from BBC correspondents around the world.

12.04pm Money Box
Financial advice presented by Paul Lewis.
Repeated tomorrow 9pm

12.30 Dead Ringers
2/3. Impressions and satirical comedy with Jon Culshaw, Jan Ravens, Duncan Wisbey, Debra Stephenson, and Lewis Macleod.
Repeated from yesterday

1.00 News

1.10 Any Questions?
Julian Worricker presents political debate from Wac Arts in Belsize Park, north London.
Repeated from yesterday

2.00 Any Answers?
Have your say on the issues raised in *Any Questions?* Presented by Anita Anand.
PHONE: 0370 010 0444 Lines open from 12.30pm
EMAIL: any.answers@bbc.co.uk

2.30 Drama: Three Sisters Rewired
2/2. Polly Thomas and Jenny Sealey's radical reworking of Anton Chekhov's classic play, relocated to present-day Yorkshire and starring Genevieve Barr, Lara Steward and Alexandra James. A year on and there has been a flood in the town on New Year's Eve and the sisters are trying to offer shelter to those driven out of their homes by the water. Angus has gambled more than ever, Natalie is ruling the house and angling to get rid of Anna, because Anna knows too much…

Olivia	**Genevieve Barr**	Anna	**Kay Purcell**
Maisie	**Lara Steward**	Victoria	**Alexandra Mathie**
Iris	**Alexandra James**	Tyrone	**Tachia Newall**
Angus	**Jonathan Keeble**	Sean	**Chris Jack**
Natalie	**Steph Lacey**		

Producer Eloise Whitmore
Directors Polly Thomas and Jenny Sealey

3.30 What If We Stopped Buying Stuff and Started Making It?
What do we really understand about the stuff we own? What does it mean to us and what would the world look like if everybody started to buy less and make more? Writer and occasional knife-maker Tim Hayward meets the craftspeople and repairers who are challenging themselves and others to think harder about the things they buy, use and throw away. Contributors include Laura James who co-founded the Cambridge Make Space; Clarry Elliot who helped set up the Leeds Repair Café; and designer and cabinet-maker Poppy Booth.
Producer Michael Umney Repeated from Tuesday

4.00 Weekend Woman's Hour
Jenni Murray presents a round-up of highlights from the weekday programmes.
EMAIL: womanshour@bbc.co.uk

5.00 Saturday PM With Jonny Dymond.

5.30 The Inquiry
4/10. Programme that goes behind the headlines to explore the trends, forces and ideas shaping the world. Producer Richard Vadon

6.00 Six o'Clock News

6.15 Loose Ends
Clive Anderson and Sara Cox are joined by Petula Clark, Rick Stein, Jayde Adams and Shazia Merza. With music by Angus Monro, and Chris Holland and Siobhan Parr.
Producer Sukey Firth Rptd Monday 23 December 11.30am

7.00 Profile
Friends, adversaries, colleagues and confidants provides insights into a figure in the news.
Repeated tomorrow 5.45am and 5.40pm

7.15 Saturday Review
Tom Sutcliffe is joined by Rowan Pelling, Linda Grant and Kerry Shale to discuss: a production of the musical *Gypsy* at the Royal Exchange, Manchester; Tom Hooper's film version of the Andrew Lloyd Webber musical *Cats*, with additional music by Taylor Swift; and a non-fiction work by Zora Neale Thurston, *Barracoon: The Story of the Last "Black Cargo"*.
Producer Sarah Johnson

8.00 Archive on 4: Divided Nation
RT Timandra Harkness compares today's political and social divisions with those of the past. Producer Jonathan Brunert

9.00 Drama: Pilgrim
1/4. **The Drowned Church.** Second series of Sebastian Baczkiewicz's fantasy adventures in which Pilgrim, cursed with immortality, is forced to walk for ever between our world and the world of Faerie. He comes to the Norfolk seaside town of Skaymer to investigate the strange appearance of a young man believed drowned in the great flood of 1757.

Pilgrim	**Paul Hilton**	Freya	**Rachael Spence**
Helen	**Claire Price**	Mr Hazelbury	**Sean Baker**
Doris	**Judy Parfitt**	Hendry	**Jude Akuwudike**
Zach	**William Gaunt**	Mrs Squires	**Sally Orrock**
Aaron	**Luke Treadaway**		

Director Marc Beeby (R)

9.45 Rabbit, Run
6/10. John Updike's 1960s novel, abridged by Eileen Horne and read by Toby Jones. Ruth is furious when Harry learns that his wife Janice is in labour and rushes off, arriving at the hospital full of fear – only to fall head over heels for his new baby daughter. Producer Clive Brill (R)
RT BOOKS To order *Rabbit, Run* for £8.99 plus £1.50 p&p, call 0344 245 8092 quote ref RTBKS17 or visit radiotimes.com/books17

10.00 News and Weather

10.15 The Spark
2/4. Helen Lewis meets writers and thinkers who are breaking new ground. Tonight, she is with social entrepreneur Hilary Cottam, who explains her ideas about how to revolutionise the welfare state. Repeated from Wednesday

11.00 Quote…Unquote
3/6. Nigel Rees hosts the quotations quiz, with a panel of Esther Rantzen, Steve Pemberton and Konnie Huq. Rptd from Monday

11.30 Art of Now: the Tides of the Staithe
Kevin Crossley-Holland reflects on the magic and the menace of the tides at Burnham Overy Staithe on the Norfolk coast.
Producer Sarah Peters Repeated from Sunday

12.00 News and Weather

12.30–12.45am Short Works
Monica Dolan reads *Photos from Krakow* by Elizabeth J Kuti. Celine has planned a short break to Krakow with a friend. Before she leaves, she visits her ailing uncle, who asks her to bring something back. Repeated from yesterday

1.00 as BBC World Service

BBC Radio 4 Extra

DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4extra
Freeview 708 **Freesat** 708 **Sky** 0131 **Virgin** 910

6.00am CHOICE: From Russia with Love Toby Stephens stars as James Bond in Archie Scottney's adaptation of Ian Fleming's 1957 novel – the fifth in the series. With Eileen Atkins, Mark Gatiss, John Sessions, Jon Glover, Janie Dee, Olga Fedori, Julian Sands, Tim Pigott-Smith and others. From 2012
7.30 Recycled Radio as 5.30pm
8.00 Archive on 4: David Bowie: Verbatim A journey through the life and career of David Bowie, told in his own words and Incorporating interviews, studio out-takes and musings from throughout his life. First aired in January 2016, just after his death
9.00 Peel Acres: John Peel Remembered Jarvis Cocker pays tribute to the hugely influential BBC disc jockey, featuring contributions from Peel's wife Sheila, a classic instalment of his 1999–2004 Radio 4 show *Home Truths* and his January 1990 appearance on *Desert Island Discs*. First broadcast in October 2014 to mark the tenth anniversary of his death, aged 65 See 11.30am and Monday 2.15pm
11.30 A Good Read A literary discussion with Arabella Weir and John Peel. From 2001
12.00 The Unbelievable Truth Game show (6/6)
12.30pm Electric Ink Comedy (1/6)
1.00 Subterranean Homesick Blues Bill Nighy and Anna Calder Marshall return for a fourth series of AL Kennedy's romantic comedy – omnibus (1–5/5)
2.10 Inheritance Tracks With DJ Norman Jay
2.15 Frankly Speaking A November 1953 edition of the BBC's Home Service's pioneering three-way interview series, featuring author Evelyn Waugh
2.45 A Sacrifice at Christmas By Dafydd Ifans
3.00 Archive on 4: David Bowie: Verbatim
4.00 CHOICE: From Russia with Love as 6am
5.30 Recycled Radio Cartoonist Gerald Scarfe uses recordings of politicians Tony Blair, Bill Clinton and Michael Howard to explore the concept and meaning of truth. From 2014
6.00 Dan Dare: 21st Century Spaceman Science journalist Richard Hollingham asks if the reality of space exploration is catching up with the futuristic Dan Dare universe depicted in 1950 (1/2)
6.25 Dan Dare: Reign of the Robots *New series* Ed Stoppard stars as Dan Dare in Simon Guerrier's sci-fi adventure. With Geoff McGivern (as Digby), Heida Reed and (as Professor Peabody). From 2018 (1/7)
7.00 Peel Acres: John Peel Remembered as 9am
9.30 A Good Read as 11.30am
10.00–12.00 Comedy Club: It's Jocelyn (4/4), at **10.30 Bridget Christie's Christmas List**, at **10.45 Adam and Joe's Famous Guy**, at **11.00 Alexei Sayle's Imaginary Sandwich Bar** (1/4), and at **11.30 Ross Noble Goes Global** (4/4)
12.00 as 6pm **12.25am** as 6.25pm **1.00** as 1pm **2.10** as 2.10pm **2.15** as 2.15pm **2.45** as 2.45pm **3.00** as 8am **4.00** as 6am **5.30** as 5.30pm

BBC World Service

DAB bbc.co.uk/worldserviceradio
Freeview* 710 **Freesat** 711 **Sky** 0115 **Virgin** 906
Programmes may differ online, and on Freesat, Sky, and Virgin
5.00am News **5.05** The Newsroom **5.30** The Hurricane Tapes: the true story of the triple murder convictions of boxer Rubin "Hurricane" Carter **5.50** 50 More Things That Made the Modern Economy **6.00** News **6.05** Weekend **8.30** In the Balance **9.00** News **9.05** The World This Week **9.30** The Documentary: The Rainbow Railroad **10.00** Sports Hour **11.00** News **11.05** The Newsroom **11.30** The Hurricane Tapes **11.50** Over to You **12.05pm** Music Life: Leron Thomas **1.00** Newshour **2.00** News **2.05** Sportsworld **3.00** News **3.00** Sportsworld **4.00** News **4.00** Sportsworld **5.00** News **5.00** Sportsworld **6.00** The Newsroom **6.30** The Hurricane Tapes **6.50** More or Less **7.00** News **7.05** The History Hour **8.00** News **8.05** The Arts Hour **9.00** Newshour **10.00** News **10.05** The Newsroom **10.20** Sports News **10.30** Boston Calling **11.00** News **11.05** From Our Own Correspondent **11.30** Outlook **12.00** News **12.05am** Hardtalk **12.30** Crowd Science **1.00** News **1.05** The World This Week **1.30** In the Balance **2.00** News **2.05** The Newsroom **2.30** The Missing Cryptoqueen **2.50** Over to You **3.00** News **3.05** The Documentary: Living the Star Wars **4.00** News **4.05** From Our Own Correspondent **4.30** Boston Calling

BBC Radio 5 Live

693, 909 MW DAB bbc.co.uk/fivelive
F'view 705 **F'sat** 705 **Sky** 0105 **Virgin** 905
Sports Extra F'view 706 **F'sat** 706
Sky 0144 **Virgin** 908
News and **sport** bulletin every half-hour
Times vary during live sports coverage

5.00am 5 Live Boxing
5.30 Robbie Savage's Premier League Breakfast
6.00 Saturday Breakfast

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
7.00–10.10am Cricket
Sydney Thunder v Adelaide Strikers.

9.00 Scott Mills and Chris Stark

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
10.10am–2.40pm Cricket
Perth Scorchers v Melbourne Renegades, a Big Bash match.

11.00 Fighting Talk
Colin Murray plays judge and jury.
12.00 5 Live Sport
Mark Chapman is joined by former footballers Dion Dublin and Alan Shearer to look ahead to the day's matches. Plus sports news and updates from Everton v Arsenal (kick-off **12.30**). At **3.00pm** there's commentary on a Premier League match, plus updates from today's other fixtures. And at **5.00 Sports Report**, with results and reactions to the day's games and updates from Manchester City v Leicester City (kick-off **5.30**).

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
2.55–5.00pm Rugby Union
Commentary on a Premiership match (kick-off **3.00**).

6.00pm 6-0-6 Phone-in.
8.00 Kermode and Mayo's Film Review Weekly movie guide.
9.00 Stephen Nolan
12.00 Brexitcast Geeky chat.
12.30am As Heard on BBC Sounds
1.00 Up All Night
With Dotun Adebayo.

Talksport

1053, 1089 MW DAB talksport.co.uk
F'view 723 **F'sat** 731 **Sky** 0108 **Virgin** 927
6.00am GameDay Breakfast
9.00 GameDay Warm Up
11.00 GameDay Exclusive
2.30pm GameDay Live
Adrian Durham presides over the day's football matches.
5.15 GameDay Exclusive
7.30 GameDay: Your Verdict
9.00 Fight Night Boxing coverage.
12.00 Extra Time

LBC

97.3 FM (London area) DAB lbc.co.uk
F'view 732 **F'sat** 734 **Sky** 0124 **Virgin** 919
5.00am Best of Steve Allen
6.00 In Conversation with Steve Allen In-depth interviews.
7.00 Andrew Castle
Fast-paced topicalshow.
10.00 Matt Frei
12.00 Maajid Nawaz
3.00pm Ian Payne
6.00 Clive Bull
10.00 Nick Abbot
1.00am Matt Stadlen

Asian Network

DAB bbc.co.uk/asiannetwork
F'view 709 **F'sat** 709 **Sky** 0119 **Virgin** 912
5.00am Desi Dancefloor Mix
5.30 AJD's Bhangra versus Bollywood Mix
6.00 Jasmine Takhar
10.00 Raj and Pablo
Bollywood previews, star interviews, film reviews and Mumbai gossip.
1.00pm Emily Lloyd-Saini
4.00 AJD
7.00 Panjabi Hit Squad
10.00 Nucleya
1.00am Kenny Allstar
3.00 Nucleya (R)

*Not available on Freeview in Scotland 4pm–1am. **Key** (R) Repeat

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SUNDAY Radio

Today's Choices



Carpenters, A Song for You
5.00pm ***Radio 2***

Like Abba, the Carpenters are one of those groups that people are returning to. After years of sneering, we've only just begun to reappraise the Californian siblings. There was a magnificence to Richard's arrangements, a warmth and purity to Karen's voice… and let's face it, there's no substitute for a good tune. Richard has always been honest, articulate and moving when asked about the whirlwind years of their success, and about his sister, who died in 1983. So hopes are high for Graham Norton's interview, which is sprinkled with their deceptively easy-on-the-ear hits. **MARK BRAXTON**

The Food Programme
12.30pm ***Radio 4***

There's no grander name on the London restaurant scene than Le Gavroche. Michel Roux Jr has overseen its stunning gastronomic creations for 30 years, and here he talks life and food with Sheila Dillon. There are also appearances by Michel's father, Albert – co-founder of Le Gavroche – and daughter, fellow restaurateur Emily. **SIMON O'HAGAN**

BEST OF THE REST…

In **Open Book** *(4.00pm Radio 4)* Mariella Frostrup revisits the programme's best interviews of the year, and the world of Mervyn Peake comes to life in **Drama: Mr Pye** *(3.00pm Radio 4)*. On **The Listening Service** *(5.00pm Radio 3)*, Tom Service looks at the ingredients that make up Yuletide music. **Drama on 3: Winter Solstice** *(7.30pm Radio 3)* promises laughs with an edge, but while that's airing, fans of John Shuttleworth will be glued to Graham Fellows's great comic creation in **The Shuttleworths** *(7.15pm Radio 4)*.

JONATHAN CUSICK

BBC Radio 1

97.6–99.8 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio1
F'view* 700 **F'sat** 700 **Sky** 0101 **Virgin** 901

7.00am Matt and Mollie
10.00 Radio 1 Anthems
11.00 Jordan North Music and chat.
1.00pm Dev and Alice
4.00 Radio 1's Life Hacks
6.00 The Official Chart: First Look on Radio 1
7.00 Radio 1's Chillest Show
9.00 Daniel P Carter Loud rock.
11.00 BBC Music Introducing
1.00am Radio 1's Essential Mix
3.00 Radio 1's Wind Down
4.00 Katie Thistleton

BBC Radio 2

88–90.2 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio2
F'view* 702 **F'sat** 702 **Sky** 0102 **Virgin** 902

6.00am Good Morning Sunday The Rev Kate Bottley and Jason Mohammad celebrate the start of Hanukkah. Plus guests including Bing Crosby's daughter Mary.
9.00 Steve Wright's Sunday Love Songs Personal dedications.
11.00 The Michael Ball Show Longtime married partners Martin Kemp (ex-Spandau Ballet) and Shirlie (Holliman) Kemp (of Pepsi and Shirlie) perform together for the first time.
1.00pm Elaine Paige on Sunday
3.00 Sounds of the 70s With listeners' seasonal requests.
5.00 Carpenters, A Song for You RT In a new interview, consummate pop craftsman Richard Carpenter reminisces about both popular and lesser-known records created by him and sister Karen, from *Crescent Noon* to *Calling Occupants of Interplanetary Craft*. Producer Malcolm Prince
6.00 Young Choristers of the Year The grand final of this year's 33rd annual competition celebrating young talent (between the ages of 11 and 17) singing for worship. Recorded in October at the BBC Philharmonic Studios in Salford. Judges include chair Bob Chilcott, baritone star Gerald Finley and classical-pop singer Camilla Kerslake.
7.00 Claudia Winkleman Following her autumn stint as *Strictly* presenter, Claudia returns with guests Mary Berry and Jamie Oliver.
9.00 Bruno Tonioli at the Opera ***2/4.*** A look at opera choruses.
10.00 The Swing and Big Band Show with Clare Teal
11.00 Jools Holland ***11/13.*** With guest Rick Wakeman.
12.00 OJ Borg Music and chat
3.00am Sounds of the 60s (R)

BBC 6 Music

DAB bbc.co.uk/6music
Freeview 707 **Freesat** 707 **Sky** 0120 **Virgin** 909

7.00am Mark Radcliffe and Stuart Maconie A winter-themed show with live music by the Unthanks.
10.00 Cerys Matthews
1.00pm 6 Music's Best of the Festivals Festivals of yesteryear.
2.00 Guy Garvey Rptd 12 midnight
4.00 Amy Lamé With guests.
6.00 Now Playing @6Music
8.00 Stuart Maconie's Freak Zone Musical rarities.
10.00 Don Letts's Culture Clash Radio The Upsetters' 1973 dub LP *Black Board Jungle* is showcased.
12.00 Guy Garvey (R)
2.00am The BBC Introducing Mixtape
3.00 Live Hour Festive performances.
4.00 Wise Women Jodie Whittaker with a travel-themed playlist. From 2017.
5.00 Chris Hawkins

BBC Radio 3

90.2–92.4 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio3
Freeview* 703 **Freesat** 703 **Sky** 0103 **Virgin** 903
News and **weather** 7.00am, 8.00, 9.00, 1.00pm

7.00am Breakfast With Martin Handley.
9.00 Sunday Morning Sarah Walker presents English and German carols sung by the choir of King's College, Cambridge.
12.00 Private Passions RT Michael Berkeley is joined by British choreographer and director Matthew Bourne, who reflects on his upbringing and the challenges of his career. He recalls listening to Tchaikovsky and Prokofiev repeatedly, and among his choices are pieces by Percy Grainger and Bernard Herrmann, *Climb Ev'ry Mountain (The Sound of Music)* and excerpts from *Mary Poppins*. Producer Elizabeth Burke
Festive highlights: pages 248–249
1.00pm Radio 3 Lunchtime Concert Monday's recital from Wigmore Hall, London. Presented by Andrew McGregor.
Elisabeth Kulman (mezzo), Eduard Kutrowatz (piano)
Schubert *Der Flug der Zeit, D51; Gretchen am Spinnrade, D118; Du bist die Ruh, D776*
Liszt *Go Not, Happy Day; Die drei Zigeuner; Jeanne d'Arc au bûcher*
Britten *Tell Me the Truth about Love; Johnny; Funeral Blues*
Porter *Miss Otis Regrets*
Weill *Pirate Jenny (The Threepenny Opera)* Rptd from Mon
2.00 The Early Music Show Hannah French is joined by vocal ensemble Stile Antico to explore festive choral music.
3.00 Choral Evensong Recorded 12 November at Exeter Cathedral. Introit: Misterium mirabile (Rooney). Responses: Philip Moore. Psalm 93, 94 (Woodward, Wesley, Rogers). First Lesson: Exodus 3, vv1–6. Canticles: The Exeter Service (Muhly). Second Lesson: Acts 7, vv20–36. Anthem: The Burning Bush (Shephard). Prayer Anthem: Jesus Christ the Apple Tree (Poston). Voluntary: Toccata, Fugue et Hymne Sur Ave Maris Stella (Peeters). Director of music Timothy Noon. Assistant director of music Timothy Parsons. Rptd from Wed
4.00 Jazz Record Requests With Alyn Shipton. Featuring Lee Konitz, Kenny Wheeler, Miles Davis and Harry Connick Jr.
5.00 The Listening Service **Parapapampam.** Yuletide music – what are its origins, its essential ingredients and its intrinsic worth? Tom Service has been listening to a lot of it, and the programme features contributions from writer Judith Flanders (*Christmas: a Biography*, 2017) as well as some of those whose perennial Christmas hits invariably provide the season's soundtrack. Producer David Papp Rptd Fri 27 Dec 4.30pm
5.30 Words and Music Actors Dominic West and Ruth Bradley explore the challenging aspects of Christmas such as useless presents, tedious board games, relentless relatives and excruciating office parties. Featuring Bridget Jones, Dr Seuss, the March sisters and the most infamous Christmas grump of all – Ebenezer Scrooge.
6.45 Sunday Feature: Rewiring Raymond Scott The legacy of electronic music pioneer Raymond Scott (1908–94), who in the 1950s established one of America's first electronic studios, equipped with instruments of his own devising. Producer Dan Shepherd
7.30 Drama on 3: Winter Solstice RT Comedy drama by Roland Schimmelpfennig. It's Christmas Eve in the flat where unhappy arty intellectuals Albert and Bettina live with their little daughter. Bettina's difficult mother has arrived, and she has brought with her a total stranger with some rather uncomfortable views. Translated from German by David Tushingham.

Albert	**Sam Troughton**	Rudolph	**David Haig**
Bettina	**Clare Corbett**	Konrad	**Christopher Harper**
Voice	**Sinead MacInnes**		

Producer Abigail le Fleming
Festive highlights: pages 248–249
9.30 BBC Singers This year marks the centenary of the birth of David Willcocks, whose carol arrangements made famous by the choir of King's College, Cambridge, changed the landscape of choral music around the world. Anna Lapwood explores his career and speaks to people associated with him. And recorded in the chapel of King's College, Cambridge, the BBC Singers are joined by organist Ashley Grote in this final recording made with their conductor laureate Stephen Cleobury before his death last month, with performances of some of Willcocks's best-loved festive settings.
10.30 Radio 3 in Concert Fiona Talkington introduces highlights from concerts recorded in Ljubljana and Schwarzburg.
CPE Bach *Keyboard Sonata in E minor, Wq59 No 1*
Marc-André Hamelin (piano)
Shostakovich *Violin Concerto No 1* Robert Lakatos, RTV Slovenia SO, conductor James Tuggle
11.30 Slow Radio: The Last Oozings – Cider Making in Somerset The sounds of cider-making by Matthew Bryant at an orchard in the village of Haselbury Plucknett, where the apples are processed using traditional methods and 19th-century equipment. Producer Julian May
12.00 Classical Fix Clemency Burton-Hill picks music for Alix Fox. (R)
12.30am Through the Night With Catriona Young.
Mahler *Symphony No 2 (Resurrection)* Cui Zhengrong (soprano), Yang Jie (mezzo), China Opera and Dance Drama Chorus, Guangzhou SO, conductor Long Yu **1.43 Chopin** *Andante spianato et grande polonaise brillante, Op 22* **1.59 Mozart** *String Quartet in C, K465 (Dissonance)* **2.31 Beethoven** *Piano Concerto No 3 in C minor, Op 37* **3.07 Gorecki** *Miserere, Op 44* **3.42 Chiel Meijering** *La Vengeance d'une femme* **3.48 Mirko Krajci** *Four Dances (Don Juan)* **3.56 Busoni** *Sonatina No 6 (Fantasia da camera sur Carmen)* **4.04 JC Bach** *Quintet in G, Op 11 No 2* **4.13 Stradella** *Ardo, sospiro e piango* **4.20 Abel** *Symphony in C, Op 10 No 4* **4.31 Schubert, orch Webern** *Six German Dances, D820* **4.40 Gounod, arr Liszt** *Waltz (Faust)* **4.50 Bach** *Four Schemelli Chorales (BWV478, 484, 492 and 502)* **5.00 Albinoni** *Concerto in C, Op 9 No 9* **5.11 Paganini** *Duetto amoroso* **5.21 Mozart** *Nine Variations on a Minuet by Duport, K573* **5.31 John Carmichael** *Trumpet Concerto* **5.56 Telemann** *Violin Sonata in A (Essercizii musici)* **6.05 CPE Bach** *Flute Concerto in G, Wq169* (R)

Scala Radio

DAB scalaradio.co.uk Sky 0216

6.00am In the Park Calming sounds.
7.00 Jamie Crick Including tunes from musicals.
10.00 Chris Rogers and Anthea Turner
1.00pm The Scala Christmas Kitchen with Nigel Barden Seasonal dishes. Repeated Christmas Eve 7pm
3.00 Alexis Ffrench With one of his own seasonal works, plus music by Berlioz, Leroy Anderson and more.
5.00 The Scala Jukebox Sam Hughes plays Christmas pop songs with a classical or choral twist.
6.00 The Best of Faithless Presents Sister Bliss Highlights from the series aired in September.
8.00 Sunday Night Scala A carol concert linked to the Nordoff Robbins music therapy charity.
10.00 The Console with Luci Holland (R)
11.00 William Orbit in the Space
1.00am Night Music Nonstop classical music.

Absolute Radio

DAB absoluteradio.co.uk
F'view 727 **F'sat** 724 **Sky** 0107 **Virgin** 915

8.00am Jason Manford 11.00 Sarah Champion 2.00pm Pete Donaldson 6.00 Request Show with Claire Sturgess 8.00 Time To Listen 8.30 Sunday Night Music Club 12.00 Jay Lawrence

Classic FM

99.9–101.9 FM DAB classicfm.com
Freeview 731 **Freesat** 721 **Sky** 0106 **Virgin** 922

7.00am Aled Jones With a **Choral Classic** at **8.15** and, from **9.00**, the **Classic Hall of Fame Hour**.
10.00 Bill Turnbull With popular favourites.
1.00pm Alexander Armstrong Uplifting music.
3.00 Charlotte Hawkins With a carol concert in aid of the Prince's Foundation, recorded on Wednesday at St Paul's Church, Knightsbridge in London, with its choir performing seasonal favourites. Plus readings by special guests Samantha Bond, Jane Asher and Robert Powell.
5.00 The Classic FM Chart John Brunning with the week's top 30 albums.
7.00 David Mellor Seasonal favourites including hugely popular works by Handel, Humperdinck, Waldteufel and Tchaikovsky.
9.00 Everything You Ever Wanted to Know about Classical Music Soprano Catherine Bott looks back on 2019 with a pick of the wide-ranging classical music topics she's investigated, including listeners' questions, little-known facts and favourite themes.
10.00 Smooth Classics With Myleene Klass.
1.00am Bob Jones

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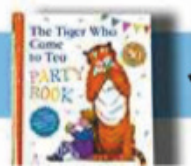

Judith Kerr's The Tiger Who Came to Tea *Party Book* See p58

BBC Radio 4

92.4–94.6 FM 198 LW DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4
Freeview 704 **Freesat** 704 (FM) 710 (LW)
Sky 0104 (FM) 0143 (LW) **Virgin** 904 (FM) 911 (LW)
News 5.30am, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 12 noon and hourly to 12 midnight
Weather 6.57am, 7.57, 12.57pm, 5.57, 9.59, 12.15am
Shipping Forecasts 5.20am, 12.01pm (*LW*), 5.54, 12.48am

5.30am News Briefing

5.43 Bells on Sunday From Sheffield Cathedral.

5.45 Profile Repeated from yesterday 7pm

6.00 News Summary

6.05 Something Understood
Parochialism. Mark Tully explores the strengths and limitations of parochialism, with reference to the 18th-century philosopher Jean-Jacques Rousseau, 19th-century novelist Anthony Trollope, contemporary Indian poet Arvind Mehrotra, and Simon and Garfunkel.
Producer Adam Fowler (R)

6.35 Living World
***2/4.* Jackdaw Roost.** Joanna Pinnock visits Cambridgeshire to observe the social habits of jackdaws. Producer Andrew Dawes (R)

7.00 News; Sunday Papers

7.10 Sunday News review.

7.54 Radio 4 Appeal
Yachtswoman Ellen MacArthur makes an appeal on behalf of the Ellen MacArthur Cancer Trust.
Repeated 9.25pm and Boxing Day 3.27pm
Donations: Freepost BBC Radio 4 Appeal, marked Ellen MacArthur Cancer Trust on the back of the envelope; Credit cards: Freephone 0800 404 8144; online via the Radio 4 website

8.00 News; Sunday Papers

8.10 Sunday Worship
For the Fourth Sunday in Advent, live from Fisherwick Presbyterian Church Belfast with an introduction by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby and music from the Chapel Choir of Methodist College. Led by the College Chaplain, the Rev Emily Hyland. Luke 1.26–38 While Shepherd's watched their flocks (*Winchester Old*); The Marvellous Birth (Chilcott); Silent Night (Gruber arr, Rose); Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day (Archer); The Colours of Christmas (Rutter); Mary's Magnificat (Carter). Director of music Ruth McCartney. Organist Dr Joseph McKee. Producer Bert Tosh

8.48 A Point of View
Reflections on a topical issue. Rptd from Friday

8.58 Tweet of the Day
The Twelve Tweets of Christmas
Introduced by actress Alison Steadman. (R)

9.00 Broadcasting House
Presented by Paddy O'Connell.

10.00 The Archers Omnibus edition.

11.15 Desert Island Discs
RT The writer, director and actor Stephen Merchant is Lauren Laverne's castaway.
Producer Cathy Drysdale Rptd Friday 27 Dec 9am
Festive highlights: pages 248–249

12.04pm I'm Sorry I Haven't a Clue
6/6. Second of two editions recorded at the Richmond theatre in London, with Jack Dee in the chair, and a panel of Graeme Garden, Barry Cryer, Tim Brooke-Taylor and Sandi Toksvig.
Repeated from Monday

12.30 The Food Programme
RT Sheila Dillon meets two-star Michelin chef Michel Roux Jr of Le Gavroche restaurant in London.
Producer Lucy Taylor Repeated tomorrow 3.30pm

1.00 The World This Weekend
With Mark Mardell.

1.30 From Our Home Correspondent
Mishal Husain presents dispatches from correspondents across the UK.

2.00 Gardeners' Question Time
Kathy Clugston is at Levens Hall in the Lake District for a correspondence edition. Matthew Wilson, James Wong and Christine Walkden are on the panel. Repeated from Friday

2.45 The Listening Project
Members of the public share intimate conversations in a project to build a picture of what life is like today. Presented by Fi Glover. (R)

3.00 Drama: Mr Pye
1/2. Glyn Maxwell's dramatisation of Mervyn Peake's charming and troubling 1936 satire on the nature of good and evil. Retired bank manager and evangelist Harold Pye arrives on Sark in the Channel Islands and finds a society riven by feuds and squabbles – and he is delighted. Concludes Sunday 29 December.

Mr Pye **Adrian Scarborough**
Miss Dredger **Deborah Findlay**
Thorpe/Major Overshot **Christopher Harper**
Tintagieu **Emily Bowker**
Kiki/Mrs Porter **Emma Noakes**
Miss George/ Dr Moraine **Jane Whittenshaw**
Pawgy **Alex Blake**
Pepe/Cragg/Outcrop **Thomas Delacourt**
Director Frank Stirling

4.00 Open Book
Mariella Frostrup with highlights of interviews from 2019, celebrating the books and authors of the year. Repeated Boxing Day 3.30pm

4.30 Four Seasons
Poetry to see listeners through the shortest days of winter. With reflections on midwinter from Jay Griffiths and Lia Leendertz.
Producer Mair Bosworth Rptd Sat 28 December 11.30pm

5.00 The Misinformation Virus
Journalist Angela Saini explores how scientists are responding to the online spread of dangerous misinformation, from anti-vaccination campaigns to climate change denial.
Producer Fiona Hill Repeated from Tuesday

5.40 Profile Repeated from yesterday 7pm

6.00 Six o'Clock News

6.15 Pick of the Week With Antonia Quirke.

7.00 The Archers
Rex gets an answer, meanwhile Kenton has another sleepless night.
For cast see Friday 3 January Repeated tomorrow 2pm
See Saturday 28 December 4pm 4 Extra

7.15 The Shuttleworths
RT **Your Very Good Elf.** Comedy written and performed by Graham Fellows. John Shuttleworth's wife Mary has cancelled Christmas because their children, Karen and Darren, have decided to spend Christmas Day elsewhere. So instead of preparing for the big day, John finds himself taking down the Christmas tree and putting away the chocolate brazils. Producer Dawn Ellis
Festive highlights: pages 248–249

7.45 A Run in the Park
8/10. David Park's stories of a group of runners training to tackle a 5km parkrun. As Yana runs along the river, she realises that she must confront the tragedy she's been running away from since the refugee camp in Lebanon. Read by Lara Sawalha.
Producer Michael Shannon

8.00 Feedback
Roger Bolton fields listeners' comments and puts them to programme-makers.
Repeated from Friday

8.30 Last Word
Matthew Bannister celebrates the lives of famous and less well-known people who have recently died. Repeated from Friday

9.00 Money Box Rptd from yesterday 12.04pm

9.25 Radio 4 Appeal Repeated from 7.54am

9.30 In Business
***4/9.* Belarus: Harvesting the Whirlwind.** More than 30 years on from the Chernobyl disaster, Monica Whitlock visits the Belarussian contamination zone and its hinterland to see how the economy and way of life have adapted. Repeated from Thursday

10.00 Meeting Myself Coming Back
Another chance to hear the audio memories of the writer, critic, TV personality and poet Clive James, who died in November. In this programme first broadcast in 2012, James hears clips from moments in his life and discusses his reaction to them with John Wilson. They include a recording from his student days in Cambridge performing a comic monologue, and early appearances on radio in the company of the novelist Kingsley Amis.
Producer Emma Kingsley (R) See Mon 30 December 9.45am

11.00 The Moth Radio Hour
Excerpts from the annual National Cowboy Poetry Gathering.

11.50 A Point of View
A reflection on a topical issue. Rptd from Friday

12.00 News

12.15–12.45am Rewinder
2/3. Greg James, usually heard on the Radio 1 breakfast show, is let loose in the BBC's unmatched archives of audio, video and images, and hand-picks nuggets which shine new light on current stories of the day.
Producer Paula McGinley (R)

1.00 as BBC World Service

BBC Radio 4 Extra

DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4extra
Freeview 708 **Freesat** 708 **Sky** 0131 **Virgin** 910

6.00am Eating for England as 1pm
7.15 Nay, Ivy, Nay Festive tale by Shena Mackay
7.30 Guilt Trip By Katherine Jakeways (2/4)
8.00 Life with the Lyons 1953 comedy
8.30 The Clitheroe Kid 1962 comedy
9.00 Letters from Tove as 8pm
10.10 The Listening Project With Fi Glover
10.15 Desert Island Discs Revisited as 9.15pm
11.00 The Moth Radio Hour Real USA tales (7/8)
11.50 David Attenborough's Life Stories
12.00 Life with the Lyons 1953 comedy
12.30pm The Clitheroe Kid 1962 comedy
1.00 Eating for England Inventive adaptation by Sarah Daniels of the detailed part-memoir work of chef and cookery writer Nigel Slater. With Julian Rhind-Tutt, Celia Imrie, Fenella Woolgar and, in a cameo appearance, Nigel Slater. From 2014 (1–5/5)
2.15 Nay, Ivy, Nay Festive tale by Shena Mackay
2.30 La Belle Sauvage Simon Russell Beale reads an adaptation by Doreen Estall of the first work in Philip Pullman's *Book of Dust* trilogy – both a prequel and follow-up to the trilogy *His Dark Materials*. From 2017. An adaptation of the new second work, *The Secret Commonwealth*, starts tomorrow on Radio 4 and on 29 December on 4 Extra (6–10/10)
3.45 Who Ate All the Pies? With Ian McMillan (5/5)
4.00 The Day of the Locust Dramatisation by Jim Poyser of Nathaniel West's caustically satirical 1939 novel about Hollywood. With Simon Lee Phillips, Laura Aikman, Kerry Shale and others. From 2015
5.00 CHOICE: Poetry Extra With Daljit Nagra
Festive highlights: pages 248–249
5.30 Guilt Trip By Katherine Jakeways (2/4)
6.00 The Twilight Zone Adaptation of Rod Serling's 1960 TV episode *Night of the Meek*, in which Santa Claus turns up late at a department store. With Christopher McDonald. From 2004
6.40 A Dreadful Night Alex McCowen reads Anton Chekhov's 1886 short story. From 1990
7.00 The Moth Radio Hour Real USA tales (7/8)
7.50 David Attenborough's Life Stories
8.00 Letters from Tove Sarah Lambie reads from the intimate letters of Moomins creator Tove Jansson (1914–2001). Abridged by Polly Coles (1–5/5)
9.10 The Listening Project With Fi Glover
9.15 Desert Island Discs Revisited A 1990 edition with comic actress June Whitfield (1925–2018)
10.00–12.00 Comedy Club: Guilt Trip (2/4), at **10.30 The Remains of Foley and McColl** (4/4), at **11.00 2000 Years of Radio** (4/6), at **11.15 Hannah Gadsby: Arts Clown** (4/4), at **11.30 The Harpoon**
12.00 as 6pm **12.40am** as 6.40pm **1.00** as 1pm **2.15** as 2.15pm **2.30** as 2.30pm **3.45** as 3.45pm **4.00** as 4pm **5.00** as 5pm **5.30** as 5.30pm

BBC World Service

DAB bbc.co.uk/worldserviceradio
Freeview* 710 **Freesat** 711 **Sky** 0115 **Virgin** 906
Programmes may differ online, and on Freesat, Sky, and Virgin
5.00am News **5.05** The Newsroom **5.30** The Cultural Frontline **6.00** Weekend **8.30** The Food Chain **9.00** News **9.05** From Our Own Correspondent **9.30** Heart and Soul **10.00** News **10.05** The Compass **10.30** Outlook **11.00** News **11.05** The Newsroom **11.30** The Cultural Frontline **12.05pm** The World This Week **12.30** Science in Action **1.00** Newshour **2.00** News **2.05** The Documentary **3.00** News **3.05** The Forum **3.50** 50 More Things That Made the Modern Economy **4.00** News **4.05** Sportsworld **7.00** The Newsroom **7.30** In the Balance **8.00** News **8.05** Music Life **9.00** Newshour: the stories behind the latest headlines **10.05** The Newsroom **10.20** Sports News **10.30** The Missing Cryptoqueen **10.50** 50 More Things That Made the Modern Economy **11.00** News **11.05** The Cultural Frontline **11.30** Heart and Soul **12.00** News **12.05am** People Fixing the World **12.30** Discovery **1.00** News **1.05** World Business Report: informed analysis **1.30** Digital Planet **2.00** News **2.05** The Newsroom **2.30** Healthcheck: health issues and medical breakthroughs **3.00** News **3.05** The Forum **3.50** Sporting Witness **4.00** News **4.05** Hardtalk **4.30** The Conversation

BBC Radio 5 Live

693, 909 MW DAB bbc.co.uk/fivelive
F'view 705 **F'sat** 705 **Sky** 0105 **Virgin** 905
Sports Extra F'view 706 **F'sat** 706
Sky 0144 **Virgin** 908
News and **sport** bulletin every half-hour
Times vary during live sports coverage

5.00am 5 Live Science
6.00 Sunday Breakfast

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
8.00am–12.30pm Cricket
Sydney Sixers v Brisbane Heat, commentary on the Big Bash match from the Sydney Cricket Ground.

9.00 Pienaar's Politics
10.00 Laura Whitmore
Big-name guests from the worlds of music, showbiz and politics.
11.30 5 Live Sport
Sports news and features, including **The Squad with Nick Bright**, in which Nick and guests pick apart the weekends football. At **12.30pm** Steve Crossman is joined by former footballers Clinton Morrison and Ben Haines for build-up to today's Premier League matches, with live commentary on Watford v Manchester United at **2.00**. From **4.00** there's analysis and build-up to Tottenham Hotspur v Chelsea, with live commentary at **4.30**.

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
2.55–5.00 Rugby Union
London Irish v Bath, the Premiership match from Madejski Stadium (kick-off **3.00**).

6.30pm 6-0-6
Robbie Savage with a football phone-in.
8.00 Blood on the Tracks
Colin Murray invites Al Murray, Karen Clifton, Levi Roots and Laura Whitmore to discuss music. (R)
9.00 How Do You Cope? With Elis and John
Guests discuss life challenges.
10.00 Stephen Nolan
1.00am Up All Night

Talksport

1053, 1089 MW DAB talksport.co.uk
F'view 723 **F'sat** 731 **Sky** 0108 **Virgin** 927
6.00am Weekend Sports Breakfast With Georgie Bingham and Tony Cascarino.
9.30 Gloryhunters
With Charlie Baker.
11.00 Warm Up
1.00pm Sunday Exclusive
5.00 The Final Word
8.00 On the Sporting Couch
9.00 Trans Euro Express
12.00 Extra Time
5.00am Early Breakfast

LBC

97.3 FM (London area) DAB lbc.co.uk
F'view 732 **F'sat** 734 **Sky** 0124 **Virgin** 919
5.00am Steve Allen
7.00 Andrew Castle
10.00 Nigel Farage
12.00 Maajid Nawaz
3.00pm Ian Payne
6.00 Clive Bull
9.00 In Conversation with Steve Allen
10.00 Tom Swarbrick
1.00am Darren Adam
4.00 Steve Allen Topical musings.

Asian Network

DAB bbc.co.uk/asiannetwork
F'view 709 **F'sat** 709 **Sky** 0119 **Virgin** 912
6.00am Jasmine Takhar
10.00 Gagan Grewal
1.00pm Preeya Kalidas
3.00 Waqas Saeed
5.00 Dipps Bhamrah Punjabi culture.
7.00 Nadia Ali
9.00 Ashanti Omkar
Music and culture of the South Indian and Sri Lankan communities.
11.00 Asian Network Residency
1.00am Radio 1's Essential Mix
3.00 DJ Edu

*Not available on Freeview in Scotland 4pm–1am. **Key** (R) Repeat

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MONDAY Radio

Today's Choices



The Secret Commonwealth
12.04pm ***Radio 4***

If BBC1's *His Dark Materials* adaptation whetted your appetite for Philip Pullman action, then you're in luck. This year Radio 4 is broadcasting a full audiobook of the acclaimed author's new follow-up novel *The Secret Commonwealth*, which catches up with heroine Lyra as an adult. As read with perfect poise by Simon Russell Beale, the story (the second of Pullman's planned *Book of Dust* trilogy) is darker and more complex than Lyra's early adventures, but just as compelling. **HUW FULLERTON**

Drama: Happiness!
2.15pm ***Radio 4***

"What a lovely day for throwing a stone through the windows of the Inland Revenue offices and shouting 'See if you can get blood out of that'," quips Ken Dodd, played with huge respect, never crude imitation, by David Threlfall. The drama centres on Dodd's 1989 trial for tax evasion and two great showmen at work: Dodd and his barrister George Carman QC (Clive Hayward). An unlikely relationship, it includes a poignant conversation with a ventriloquist's doll!
JANE ANDERSON

BEST OF THE REST...
In **Book of the Week: Last Christmas** *(all week, 9.45am/ 12.30am Radio 4)* ten writers tell personal stories of Christmas, while lovers of *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* won't want to miss **Beyond Belief** *(4.30pm Radio 4)*. Leo Green celebrates four pop years in **The Green Room** *(9.00pm Radio 2)* and Neil Gaiman is all over **Radio 3 in Concert** *(7.30pm Radio 3)*. There's a coup for **The Museum of Curiosity** *(6.15pm Radio 4)* on which JK Rowling guests.

JESÚS SOTES

BBC Radio 1

97.6–99.8 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio1
F'view* 700 **F'sat** 700 **Sky** 0101 **Virgin** 901

6.30am Matt and Mollie
10.00 Clara Amfo
1.00pm Harpz Kaur
4.00 Jordan North In for Grimmy.
7.00 Annie Mac Music and chat.
8.00 Radio 1's Power Down Playlist With Annie Mac celebrates.
9.00 Rickie, Melvin and Charlie
11.00 Radio 1's Indie Show
1.00am René LaVice Drum 'n' bass.
2.00 Radio 1's Drum 'n' Bass Mix
3.00 Radio 1's Chillout Anthems (R)
4.00 Katie Thistleton In for Adele.

BBC Radio 2

88–90.2 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio2
F'view* 702 **F'sat** 702 **Sky** 0102 **Virgin** 902

5.00am Nicki Chapman Sitting in for Vanessa Feltz.
6.30 Zoe Ball
9.30 Gary Davies Sitting in for Ken Bruce with chat, music and features including after **11.30** this week **Tracks of My Years**, featuring – two a day except Wednesday – eight of the all-time favourite records of singer and TV personality Jane McDonald.
12.00 Jeremy Vine With news and topical discussion, including a phone-in. Plus new music and a pick of hip pop oldies.
2.00pm Steve Wright
5.00 Sara Cox
7.00 Jack Savoretti's Seasonal Soundtrack
RT The Italian-British acoustic star showcases music from the movies, and offers a guide to films scheduled for the holiday period.
Producer Julie Newman
Festive highlights: pages 248–249
9.00 The Green Room
RT ***New series. 1/4.*** Over the next four evenings, saxophonist and broadcaster Leo Green is joined by his band and vocalists Hayley Sanderson, Jill Marie Cooper and Andy Caine – all featured vocalists on *Strictly Come Dancing* – to celebrate four pop years. They start with 1949, performing songs released that year and also songs associated with major stars born then including Bruce Springsteen, Billy Joel and Bonnie Raitt.
Producer Paul Thomas
Festive highlights: pages 248–249
10.00 Trevor Nelson's Rhythm Nation
12.00 OJ Borg Old and new pop, chat and features, with extensive listener input.
3.00am Sounds of the 70s (R)

BBC 6 Music

DAB bbc.co.uk/6music
Freeview 707 **Freesat** 707 **Sky** 0120 **Virgin** 909

7.30am Amy Lamé The 6 Music broadcaster and host of famous alternative London cabaret Duckie sits in for Lauren Laverne.
10.30 Mary Anne Hobbs
1.00pm Shaun Keaveny
4.00 Huw Stephens Sitting in for Steve Lamacq.
7.00 Marc Riley With more of the year's finest records and sessions, featuring music by Hawkwind, Marika Hackman and Ty Segall.
9.00 Gideon Coe BBC archive sets.
12.00 The Best of 6 Music Recommends With Lauren Laverne.
1.00am Wise Women *Catastrophe* writer and star Sharon Horgan picks the music. From 2017.
2.00 Jukebox With Chris Hawkins.
5.00 Chris Hawkins Archive sets.

BBC Radio 3

90.2–92.4 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio3
Freeview* 703 **Freesat** 703 **Sky** 0103 **Virgin** 903
News and **weather** Half-hourly 6.30–8.30am, 1pm, 5.00, 6.00

6.30am Breakfast With Petroc Trelawny.
9.00 Essential Classics With Ian Skelly.
9.30 Listeners' suggestions.
10.10 Musical Time Travellers
10.50 Choirmaster and broadcaster Gareth Malone discusses his cultural inspirations.
11.10 Essential Five Music from ballets.
11.30 Slow Moment Musical reflection.
12.00 Composer of the Week: Arcangelo Corelli (1653–1713)
1/5. **Corelli the European Phenomenon.** Corelli was an influential violinist and composer whose music rapidly spread far beyond Rome, thanks to the development of the printing press. But despite his fame and continuing popularity, little is known about him. This week, Donald Macleod explores the man and his music through his personal and professional relationships.
Corelli *Corrente (Trio Sonata in G minor, Op 4 No 2)* London Baroque
Concerto grosso in C minor, Op 6 No 3 Tafelmusik Baroque Orchestra, director Jean Lamon
Sonata in G, Op 1 No 9 Monica Huggett and Alison Bury (violins), Jaap ter Linden (cello), Hopkinson Smith (theorbo), Ton Koopman (harpsichord)
Handel *Ho un non so che nel cor (La resurrezione)* Nancy Argenta (soprano), Amsterdam Baroque Orchestra, director Ton Koopman
Corelli *Sonata in F, Op 5 No 10* Avison Ensemble
Concerto grosso in D, Op 6 No 1 English Concert, director Trevor Pinnock
RT OFFER *Corelli Complete Edition* (10 CDs) – featuring Musica Amphion directed by keyboardist Pieter-Jan Belder – is available for £31.95 incl p&p. Call 0115 982 7500 quoting ref 94112 or visit radiotimes.com/cds
1.00pm Radio 3 Lunchtime Concert Kate Molleson presents the first in a series of recitals featuring music by Grieg, among others. Recorded earlier this year at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland in Glasgow. Tobias Ringborg (violin), Marija Struckova (piano)
Stenhammar *Violin Sonata in A minor, Op 19*
Maxwell Davies *Dances (The Two Fiddlers)*
Grieg *Violin Sonata No 3 in C minor, Op 45*
2.00 Afternoon Concert A week of concerts from around Europe begins in Madrid, and includes a new double concerto by Christian Lindberg. Presented by Hannah French.
Prokofiev *Piano Concerto No 2*
Shostakovich *Symphony No 5* Nikolai Demidenko (piano), Spanish Radio and Television Symphony Orchestra, conductor Pablo González
3.25 Christian Lindberg *Un sueño morisco*
Nielsen *Symphony No 5* Pacho Flores (trumpet), Ximo Vicedo (trombone), conductor Christian Lindberg
4.30 Early Music Now Music by Telemann and Merula from the 4 Times Baroque ensemble in Cologne, plus festive early music by Bach and Vivaldi from the Swedish RSO in Stockholm. Presented by Hannah French.
5.00 New Generation Artists Ashley Riches (bass-baritone), Joseph Middleton (piano)
Schubert *Winterreise, D911*
6.15 Words and Music Hayley Atwell and Simon Callow read prose and poetry relating to the mystical number seven. With music by Haydn, Bartok, Strauss and Bowie. (R)
7.30 Radio 3 in Concert
RT In a concert recorded on 12 November at the Barbican, London, fantasy and graphic novel writer Neil Gaiman reads from his books, his dystopian visions interspersed with music. Actor David Tennant makes a guest appearance. Neil Gaiman and David Tennant (speakers), Amanda Palmer (singer/speaker), Simon Butteriss (baritone), BBCSO, conductor Alexander Vedernikov
Dukas *The Sorcerer's Apprentice*
Gershwin *Walking the Dog (Shall We Dance)*
Sullivan *Lord Chancellor's Nightmare Song (Iolanthe)*
Sibelius *Valse triste; Oriental March (Suite: Belshazzar's Feast)*
Wagner *Ride of the Valkyries (Die Walküre)*
Herrmann *Fahrenheit 451 – Prelude*
Britten *Dies irae (Sinfonia da requiem)*
Sherwin, arr Bischoff *A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square*
David Arnold *Good Omens (opening titles)*
Shortened repeat Christmas Day 6am/New Year's Day 3pm Radio 4
Festive highlights: pages 248–249
10.00 The Essay: Open Endings
RT ***1/5.*** **Lord of the Flies.** Writers imagine what happened next in their favourite stories, beginning with Ian Rankin revisiting William Golding's novel and imagining Ralph and Jack in their adulthood. Producer Camellia Sinclair
Festive highlights: pages 248–249
10.15 BBC Proms 2019 Another chance to hear Angélique Kidjo making her BBC Proms debut with her nine-piece band in a tribute to the celebrated salsa songstress Celia Cruz. Recorded at the Royal Albert Hall in London. Presented by Lopa Kothari. (R)
11.45 Night Tracks With Sarah Mohr-Pietsch. (R)
12.30am Through the Night With Catriona Young. **Martin** *Le Mystère de la nativité* Elly Ameling (soprano), Ernst Haefliger (tenor) et al, Netherlands Radio Choir and Philharmonic Orchestra, conductor Jean Fournet **2.16 Bach** *French Suite No 2 in C minor, BWV813* **2.31 Britten** *A Ceremony of Carols* **2.55 Dupré** *Variations on Adeste fideles* **3.03 Liszt** *Hymne de L'Enfant à son réveil* **3.14 Mozart** *Symphony No 35 in D, K385 (Haffner)* **3.34 Torelli** *Concerto grosso in G minor, Op 8 No 6 (Pastorale per il Santo Natale)* **3.41 Santiago de Murcia** *Saldívar Codex (excerpts)* **3.50 Schubert, transcr Liszt** *Ave Maria, D839* **3.57 Bach** *Keyboard Concerto No 5 in F minor, BWV1056* **4.08 Salzedo** *Concert Variations on O Tannenbaum* **4.12 M Haydn** *Ave regina* **4.24 Bach** *Sinfonia in G (Christmas Oratorio, BWV248)* **4.31 Kunzen** *Overture: Das Fest der Winzer* **4.36 Chopin** *Prelude in D flat, Op 28 No 15 (Raindrop)* **4.41 Geminiani** *Concerto grosso No 1 in D (after Corelli)* **4.50 Elgar** *Severn Suite for brass band* **5.06 M Haydn** *Lauft, ihr Hirten allzugleich* **5.16 Grieg** *Piano Concerto in A minor* **5.45 Debussy** *Pour le piano* **5.59 Tore Bjorn Larsen** *Tre Rosetter* **6.13 Suk** *A Winter's Tale*

Scala Radio

DAB scalaradio.co.uk Sky 0216

6.00am In the Park Calming sounds.
7.00 Charles Nove Vibrant and soothing music.
10.00 Simon Mayo Including after **10.00** the **Mayo Clinic** – responding to listeners' queries – and listeners' requests from **12.00**.
1.00pm Sam Hughes Popular classical works.
4.00 Penny Smith Sitting in for Mark Forrest
7.00 Mark Kermode With festive film music. (R)
9.00 William Orbit in The Space The electronic composer/producer with ambient sounds, techno and atmospheric classical pieces.
10.00 Hannah Cox
1.00am Night Music Nonstop music.

Absolute Radio

DAB absoluteradio.co.uk
F'view 727 **F'sat** 724 **Sky** 0107 **Virgin** 915

6.00am Dave Berry 10.00 Claire Sturgess Old and new mainstream and indie rock and pop, from 1975 David Bowie to the 1975, from Genesis to the Grateful Dead, from the Monkees to Gorillaz, from Meat Loaf to the Jam.
1.00pm Sarah Champion 4.00 Bush and Richie
7.00 Ross Buchanan 10.00 Pete Donaldson
1.00am Dan Noble

Classic FM

99.9–101.9 FM DAB classicfm.com
Freeview 731 **Freesat** 721 **Sky** 0106 **Virgin** 922

6.00am More Music Breakfast With Aled Jones.
9.00 John Suchet Popular classical works.
1.00pm Anne-Marie Minhall Including at **1.00pm Classic FM Requests** – with listeners phoning in requests during the programme – and at **3.00 Hall of Fame**, featuring three works from the current Classic Hall of Fame chart.
5.00 Nicholas Owen With a festive playlist.
7.00 Smooth Classics Relaxing Christmas music.
8.00 The Full Works Concert John Rutter directs the Oxford Philharmonic Orchestra and Choirs of Magdalen and New College, with violinist Natalia Lomeiko and baritone Roderick Williams, in a concert of traditional Christmas favourites recorded earlier this month at the Sheldonian Theatre in Oxford. Presented by Jane Jones. Featuring Vaughan Williams's *Fantasia on Christmas Carols (version for strings and organ)*, music by Mendelssohn and Britten, and carols old and new by Warlock, Bob Chilcott, John Rutter and many others.
10.00 Smooth Carols With Karthi Gnanasegaram.
1.00am Bob Jones Christmas music.

BBC Radio 4

92.4–94.6 FM 198 LW DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4
Freeview 704 **Freesat** 704 (FM) 710 (LW)
Sky 0104 (FM) 0143 (LW) **Virgin** 904 (FM) 911 (LW)
News 5.30am, 6.00 and hourly to 12 midnight
Weather 5.57am, 6.05, 6.57, 7.57, 12.57pm, 5.57, 9.59, 12.30am
Shipping Forecasts 5.20am, 12.01pm (*LW*), 5.54 (*LW*), 12.48am

5.30am News Briefing
5.43 Prayer for the Day
With Bishop Sarah Mullally, the Bishop of London.
5.45 Farming Today Rural news.
5.58 Tweet of the Day
The Twelve Tweets of Christmas. Alison Steadman learns more about the goldfinch. (R)
6.00 Today
With Simon Jack and Martha Kearney.
6.25, 7.25, 8.25 Sports News
7.48 Thought for the Day
With the Rev Dr Sam Wells.
9.00 Start the Week
Andrew Marr is joined in Westminster Abbey by historians David Cannadine and Lucy Worsley and former Bishop of Oxford Richard Harries. Producer Katy Hickman Shortened rpt 9.30pm
9.45 *FM* **Book of the Week: Last Christmas**
RT ***1/5.*** Essays by ten writers who reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. Curated by Greg Wise and Emma Thompson. Today, stand-up and screenwriter Deborah Frances-White's Christmas reflection is paired with an essay by Syrian refugee Steve Ali. Producer Elizabeth Allard Repeated 12.30am
BT BOOKS To order *Last Christmas* by Greg Wise and Emma Thompson for £14.99 incl p&p, call 03302 232 639 or visit radiotimes.com/shop52
9.45 *LW* **Daily Service**
Spiritual reflection with a Bible reading, prayer and Christian music on the theme of Christmas: Ready and Waiting, led by Elizabeth Alker. James 5, 7–11. O Come, O Come Emmanuel; Come Lord Jesus (Sam Cox, Chris Eaton); Immanuel (Stuart Townend). Performed by Lou Fellingham.
10.00 Woman's Hour With Jane Garvey.
10.45 Kilvert's Diary ***1/5***
The *15-Minute Drama*. See drama repeat 7.45pm
11.00 The Untold
5/13. Two boys are hoping their voices do not break before they are due to perform in a midnight mass broadcast on BBC1. Presented by Grace Dent. Producer Sam Peach
11.30 Loose Ends Rptd from Sat 21 Dec 6.15pm
12.04pm The Secret Commonwealth
RT ***1/10.*** Simon Russell Beale reads the second volume of Philip Pullman's planned trilogy *The Book of Dust*. Abridged by Dorren Estall, the story picks up 20 years after the events of the 2017 fantasy *La Belle Sauvage*. Producer Michael Shannon Repeated 10.45pm
RT BOOKS To order *The Secret Commonwealth* by Philip Pullman for £18 incl p&p, call 03302 232 639 or visit radiotimes.com/shop52
Festive highlights: pages 248–249

12.18 You and Yours Consumer reports.
1.00 The World at One
Presented by Sarah Montague.
1.45 In Their Element
New series. 1/5. **Silver.** Scientists tell the stories of different elements, beginning with UCL chemistry professor Andrea Sella celebrating how silver enhances people's lives. Producer Louisa Field
2.00 The Archers Rptd from yesterday 7pm
2.15 Drama: Happiness!
David Threlfall stars in Ian Billings's comedy drama about the flamboyant comedian and entertainer Ken Dodd as he faces charges of tax evasion in 1988, tracking his year-long battle with the taxman – including the 1989 trial.

Ken Dodd/Dicky Mint	**David Threlfall**
George Carman QC	**Clive Hayward**
Bennett	**Will Kirk**
Mr Justice Waterhouse	**Neil McCaul**
Brian Leveson QC	**Ian Conningham**
Albert	**Greg Jones**
Eileen	**Laura Christy**
Croupier	**Adam Courting**
Mother	**Heather Craney**
Usher	**Ikky Elyas**

Director Gemma Jenkins
3.00 Quote...Unquote
4/6. Nigel Rees hosts the light-hearted quiz, with Ken Cheng, Helen Lewis and Luke Jennings trying to identify the origins of certain quotations, phrases or sayings. Producer Simon Nicholls
Repeated Saturday 28 December 11pm
3.30 The Food Programme
Repeated from yesterday 12.30pm
4.00 Natalie Haynes Stands Up for the Classics
New series. 1/4. **Aristotle.** Natalie Haynes – author of *The Ancient Guide To Modern Life* – returns to create more comedy routines around figures from ancient Greece or Rome. She is joined by Adam Rutherford and Edith Hall to explore the life of Aristotle. Producer Mary Ward-Lowery
4.30 Beyond Belief
4/6. Ernie Rea is joined by writers Lucy Mangan, Frank Cottrell-Boyce and Francis Spufford to discuss the religious message behind *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. Producer Helen Lee
5.00 PM Presented by Caroline Wyatt.
6.00 Six o'Clock News
6.15 The Museum of Curiosity
John Lloyd and co-curator Bridget Christie are joined for an extended Christmas edition of the panel show by Harry Potter creator JK Rowling, music producer Glyn Johns and comedian Shazia Mirza. Producers Anne Miller and Victoria Lloyd
Repeated Christmas Day 8pm
7.00 The Archers
It's Jim's big night and Jazzer comes to the rescue. For cast see Fri 3 January Rptd tomorrow 2pm
7.15 Front Row
Katie Popperwell with arts news, interviews, discussion and reviews. Producer Ekene Akalawu

7.45 Kilvert's Diary
1/5. **Villaging.** Adaptation by Kate McAll of the diary by Victorian clergyman Francis Kilvert (1840–79), capturing everyday life in the border country of England and Wales in the 1870s.

Francis Kilvert	**Alastair James Murden**
Richard Venables/Bellringer/ Barber/Old soldier/Mr Pritchard/ Mr Thomas	**Matthew Gravelle**
Mrs Chaloner/Eliza Pring/Mrs Bridge/Anne Evans	**Eiry Thomas**
Mrs Venables/Miss Llewelyn/ Daisy Thomas	**Bethan Rose Young**

Director Kate McAll Repeated from 10.45am
8.00 Romania's Revolution 30 Years On
Thirty years after dictator Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife Elena were executed on Christmas Day, Tessa Dunlop looks back at the violent birth of post-Communist Romania and asks if it has shaken off the legacy of decades of ruthless totalitarianism. Producer Jim Frank
8.30 Crossing Continents
5/9. **Finland: The Race to go Carbon Neutral.** The Finnish government has committed to reducing its carbon emissions to net-zero by 2035 – 15 years ahead of the UK. But how do you make that happen? A fisherman-turned-climate scientist – Tero Mustonen – believes he has part of the answer: re-wilding the country's peat fields. Gabriel Gatehouse travels to Finland to meet Mustonen as he battles lobbyists and vested interests, in a race to mitigate the consequences of climate change. Rptd from Thu
9.00 What Has Sat-Nav Done to Our Brains?
Writer and broadcaster Timandra Harkness teams up with London cabbie Robert Lorden to ask if sat-navs are changing the way we think. Repeated from Tuesday
9.30 Start the Week Shortened rpt from 9am
10.00 The World Tonight News round-up.
10.45 The Secret Commonwealth
RT ***1/10.*** By Philip Pullman. Rptd from 12.04pm
Festive highlights: pages 248–249
11.00 Have You Heard George's Podcast?
3/5. **Loose Ends.** George the Poet's relationships continue to fall apart as his mind descends into a battlefield.
11.30 Matthew Herbert's World of Sound
The composer and producer experiences a wide variety of audio in London, taking in the sonic nothingness of a soundproofed chamber, an Underground platform, Parliament Square, the roof terrace of the Houses of Parliament and the noisy fridges and music of a café. Producer Andy King (R)
12.00 News
12.15am Tez Talks
Stand-up comedian Tez Ilyas with his thoughts on Christmas. Producer Carl Cooper (R)
12.30–12.45 Book of the Week: Last Christmas ***1/5.*** Repeated from 9.45am
RT **Festive highlights: pages 248–249**
1.00 as BBC World Service

BBC Radio 4 Extra

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6.00am Brother Cadfael – Monk's Hood (1/5)
6.30 Letters to Father Christmas as 8.30pm
7.00 Arrested Development Comedy (1/4)
7.30 I'm Sorry I Haven't a Clue From 2019 (6/6)
8.00 The Enchanting World of Hinge and Bracket
8.30 Dad's Army 1976 comedy
9.00 Just a Minute 2012 edition
9.30 Semi Circles Simon Brett's 1982 sitcom (1/6)
10.00 Watership Down Brian Sibley's dramatisation of Richard Adams's 1972 debut novel in which a band of rabbits embarks on an epic and perilous journey to Watership Down. From 2016 (1/2)
11.00 TED Radio Hour With Guy Raz
11.50 Inheritance Tracks With Don McLean
12.00 The Enchanting World of Hinge and Bracket
12.30pm Dad's Army 1976 comedy
1.00 Brother Cadfael – Monk's Hood (1/5)
1.30 Letters to Father Christmas as 8.30pm
2.00 The Wolf Border By Sarah Hall (6/10)
2.15 The History of Pop John Peel presents a history of carbonated drinks. From 1999 (1/4)
2.30 Northanger Abbey By Jane Austen (1/10)
2.45 Maggie Smith – a Biography Michael Coveney's examination of the actress (1/5)
3.00 The Balloonists Craig Stephens's comedy about Victorian balloonist Henry Coxwell (1819–1900)
4.00 Just a Minute 2012 edition
4.30 Semi Circles Simon Brett's sitcom (1/6)
5.00 Arrested Development Comedy (1/4)
5.30 I'm Sorry I Haven't a Clue From 2019 (6/6)
6.00 Doctor Who – Serpent Crest Tom Baker and Susan Jameson star in Paul Magrs's sci-fi adventure *Tsar Wars*, with the Fourth Doctor and Mrs Wibbsey taken 100,000 years in the future (1/2)
6.30 A Good Read Literary discussion (1/9)
7.00 The Enchanting World of Hinge and Bracket
7.30 Dad's Army 1976 comedy
8.00 Brother Cadfael – Monk's Hood
Dramatisation by Bert Coules of the 1980 mystery novel by Ellis Peters (pseudonym of Edith Pargeter), set in 1138 and concerning the death of the lord of the manor. Narrated by Michael Hordern and starring Philip Madoc (as the Benedictine monk). From 1991 (1/5)
8.30 Letters to Father Christmas Carole Boyd explores the festive tradition of writing to Santa Claus
9.00 TED Radio Hour With Guy Raz
9.50 Inheritance Tracks With Don McLean
10.00–12.00 Comedy Club: I'm Sorry I Haven't a Clue (6/6), at **10.30 Bleak Expectations** (6/6), at **11.00 Dead Ringers** (2/3), and at **11.30 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! Seasonal Special**
12.00 as 6pm **12.30am** as 6.30pm **1.00** as 8pm **1.30** as 8.30pm **2.00** as 2pm **2.15** as 2.15pm **2.30** as 2.30pm **2.45** as 2.45pm **3.00** as 3pm **4.00** as 4pm **4.30** as 4.30pm **5.00** as 5pm **5.30** as 5.30pm

BBC World Service

DAB bbc.co.uk/worldserviceradio
Freeview* 710 **Freesat** 711 **Sky** 0115 **Virgin** 906
Programmes may differ online, and on Freesat, Sky, and Virgin
5.00am News **5.05** The Newsroom **5.30** Crowd Science **6.00** Newsday **8.30** Business Daily **8.50** Witness History **9.00** News **9.05** The Inquiry **9.30** Boston Calling: news from an American perspective **10.00** World Update **11.00** The Newsroom **11.30** The Conversation **12.00** News **12.05pm** Outlook **12.50** Witness History **1.00** The Newsroom **1.30** The Why Factor **1.50** More or Less **2.00** Newshour: the latest headlines **3.00** News **3.05** Hardtalk: interviews **3.30** World Business Report: informed analysis **4.00** BBC OS **6.00** News **6.05** Outlook: perspectives on important issues **6.50** Witness History **7.00** News **7.05** The Newsroom **7.30** Sport Today **8.00** News **8.05** Hardtalk: interviews with newsmakers and personalities from across the globe **8.30** Discovery **9.00** Newshour **10.00** News **10.05** The Newsroom **10.20** Sports News **10.30** World Business Report: informed analysis **11.00** News **11.05** The Why Factor **11.30** The Conversation **12.00** News **12.05am** The History Hour **1.00** News **1.05** Business Matters **2.00** News **2.05** The Newsroom **2.30** The Why Factor **2.50** More or Less **3.00** News **3.05** Outlook **4.00** News **4.05** People Fixing the World **4.30** In the Studio

BBC Radio 5 Live

693, 909 MW DAB bbc.co.uk/fivelive
F'view 705 **F'sat** 705 **Sky** 0105 **Virgin** 905
Sports Extra F'view 706 **F'sat** 706
Sky 0144 **Virgin** 908
News and **sport** bulletin every half-hour
Times vary during live sports coverage
5.00am Morning Reports
With news, sport and business.
5.15 Wake Up to Money
Financial news stories.
6.00 5 Live Breakfast
Colin Murray and Nomia Iqbal present news, weather, sport and finance. At **9.00** Colin Murray invites listeners' calls on the day's big story in **Your Call**.

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
8.00am–12.30pm Cricket
Adelaide Strikes v Perth Scorchers, a Big Bash match.

10.00 Chris Warburton
Sitting in for Emma Barnett.
1.00pm Nihal Arthanayake
News, big-name interviews and topical conversation.
4.00 5 Live Drive
Anna Foster and Tony Livesey with sports news and topical interviews.
7.00 5 Live Sport
Mark Chapman presents sports news and features including **The Monday Night Club**, in which he is joined by Rory Smith and Micah Richards for football discussion. At **9.00 The Tuffers and Vaughan Cricket Show** featuring former England players Phil Tufnell and Michael Vaughan with cricket discussion. And at **10.00 Rugby Union Weekly**, with Ugo Monye, Chris Jones and Danny Care tackling the biggest issues in the game.
10.30 Colin Paterson
Sitting in for Sarah Brett with news, topical discussion and guests.
1.00am Up All Night

Talksport

1053, 1089 MW DAB talksport.co.uk
F'view 723 **F'sat** 731 **Sky** 0108 **Virgin** 927
6.00am Sports Breakfast
With Alan Brazil.
10.00 White and Sawyer
1.00pm Hawksbee and Jacobs
4.00 Adrian Durham and Darren Gough Footballing news.
7.00 The PressBox
10.00 Sports Bar
1.00am Extra Time
5.00 Early Breakfast

LBC

97.3 FM (London area) DAB lbc.co.uk
F'view 732 **F'sat** 734 **Sky** 0124 **Virgin** 919
7.00am Nick Ferrari
10.00 James O'Brien
1.00pm Shelagh Fogarty
4.00 Eddie Mair
6.00 Nigel Farage
7.00 Iain Dale
10.00 Tom Swarbrick Pacy and unpredictable topical show.
1.00am Darren Adam
4.00 Steve Allen
Topical musings across a broad range of subjects.

Asian Network

DAB bbc.co.uk/asiannetwork
F'view 709 **F'sat** 709 **Sky** 0119 **Virgin** 912
6.00am Harpz Kaur
10.00 Asian Network's Big Debate
1.00pm Haroon Rashid
4.00 Yasser British-Asian music.
7.00 Bobby Friction
Cutting-edge British Asian music.
10.00 Mobeen Azhar
12.00 Asian Network's Shisha Lounge Mix
12.30am Asian Network Playlists
1.00 Radio 1's Drum & Bass Show
2.00 Radio 1's Drum & Bass Mix
3.00 1Xtra Mixes
4.00 Twin B New tunes.

*Not available on Freeview in Scotland 4pm–1am. **Key** (R) Repeat

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Today's Choices



Arctic Sound Walk

4.30pm ***Radio 3***

No wonder the Danes didn't want to sell when President Trump recently tweeted his desire to buy Greenland: deluded Brits may think that Santa Claus lives at the North Pole, but Danes believe he dwells in Greenland, hence the "not for sale" notices that went up all around the world's largest island. Whether or not he meets Santa we're not told, but travel writer Horatio Clare here embarks on a three-episode trek along Greenland's Arctic Circle Trail. **MARK PAPPENHEIM**

A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

3.00pm ***Radio 4***

Today's live broadcast of the annual Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols from King's will be somewhat overshadowed by the death last month of the choir's former director, Stephen Cleobury, who presided over the event for 37 years until his retirement in September. Yet one key part of his legacy lives on: his innovation of commissioning a new carol every year. Past contributors include John Tavener, Jonathan Dove and Judith Weir. This year's is by former Organist and Master of the Music at York Minster, Philip Moore. **MARK PAPPENHEIM**

BEST OF THE REST...

Tons of verbal jollity in **The Tim Vine Chat Show** *(6.30pm Radio 4)* but there's a sombre aspect to Fi Glover's report into fathers being present at the birth of their offspring in **Dads and the Delivery Room** *(11.00am Radio 4)*. ***A* Bright Yellow Light** *(8.00pm Radio 4)* is a story of tragedy and profound religious experience. **An Audience for the Queen** *(11.30am Radio 4)* chronicles the Queen on screen and stage.

DAVID ATKINSON

BBC Radio 1

97.6–99.8 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio1
F'view* 700 **F'sat** 700 **Sky** 0101 **Virgin** 901

6.30am Matt and Mollie
10.00 Clara Amfo
1.00pm Dev
4.00 Jordan North
7.00 Radio 1's Dance Party
Presented by Annie Mac.
9.00 Rickie, Melvin and Charlie
11.00 Radio 1's Indie Show
Presented by Jack Saunders.
1.00am Annie Nightingale
3.00 Radio 1's Chillout Anthems (R)
4.00 Katie Thistleton

BBC Radio 2

88–90.2 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio2
F'view* 702 **F'sat** 702 **Sky** 0102 **Virgin** 902

5.00am Nicki Chapman
6.30 Zoe Ball
9.30 Gary Davies
Including after **11.30 Tracks of My Years**, with Jane McDonald picking two more favourite discs.
12.00 Jeremy Vine
First of two shows of 2019 highlights, from guest Stephen Fry to favourite phone-in callers. Concludes Friday.
2.00pm Steve Wright
5.00 Sara Cox
7.00 CMA Country Christmas
Two hours of country-style Christmas music, with Ben Earle (of British country duo the Shires) presenting the first hour. From **8.00** US country star Trisha Yearwood presents live from Nashville. Rascal Flatts, CeCe Winans, Brett Young, Chris Janson and Chris Young all feature.
Producer Mark Hagen
9.00 The Green Room
2/4. Leo Green is joined by his band and vocalists Hayley Sanderson, Jill Marie Cooper and Andy Caine to celebrate 1983, with covers of hits by Phil Collins, David Bowie, U2 and more.
10.00 Soul Symphony
Trevor Nelson presents a night of soul and R&B classics reimagined with a Christmas feel, featuring vocalists Ray BLK, Laura Mvula, Vula Malinga, Rebecca Ferguson, Samm Henshaw and Tony Momrell backed by the BBC Concert Orchestra.
12.00 Phil Williams
3.00am Proms in the Park: 2019 Highlights Performances by Chrissie Hynde, Jack Savoretti, Gabrielle, Aida Garifullina and event headliner Barry Manilow recorded in September in London's Hyde Park.

BBC 6 Music

DAB bbc.co.uk/6music
Freeview 707 **Freesat** 707 **Sky** 0120 **Virgin** 909

7.30am Amy Lamé
10.30 Mary Anne Hobbs
1.00pm Shaun Keaveny
4.00 Wise Women
RT ***New series. 1/3.*** Over the next three days three famous women play three hours of their favourite music, then introduce seven hours of specially chosen archive programmes. First up is rapper and singer Little Simz. At **7.00** *Iggy Pop* A 2014 funk edition; at **9.00** *The First Time with...* Damon Albarn discusses his musical milestones. From 2014; at **10.00** *Michael Kiwanuka's Finest Hour* With a journey to Africa and a profile of producer Tom Wilson; at **12.00** *Jim Hendrix: Made in London* The rock icon's time spent in London in 1966 and 67; and at **1.00am** *Live Hour* Little Simz with her pick of BBC archive live performances.
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2.00 Jukebox With Chris Hawkins.
5.00 Chris Hawkins

BBC Radio 3

90.2–92.4 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio3
Freeview* 703 **Freesat** 703 **Sky** 0103 **Virgin** 903
News and **weather** as Monday 23 December

6.30am Breakfast With Petroc Trelawny.
9.00 Essential Classics With Ian Skelly.
12.00 Composer of the Week: Corelli
***2/5.* Corelli and the Aristocracy.** Donald Macleod explores Corelli's relationships with royalty and the nobility, who would often vie to secure his services.
Fuga con un soggetto solo
London Baroque, director Dan Laurin
Sonata in G minor, Op 5 No 5
Andrew Manze (violin), Richard Egarr (harpsichord)
Sonata in F, Op 1 No 1; Sonata in A minor, Op 1 No 4
Avison Ensemble
Sonata in B minor, Op 3 No 4; Sonata in F minor, Op 3 No 9 Monica Huggett and Alison Bury (violins), Jaap ter Linden (cello), Hopkinson Smith (theorbo), Ton Koopman (harpsichord)
Concerto grosso in F, Op 6 No 12
English Concert, director Trevor Pinnock
1.00pm Radio 3 Lunchtime Concert
Presented by Kate Molleson.
Vertavo Quartet
Grieg *String Quartet No 2 in F; Fugue*
Smetana *String Quartet No 1 in E minor (From My Life)*
2.00 Afternoon Concert
Hannah French with a seasonal music and more.
Humperdinck *Overture: Hansel and Gretel*
Delius *Sleigh Ride*
Holst *The Mystic Trumpeter*
Arnold, arr Palmer *The Holly and The Ivy: Fantasy on Christmas Carols*
Tchaikovsky *The Nutcracker, Act 2*
Susan Gritton (soprano), BBC Concert Orchestra, conductor Barry Wordsworth
3.20 Bernstein *Suite: On the Waterfront*
RTVE SO, conductor Christian Lindberg
3.35 Nordqvist *Yule, Yule, Radiant Yule*
Tegner *Star of Bethlehem*
Alfven *Christmas Carol*
Eriks Esenvalds *Stars*
Bergsma *A Carol on Twelfth Night*
Korngold *Der Schneemann (excerpt)*
Styne *Let It Snow*
Mendelssohn *Weihnachten, Op 79 No 1*
Wade *Adeste fideles*
Pola *It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year*
Love Tronner (tenor), Swedish Radio Choir and SO, conductor Simon Crawford-Phillips (piano)
4.30 Arctic Sound Walk
RT ***New series. 1/3.* Freezing and Finding**
Horatio Clare follows Greenland's Arctic Circle Trail, from the west coast towards the vast ice-sheet. Today he explores how Greenland came to be, from the early lives of the Inuit to the early 20th-century explorers and settlers. Music accompanying the trek includes works by Feldman, Rautavaara, Peter Gregson, John Luther Adams, Vikingur Olaffson, John Harle and Arvo Pärt, and the ice music of Terje Isungset. Continues tomorrow.
Festive highlights: pages 248–249

Scala Radio

DAB scalaradio.co.uk Sky 0216

6.00am In the Park Calming sounds.
7.00 Charles Nove Vibrant and soothing music.
10.00 Simon Mayo Music and features, with listeners' requests Christmas music from **12 noon**.
1.00pm Sam Hughes With popular classical works, new discoveries and rediscoveries, and at **2.00 Mindfulness of Music**.
4.00 Penny Smith An eclectic playlist, including the **Scala Immersion** at **6.30**, featuring a long piece.
7.00 The Scala Christmas Kitchen with Nigel Barden The food and drink specialist (and regular on Simon Mayo's Saturday show) offers Christmas culinary tips. Plus complementary music. (R)
9.00 William Orbit in the Space
10.00 Hannah Cox
1.00am Night Music Nonstop music.

Absolute Radio

DAB absoluteradio.co.uk
F'view 727 **F'sat** 724 **Sky** 0107 **Virgin** 915

6.00am Dave Berry Lively chat, music and features
10.00 Claire Sturgess 1.00pm Sarah Champion
4.00 Bush and Richie 7.00 Jayne Middlemiss
10.00 Christmas Mixtape 1.00am Dan Noble

5.45 New Generation Artists
Kate Molleson introduces performances recorded earlier this year at the Cheltenham Music Festival.
Ravel *Tzigane*
Aleksey Semenenko (violin), Inna Firsova (piano)
Carlo Domeniconi *Variations on an Anatolian Folksong* Thibaut Garcia (guitar)
Eddie Durham *Topsy* Misha Mullov-Abbado Group
6.15 Words and Music
Ewan Bailey and Clare Perkins read poetry and prose on the theme of "the messenger", with works by Robert Browning, Anne Brontë and Vera Brittain. (R)
7.30 BBC Proms 2019
Another chance to hear a monumental Prom recorded in September at the Royal Albert Hall. In his last UK appearance, Bernard Haitink conducts the Vienna Philharmonic in Bruckner's Seventh Symphony and Beethoven's Fourth Piano Concerto. Emanuel Ax (piano), Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, conductor Bernard Haitink
Beethoven *Piano Concerto No 4 in G*
8.05 Interval An interview with Bernard Haitink.
Bruckner *Symphony No 7 in E* (R)
10.00 The Essay: Open Endings
***2/5.* Mrs Dalloway.** Booker Prize-winner Bernardine Evaristo brings her imagination to bear on Virginia Woolf's groundbreaking 1925 novel.
10.15 BBC Proms 2019
Andrew McGregor presents a Prom created in the spirit of *In Tune Mixtape*, recorded in August at the Royal Albert Hall in London.
Soumik Datta (sarod), Cormac Byrne (bodhrán), Martin James Bartlett (piano), Tenebrae, 12 Ensemble, director Nigel Short
Eriks Esenvalds *Stars* **Max Richter** *Vladimir's Blues*
Arvo Pärt *Fratres*
Peteris Vasks *The Fruits of Silence*
Bach *Keyboard Concerto in F minor, BWV1056 (2nd mvt)*
Ola Gjeilo *The Spheres*
Schubert *String Quartet No 14 in D minor (Death and the Maiden) (1st mvt)*
Soumik Datta *Morning Song*
Lobo *Versa est in luctum cithara mea*
Chopin *Nocturne in D flat, Op 27 No 2*
Datta, arr Farrington *Clouds Richter: On the Nature of Daylight* **Tavener** *The Lamb* (R)
11.45 Night Tracks With Sarah Mohr-Pietsch. (R)
12.30am Through the Night With Catriona Young.
Britten *Sea Interludes (Peter Grimes)* **Zhao Lin** *Duo* **Xiaogang Ye** *Cantonese Suite* **Stravinsky** *The Firebird – Suite No 2* Lei Jia (sheng), Jian Wang (cello), Guangzhou SO, conductor Huan Jing **1.53 Tchaikovsky** *Six Pieces, Op 19* **2.24 Glazunov** *Albumblatt in D flat* **2.31 La Rue** *Missa Sancto Job* **3.06 Grieg** *Peer Gynt – Suite No 1* **3.31 Chaminade** *Automne, Op 35 No 2* **3.38 Smit** *Concertino for cello and orchestra* **3.49 Per Norgard** *Pastorale for string trio* **3.56 Poulenc** *Capriccio* **4.01 Vaughan Williams** *Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis* **4.25 Mozart** *Flute Quartet No 1 in D, K285* **4.31 Champagne** *Danse villageoise* **4.36 Bartok** *Rhapsody No 1 (cello and piano version)* **4.47 A Scarlatti** *Ero e Leandro* **4.58 Strauss** *Horn Concerto No 1 in E flat, Op 11* **5.14 Smetana** *Sonata in E minor for two pianos* **5.25 Dolf** *To the Stars* **5.28 Haydn** *Symphony No 104 in D (London)* **5.55 Franck** *Piano Quintet in F minor* (R)

Classic FM

99.9–101.9 FM DAB classicfm.com
Freeview 731 **Freesat** 721 **Sky** 0106 **Virgin** 922

6.00am More Music Breakfast With Aled Jones.
9.00 John Suchet Seasonal music.
1.00pm Christmas Eve Requests Anne-Marie Minhall and John Brunning with dedications.
5.00 Aled Jones Narrates The Snowman
Raymond Briggs's 1978 story of *The Snowman*. (R)
5.30 Carols from St Paul's Cathedral
RT Jane Jones presents a carol concert recorded on 10 December at St Paul's Cathedral in aid of Cancer Research UK. Featuring soprano Sophie Bevan, tenor Peter Auty, baritone Alan Opie and bass Matthew Rose and St Paul's Cathedral Choir conducted by Andrew Carwood, with readings by special guests Emily Watson, Helen George and Dominic West.
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8.00 The Story of Carols
Anne-Marie Minhall celebrates famous carols from around the world, including the stories behind the carols, cultural anecdotes and international cover versions. First broadcast December 2017. (R)
10.00 Smooth Carols With Karthi Gnanasegaram.
1.00am Bob Jones

BBC Radio 4

92.4–94.6 FM 198 LW DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4
Freeview 704 **Freesat** 704 (FM) 710 (LW)
Sky 0104 (FM) 0143 (LW) **Virgin** 904 (FM) 911 (LW)
News 5.30am, 6.00 and hourly 3.00pm, 5.00 and hourly to 12 midnight
Weather 6.05am, 6.57, 7.57, 12.57pm, 5.57, 9.59, 12.30am
Shipping Forecasts 5.20am, 12.01pm (*LW*), 5.54 (*LW*), 12.48am

5.30am News Briefing

5.43 Prayer for the Day
With Bishop Sarah Mullally, the Bishop of London.

5.45 Farming Today

5.58 Tweet of the Day
The Twelve Tweets of Christmas. Alison Steadman discusses the greylag goose, the wild ancestor of modern farmyard geese. (R)

6.00 Today
With Mishal Husain and Justin Webb.

6.25, 7.25, 8.25 Sports News

7.48 Thought for the Day
With the Rev Lucy Winkett.

9.00 The Long View
4/4. After the recent racist treatment of England footballers, Jonathan Freedland goes back to the early 19th century and a bare-knuckle boxing match between Tom Cribb and a black American former slave, Tom Molineux. Producer Tom Alban Rptd 9.30pm

9.30 Things That Made the Modern Economy
A one-off special in which Tim Harford looks at the economic impact of Santa Claus.
Repeated tomorrow 8.45pm

9.45 *FM* **Book of the Week: Last Christmas**
2/5. Ten people reflect on what Christmas means to them, curated by Greg Wise and Emma Thompson. Today, Greg Wise recounts his less than happy childhood Christmas experiences. Then we discover how his wife, Emma Thompson, worked tirelessly to change his perspective in her funny and moving piece on the pitfalls of the festive season. Abridged by Richard Hamilton.
For details see yesterday Rptd Christmas Day 3.15pm

9.45 *LW* **Daily Service**
Anticipating the Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols broadcast live from King's College Cambridge later today, the Dean of King's the Rev Dr Stephen Cherry presents a meditation for Christmas Eve, with music from past festivals. Luke 1, vv26–38; Adam Lay Ybounden (Willcocks); In dulci jubilo (Ledger); This Endernight (Cleobury/Berkeley).

10.00 Woman's Hour With Jane Garvey.

10.45 Kilvert's Diary ***2/5***
The *15-Minute Drama*. See drama repeat 7.45pm

11.00 Dads and the Delivery Room
Fi Glover looks at how the experience of being present at the birth of their child can affect fathers, meeting a doctor who works with couples who have experienced traumatic births. Producer Sarah Cuddon Rptd Mon 30 Dec 9pm

11.30 An Audience for the Queen
Professor Kate Williams chronicles the appearances of the Queen on stage and screen – from the Coronation to the latest series of *The Crown*. Among the contributors to the programme are actress Helen Mirren, who has played the Queen and has come to identify closely with her; Claire Foy, who received a Golden Globe for her role in *The Crown*; Olivia Colman, who took over the role from Foy; and dialect coach William Conacher, who regularly trains actors in how to "speak Queen".
Producer Susan Marling (R)

12.04pm The Secret Commonwealth
2/10. Simon Russell Beale reads Philip Pullman's sequel to *La Belle Sauvage*. Lyra reads the dead man's mysterious journals.
For details see yesterday Repeated 10.45pm

12.18 Call You and Yours
Consumer affairs phone-in.
PHONE: 0370 010 0444 (Lines open from 10am)
email: youandyours@bbc.co.uk

1.00 The World at One
With Sarah Montague.

1.45 In Their Element
2/5. **Aluminium.** UCL chemistry professor Andrea Sella looks at aluminium, once fashionable as cutlery but now used in bicycles and tinsel. For details see yesterday

2.00 The Archers Rptd from yesterday 7pm

2.15 Drama: The Christmas Present
Everyone is excited about Christmas, except Stephen. When he tells a man dressed in a Santa suit that he wishes his life could be simpler, he doesn't expect to have to travel in time to discover how this could happen. Festive drama, written by and starring Ben Crompton, with his son Albie.

Stephen	**Ben Crompton**	Father Christmas/Frank	
Young Stephen	**Albie Crompton**		**Stephen Marzella**
Holly	**Christine Bottomley**	Phil/Gavin	**Graeme Hawley**
Ivy	**Poppy O'Brien**	Rudy/Max	**Chris Jack**

Director Nadia Molinari

3.00 A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols
RT The traditional service broadcast live from the chapel of King's College, Cambridge. Producer Philip Billson
For order of service see Radio 3 tomorrow 2pm
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4.30 Great Lives
4/8. *Times* journalist Janice Turner sings the praises of Enid Blyton (1897–1968), in the company of presenter Matthew Parris and Blyton biographer Nadia Cohen.
Producer Miles Warde Rptd Friday 27 December 11pm

5.00 PM With Luke Jones.

6.00 Six o'Clock News

6.15 Christmas Compass
New series. 1/4. **Winter Journey.** Kelly Macdonald reads Alexander McCall Smith's tale. A letter sends Susan on a voyage of discovery.
Producer Claire Simpson

6.30 The Tim Vine Chat Show
The stand-up comedian's Christmas special.
Producer Richard Morris

7.00 The Archers
Tom gets suspicious and Joy makes a guest appearance.
For cast see Friday 3 January Repeated tomorrow 2pm

7.15 Front Row
John Wilson talks to Amanda Coe, who has written the new BBC drama *The Trial of Christine Keeler*. It stars Sophie Cookson as one of the call girls caught up in the Profumo scandal of 1963. Producer Jerome Weatherald
See feature: page 56

7.45 Kilvert's Diary
2/5. **Meeting Daisy.** Adapted by Kate McAll. Kilvert suffers a night of toothache and laudanum-induced dreams, receives an account of the Peninsula War, and falls in love while attending a party.
For cast and details see yesterday Rptd from 10.45am

8.00 A Bright Yellow Light
Three years ago, businessman Nadim Ednan-Laperouse was on a flight to a holiday destination with his daughter Natasha when she was taken ill. She had suffered a severe allergic reaction while eating a Pret a Manger sandwich and died on the aeroplane floor in front of her father. The story of what happened was widely reported and touched many people, as well as leading to the introduction of "Natasha's Law" following a successful court ruling. Though a big news story at the time, Nadim has never until now told of the extraordinary religious experience that happened to him on the plane that day. Something very powerful took place which was to change his life and all those around him.
Producer Christine Morgan Repeated Sun 29 Dec 5pm

8.40 In Touch
Peter White with news and information for the blind and partially sighted.

9.00 All in the Mind
8/8. Programme exploring the limits and potential of the human mind, presented by Claudia Hammond.
Producer Adrian Washbourne Rptd tomorrow 3.30pm

9.30 The Long View Repeated from 9am

10.00 The World Tonight News and analysis.

10.45 The Secret Commonwealth
2/10. Repeated from 12.04pm

11.00 Short Cuts
Josie Long presents a showcase of unusual documentaries from around the world.
Producer Eleanor McDowall

11.30–12.45am Midnight Mass
The Archbishop of Southwark, the Most Rev John Wilson, is the celebrant and preacher at the Mass of the Nativity of the Lord, live from St George's Cathedral, Southwark.
Producer Andrew Earis

1.00 as BBC World Service

BBC Radio 4 Extra

DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4extra
Freeview 708 **Freesat** 708 **Sky** 0131 **Virgin** 910
6.00am Brother Cadfael – Monk's Hood (2/5)
6.30 One Day in Winter as 8.30pm
7.00 A Month of June as 5pm
7.30 Rhys James Isn't…"B" (2/2)
8.00 The Goon Show 1956 festive edition
8.30 Round the Horne 1966 camp classic
9.00 Dead Ringers Comedy impressions
9.30 Stilgoe's Around From Brighton Racecourse
10.00 Watership Down By Richard Adams (2/2)
11.00 CHOICE: Telling Tales With Jeremy Dyson
Festive highlights: pages 248–249
12.00 The Goon Show 1956 festive edition
12.30pm Round the Horne 1966 camp classic
1.00 Brother Cadfael – Monk's Hood (2/5)
1.30 One Day in Winter as 8.30pm
2.00 The Wolf Border Sarah Hall's novel (7/10)
2.15 The History of Pop With John Peel (2/4)
2.30 Northanger Abbey By Jane Austen (2/10)
2.45 Maggie Smith – A Biography (2/5)
3.00 James Bond: Thunderball Toby Stephens headlines as James Bond in a dramatisation by Archie Scottney of Ian Fleming's 1961 novel – the ninth book in the series. With Alfred Molina (as the villainous Ernst Blofeld), Tom Conti, John Sessions, Lisa Dillon, Ian Ogilvy, Janie Dee (as Miss Moneypenny), Julian Sands (as Q) and others. From 2016
4.30 James Bond: Licence to Kill Actor Robbie Coltrane explores James Bond's Scottish connections
5.00 A Month of June First of four comedies starring June Whitfield (1925–2018). Andy Merriman and Peter Morfoot's *Spray the Grass Green* concerns a fading Hollywood star in 1939
5.30 Rhys James Isn't…"B" The comedian explores different aspects of modern politics (2/2)
6.00 Doctor Who: Serpent Crest Tom Baker stars in Paul Magrs's sci-fi adventure *Tsar Wars* (2/2)
6.30 Pioneers Politician David Blunkett, blind since birth, talks about becoming Home Secretary (1/5)
7.00 The Goon Show 1956 festive edition
7.30 Round the Horne 1966 camp classic
8.00 Brother Cadfael – Monk's Hood (2/5)
8.30 One Day in Winter: Driving Home for Christmas Some of the 15 million-plus people who travel more than 100 miles to be home for the festive period share their feelings. From 2014
9.00 Telling Tales as 11am
10.00–12.00 Comedy Club: Rhys James Isn't…"B" (2/2), at **10.30 Armstrong & Miller** (3/4), at **10.45 Jelly Mountain** (5/5), at **11.00 Vent** (1/6), at **11.30 Think the Unthinkable** (6/6)
12.00 as 6pm **12.30am** as 6.30pm **1.00** as 8pm **1.30** as 8.30pm **2.00** as 2pm **2.15** as 2.15pm **2.30** as 2.30pm **2.45** as 2.45pm **3.00** as 3pm **4.30** as 4.30pm **5.00** as 5pm **5.30** as 5.30pm

BBC World Service

DAB bbc.co.uk/worldserviceradio
Freeview* 710 **Freesat** 711 **Sky** 0115 **Virgin** 906
Programmes may differ online, and on Freesat, Sky, and Virgin
5.00am News **5.05** The Newsroom **5.30** Discovery **6.00** Newsday **8.30** Business Daily **8.50** Witness History **9.00** News **9.05** The Arts Hour **10.00** World Update **11.00** The Newsroom **11.30** In the Studio **12.00** News **12.05pm** Outlook **12.50** Witness History **1.00** The Newsroom **1.30** The Documentary: Ii: the Greenest Town in Europe **2.00** Newshour **3.00** A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols: live from King's College, Cambridge **4.00** BBC OS **6.00** News **6.05** Outlook: perspectives on important issues **6.50** Witness History **7.00** News **7.05** The Newsroom **7.30** Sport Today **8.00** News **8.05** People Fixing the World **8.30** Digital Planet **9.00** Newshour **10.00** News **10.05** The Newsroom **10.20** Sports News **10.30** World Business Report: informed analysis **11.00** News **11.05** The Documentary: Ii: the Greenest Town in Europe **11.30** In the Studio **12.00** News **12.05am** The Arts Hour **1.00** News **1.05** Business Matters **2.00** News **2.05** The Newsroom **2.30** The Documentary: Ii: the Greenest Town in Europe **3.00** News **3.05** Outlook **3.50** Witness History **4.00** News **4.05** Hardtalk: interviews with newsmakers and personalities from across the globe **4.30** The Compass: Chinese Dreams

BBC Radio 5 Live

693, 909 MW DAB bbc.co.uk/fivelive
F'view 705 **F'sat** 705 **Sky** 0105 **Virgin** 905
Sports Extra F'view 706 **F'sat** 706
Sky 0144 **Virgin** 908
News and **sport** as yesterday
5.00am Morning Reports
5.15 Wake Up to Money
6.00 5 Live Breakfast
Presented by Colin Murray and Nomia Iqbal At **9.00 Your Call**.
10.00 Chris Warburton
1.00pm Nihal Arthanayake
4.00 5 Live Drive
6.00 Headliners
Music from Nihal Arthanayake's podcast, with live sets by Aurora, Editors, Lewis Capaldi and Richard Hawley. Repeated New Year's Eve 10pm
7.00 5 Live Sport
Sports news and features including a preview of today's football. At **8.00 5 Live Formula One**, with members of the 5 Live team competing to see who has the greatest knowledge of the Formula One season.
9.00 Eddie Hearn: No Passion, No Point
Sports promoter Eddie Hearn interviews big names, here with presenter and *Strictly* winner Stacey Dooley and, at **9.30**, rapper Kano.
10.00 The Gallaghers
Separate interviews with brothers Noel and Liam Gallagher (ex-Oasis), recorded earlier this year.
11.00 Colin Paterson
1.00am Blood on the Tracks
Colin Murray invites Ian Broudie, Nicola Roberts, Doc Brown and Nigel Owens to debate and argue about their favourite tracks. Then at **2.00** Neil Hannon, Cassadee Pope, Chris Washington and Michael Dapaah. (R)
3.00 The Paradise Interviews
Four episodes of the *Paradise* podcast relating to the deaths of two British tourists – Chris Farmer and Peta Frampton – who were found in the sea off Guatemala in 1978.

Talksport

1053, 1089 MW DAB talksport.co.uk
F'view 723 **F'sat** 731 **Sky** 0108 **Virgin** 927
6.00am Sports Breakfast
With Alan Brazil.
10.00 Jim White With Simon Jordan.
1.00pm Hawksbee and Jacobs
4.00 Adrian Durham
7.00 GameDay Countdown
10.00 Sports Bar With Andy Goldstein and Jason Cundy.
1.00am Extra Time
5.00 Captains

LBC

97.3 FM (London area) DAB lbc.co.uk
F'view 732 **F'sat** 734 **Sky** 0124 **Virgin** 919
7.00am Nick Ferrari
Fast-paced show with strong opinions, topical guests and listener reaction.
10.00 James O'Brien
1.00pm Shelagh Fogarty
4.00 Eddie Mair
6.00 Nigel Farage
7.00 Iain Dale
10.00 Tom Swarbrick
1.00am Darren Adam
4.00 Steve Allen Topical musings.

Asian Network

DAB bbc.co.uk/asiannetwork
F'view 709 **F'sat** 709 **Sky** 0119 **Virgin** 912
6.00am Harpz Kaur
10.00 Waqas Saeed
1.00pm Haroon Rashid
4.00 Yasser New music.
7.00 Bobby Friction
South Asian culture, including big Bollywood and bhangra anthems.
10.00 Asian Network Residency
12.00 Asian Network's Club Hit Squad Mix
12.30am Asian Network Playlists
1.00 Annie Nightingale
3.00 1Xtra Mixes
4.00 Jamz Supernova Neo-R&B.

*Not available on Freeview in Scotland 4pm–1am. **Key** (R) Repeat

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Christmas Day

Today's Choices



Neil Gaiman's "Chivalry"
4.00pm ***Radio 4***

Radio 4's Neil Gaiman adaptations have become something of a Christmas tradition, and this quirky half-hour story (adapted from his collection *Smoke and Mirrors*) is a winning addition to the stable. Actor-turned-politician-turned actor Glenda Jackson stars here as Mrs Whitaker, an elderly woman who picks up an interesting knick-knack in Oxfam – the Holy Grail. Soon, a virtuous knight (*Game of Thrones*'s Kit Harington) arrives to claim it, but Mrs Whitaker won't give up her prize that easily.

HUW FULLERTON

Three Vicars Talking
1.15pm ***Radio 4***

What better way to spend today than listening to Canon Giles Fraser and the Reverends Richard Coles and Kate Bottley reflecting on the Virgin Birth. But, oh dear, Bottley says how much she hates Christmas; dripping with scorn about "those people we're here to serve". Things perk up as the trio settle into their usual jollity, bickering and spiritual depth as they discuss favourite carols, the best Christmas films and class divisions across the masses. **DAVID CRAWFORD**

BEST OF THE REST...

Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! *(11.30am Radio 4)* and **A Very John Kearns Christmas** *(4.30pm Radio 4)* offer top comedy, while Clare Balding shares her enthusiasms in **With Great Pleasure at Christmas** *(8.00am/10.00pm Radio 4)*. Chinese piano sensation Lang Lang talks to Sean Rafferty in **Sean Rafferty at Home with...** *(1.00pm Radio 3)*, but there'll be nothing warmer all day than the Liza Tarbuck-hosted **Family Rhythms** *(6.00pm Radio 2)*.

KEVIN HAUFF

BBC Radio 1

97.6–99.8 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio1
F'view* 700 **F'sat** 700 **Sky** 0101 **Virgin** 901

7.00am Scott Mills
10.00 Radio 1's Superstar Playlist
4.00 Jordan North Music and chat.
7.00 Annie Mac 2019 party playlists.
9.00 Rickie, Melvin and Charlie A Christmas special.
11.00 Radio 1's Indie Show
1.00am Benji B Electronic music.
3.00 Radio 1's Chillout Anthems (R)
4.00 Early Breakfast

BBC Radio 2

88–90.2 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio2
F'view* 702 **F'sat** 702 **Sky** 0102 **Virgin** 902

5.00am Nicki Chapman
8.00 Good Morning Christmas The Rev Kate Bottley with inspirational stories, reflections and music from Karen Gibson and the Kingdom Choir.
9.00 Junior Choice Anneka Rice with an edition of the show which Ed "Stewpot" Stewart (1941–2016) hosted from 1968 to 1980.
12.00 Paul O'Grady RT With texts and dedications, music, a tribute to *Crossroads* star Noele Gordon and big-name festive greetings from Petula Clark, Celine Dion, Mariah Carey and more. **Festive highlights: pp248–249**
2.00pm Christmas with the Stars (and Matt Lucas) RT Comedian Matt Lucas is joined by friends, listeners and his mum for laughs and tunes. **Festive highlights: pp248–249**
4.00 Gary Davies Christmas TOTP Featuring all the Christmas number ones of the 1980s and 90s, plus a rundown of the top Christmas discs.
6.00 Family Rhythms RT Liza Tarbuck and a few famous families celebrate the music that brings them together. Featuring Spandau Ballet brothers Martin and Gary Kemp, *Made in Chelsea's* Binky with mum Jane Felstead, film director Richard Curtis with his daughter Scarlett, and *Strictly Come Dancing* professional dancer AJ Pritchard with his brother Curtis Pritchard from *Love Island*. **Festive highlights: pp248–249**
8.00 Bryan Adams Rocks! ***1/2.*** Personal festive music picks from the Canadian rock star. See tomorrow 7pm and 8pm
9.00 The Green Room ***3/4.*** With covers of 1994 hits by Oasis, Deacon Blue and others performed by Leo Green and his band.
10.00 Bill Kenwright's Golden Years Hits of the 1950s and 60s.
12.00 Phil Williams
3.00am Pick of the Pops (R)

BBC 6 Music

DAB bbc.co.uk/6music
Freeview 707 **Freesat** 707 **Sky** 0120 **Virgin** 909

7.30am Amy Lamé
10.30 Mary Anne Hobbs
1.00pm Shaun Keaveny Brian Eno and Brian Cox return for Shaun's fourth annual "Two Brians" show.
4.00 Wise Women ***2/3.*** Actress and writer Jessica Hynes with a pick of music and archive shows. At **7.00** *Iggy Pop* From 2014; at **9.00** *The First Time with...* A 2014 edition with US musician Dr John, who died in June, aged 77; at **10.00** *Young Fathers' Mixtape* From 2018; at **12.00** *Earth, Wind and Pyre* Candi Staton on the disco era's final days; at **1.00am** *Live Hour* Archive sets.
2.00 Jukebox 5.00 Chris Hawkins

BBC Radio 3

90.2–92.4 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio3
Freeview* 703 **Freesat** 703 **Sky** 0103 **Virgin** 903
News and **weather** as Monday 23 December

6.30am Breakfast With Petroc Trelawny.
9.00 Essential Classics With Ian Skelly. Including at **10.50** guest Gareth Malone.
12.00 Composer of the Week: Corelli ***3/5.*** **Corelli's Religious Patrons.** Donald Macleod explores Corelli's relationships with two cardinals.
Sonata in D, WoO 4 Helmut Hunger (trumpet), I Solisti Veneti, director Claudio Scimone
Sonatas: in B, Op 2 No 5; in E flat, Op 2 No 11 London Baroque
Sinfonia in D minor (Santa Beatrice d'Este) La Serenissima, director Adrian Chandler
Concerto grosso in G minor, Op 6 No 8 (Christmas Concerto) Tafelmusik Baroque Orchestra, director Jean Lamon
Recorder Sonata in C, Op 5 No 9 Michala Petri, George Malcolm (harpsichord)
1.00pm Sean Rafferty at Home with... RT Lang Lang has been an international superstar since he stood in at short notice to play Tchaikovsky's *Piano Concerto No 1* with the Chicago SO at the age of only 17. Sean Rafferty tracks him down to Amsterdam, where the keyboard sensation gives him a mini-masterclass on Beethoven. **Festive highlights: pages 248–249**
2.00 A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols Recorded yesterday at the chapel of King's College, Cambridge. Once in Royal David's City (desc Cleobury). Bidding Prayer, read by the dean, the Rev Dr Stephen Cherry. Sussex Carol (arr Vaughan Williams). First Lesson: Genesis 3, vv8–15; 17–19, read by a chorister. The Truth from Above (Vaughan Williams, arr Robinson). Second Lesson: Genesis 22, vv15–19, read by a choral scholar. Angels from the Realms of Glory (arr Jaques). Ding Dong Merrily on High (arr Willcocks). Third Lesson: Isaiah 9, vv2; 6–7, read by a representative of the Cambridge churches. It Came upon the Midnight Clear (desc Scott). O Little Town of Bethlehem (Davies). Fourth Lesson: Isaiah 11, vv1–4a; 6–9, read by the chaplain, the Rev Andrew Hammond. There Is No Rose (Maconchy). The Lamb (Tavener). Fifth Lesson: Luke 1, vv26–35; 38, read by a member of college staff. The Angel Gabriel (Philip Moore) (first performance, King's College commission). Joys Seven (arr Cleobury). Sixth Lesson: Luke 2, vv1–7, read by a representative of the City of Cambridge. Silent Night (arr Cleobury). Candlelight Carol (Rutter). Seventh Lesson: Luke 2, vv8–17, read director of music Daniel Hyde. While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night. Away in a Manger (arr Cleobury). Eighth Lesson: Matthew 2, vv1–12, read by the vice-provost. Coventry Carol (Leighton). Sir Christèmas (Mathias). Ninth Lesson: John 1, vv1–14, read by the provost. O Come, All Ye Faithful (desc Willcocks). Collect and Blessing. Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (desc Ledger). Organ voluntaries: In dulci jubilo, BWV729 (Bach). Symphony No 6 (fifth mvt) (Vierne). With organ scholar Dónal McCann. Broadcast yesterday 3pm Radio 4 **Festive highlights: pages 248–249**

Scala Radio

DAB scalaradio.co.uk Sky 0216

6.00am In the Park Calming sounds.
7.00 Charles Nove Vibrant and soothing music.
10.00 Simon Mayo
1.00pm Sam Hughes Popular classical works.
4.00 Penny Smith An eclectic playlist.
7.00 Nordoff Robbins Christmas Concert Scala Radio teams up with Nordoff Robbins, the UK's largest independent music therapy charity, to record their Christmas concert. With readings. (R)
9.00 William Orbit in the Space A festive twist.
10.00 Hannah Cox
1.00am Night Music Nonstop music.

Absolute Radio

DAB absoluteradio.co.uk
F'view 727 **F'sat** 724 **Sky** 0107 **Virgin** 915

6.00am Jay Lawrence 10.00 Claire Sturgess 1.00pm Dave Berry 4.00 Bush and Richie 7.00 The Isle of Wight Festival Pete Donaldson and Sarah Champion with highlights from this year's June event, with performances by Biffy Clyro, George Ezra and Noel Gallagher **10.00 Christmas Cracker** Festive comedy by Sarah Millican, Rob Beckett and Chris Ramsey **12.00 Time to Listen** With Adam Clayton and Skin **1.00am Dan Noble**

4.00 Arctic Sound Walk ***2/3.*** **Being and Belonging.** Horatio Clare continues trekking Greenland's Arctic Circle Trail, accompanied by Andy Fell's location sound recordings plus music by Sibelius, John Luther Adams, Olafur Arnalds and Nordic Affect, and Norwegian composer Terje Isungset's ice music. Concludes tomorrow.
5.15 New Generation Artists Anastasia Kobekina (cello), Elisabeth Brauss (piano)
Schubert *Arpeggione Sonata, D821*
6.15 Words and Music Anthony Calf and Louise Jameson read swan-themed excerpts by WB Yeats, Hans Christian Andersen, Rilke and Tennyson, with music by Saint-Saëns, Villa-Lobos, Tchaikovsky, Rautavaara and Sibelius. (R)
7.30 BBC Proms 2019 With Sara Mohr-Pietsch. Recorded at the Royal Albert Hall, London. Dunedin Consort, director John Butt
Bach *Orchestral Suite No 4 in D, BWV1069*
Nico Muhly *Tambourin*
Bach *Orchestral Suite No 1 in C, BWV1066*
Stevie Wishart *The Last Dance?*
8.25 Interval Henry Wood's role in the Bach revival, with Sara Mohr-Pietsch.
8.45 Ailie Robertson *Chaconne*
Bach *Orchestral Suite No 2 in B minor, BWV1067*
Stuart MacRae *Courante*
Bach *Orchestral Suite No 3 in D, BWV1068* (R)
9.45 The Essay: Open Endings ***3/5.*** **The Wind in the Willows.** AL Kennedy imagines what happened to Mole, Badger and Rat after Kenneth Grahame's story ended.
10.00 BBC Proms 2019 Recorded at the Royal Albert Hall in August, the BBC Singers, Nu Civilisation Orchestra, pianist Monty Alexander and Carleen Anderson and the UK Vocal Assembly draw on Duke Ellington's *Sacred Concerts* for a selection of the band leader's music. Conductor Peter Edwards. With Georgia Mann. (R)
11.45 Night Tracks With Sarah Mohr-Pietsch. (R)
12.30am Through the Night With Catriona Young. **Jacquet de La Guerre** *Violin Sonata No 1 in D minor* **Corelli** *Violin Sonata in G minor, Op 5 No 5* **Jacquet de La Guerre** *Violin Sonatas: No 2 in D ; No 5 in A minor* **Corelli** *Violin Sonata in D minor, Op 5 No 12 (Follia)* **Bach** *Violin Sonata No 4 in C minor, BWV1017 (1st mvt)* Lina Tur Bonet, Kenneth Weiss (harpsichord) **1.32 Mozart** *Partita in E flat, K Anh C 17.3* **1.56 Mendelssohn** *Symphony No 1 in C minor* **2.31 Tavener** *The Hidden Treasure* **2.58 Palestrina** *Missa in duplicibus minoribus II* **3.32 Mattheson** *Sonata in C minor, Op 1 No 4* **3.38 Ovalle, arr Peter** *Tiefenbach Azulão* **3.41 Josef Strauss** *Dorfschwalben aus Österreich, Op 164* **3.49 Sibelius** *Ballad (Karelia Suite)* **3.57 Bo Holten** *Nowell Sing We Now* **4.01 Mendelssohn** *On Wings of Song, Op 34 No 2 (arr clarinet and piano)* **4.04 Handel, arr Steele-Perkins** *Three Airs from Vauxhall Gardens* **4.16 Suk** *Meditation on an Old Czech Hymn (St Wenceslas)* **4.23 Elsner** *Overture: Echo in the Woods* **4.31 Cornelius, arr Atkins** *Three Kings* **4.34 Vivaldi** *Violin Concerto in F minor, RV297 (Winter) (The Four Seasons)* **4.42 Grieg** *Dance in A, Op 64 No 2* **4.49 Trond Kverno** *Corpus Christi Carol (Missa fidei mysterii)* **5.06 Chopin** *Scherzo No 4 in E, Op 54* **5.17 Tchaikovsky** *Suite: Swan Lake* **5.39 Reinecke** *Trio in A minor, Op 188* **6.02 Haydn** *Trumpet Concerto in E flat, H VIIe 1* **6.18 Madetoja** *Dance Vision, Op 11* **6.26 Trad, arr Davies** *The Holly and the Ivy*

Classic FM

99.9–101.9 FM DAB classicfm.com
Freeview 731 **Freesat** 721 **Sky** 0106 **Virgin** 922

6.00am Christmas Day Breakfast with Aled Jones Carols and seasonal favourites.
10.00 Christmas Day Requests with Anne-Marie Minhall Dedications.
1.00pm The Nation's Favourite Carol John Brunning with this year's poll of listeners' 30 favourite carols. Last year *O Holy Night* was the winner for the third year in a row.
3.00 The Queen's Speech Christmas message.
3.05 Christmas at Buckingham Palace Nicholas Owen once again introduces the annual carol concert staged at the Buckingham Palace Ballroom for the Queen's staff, this year with a Victoria and Albert theme. Recorded on Thursday.
5.00 Derek Jacobi Narrates The Nutcracker RT The story of how young Clara's favourite present, a nutcracker shaped like a little man, turns into a prince as the clock chimes midnight on Christmas Eve. Tchaikovsky's score is performed by Septura. **Festive highlights: pages 248–249**
7.00 Smooth Carols With Jane Jones.
10.00 Smooth Classics
1.00am Bob Jones A blend of night-time music.



BBC Radio 4

92.4–94.6 FM 198 LW DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4
Freeview 704 **Freesat** 704 (FM) 710 (LW)
Sky 0104 (FM) 0143 (LW) **Virgin** 904 (FM) 911 (LW)
News 5.30am, 6.00 and hourly to 3.05pm, 4.00 and hourly to 12 midnight
Weather 6.05am, 1.13pm, 5.57, 9.59, 12.30am;
Shipping Forecasts 5.20am, 12.01pm (*LW*), 5.54 (*LW*), 12.48am

5.30am News Briefing

5.43 Prayer for the Day
With Bishop Sarah Mullally, the Bishop of London.

5.45 Farming Today Rural news.

5.58 Tweet of the Day
The Twelve Tweets of Christmas. Swans. (R)

6.00 Neil Gaiman and the BBC Symphony Orchestra
Shortened rpt from Monday 23 December 7.30pm Radio 3
Festive highlights: pages 248–249

7.00 The Listening Project With Fi Glover.

8.00 With Great Pleasure at Christmas
Clare Balding shares her life told through books she loves with readers Hugh Bonneville and Alice Arnold, including pieces by Bill Bryson and PG Wodehouse, along with songs from the musicals *Wicked* and *The Greatest Showman*. Producer Beth O'Dea Repeated 10pm

9.00 Christmas Service
A Nativity service from the Wintershall Estate near Guildford. The Bishop of Dorking, Jo Bailey Wells, explores why people love the richness of the Christmas story. With Baptist minister Richard Littledale, hymns, and brass led by St Martin's Voices. Producer Andrew Earis

9.45 Book of the Week: Last Christmas
3/5. Reflections on Christmas, curated by Emma Thompson and Greg Wise, today with Aimee Mullins, the American athlete and actress. Then it's the turn of Bill Scanlon, who after a successful career, fell on hard times. Then things changed.
For details see Monday 23 December Repeated 12.30am

10.00 Woman's Hour With Jenni Murray.

10.41 Kilvert's Diary *3/5.* The *15-Minute Drama*. For details see drama repeat 7.45pm

10.55 The Listening Project Christmas Special
A special edition of the programme capturing the nation in conversation, in partnership with the British Library. Presented by Fi Glover.

11.00 Soul Music
Stories around the *Coventry Carol*, which tells the story of the Slaughter of the Innocents.
Producer Sara Conkey Repeated 9.30pm

11.30 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show!
RT **Good King Senseless.** Attempted musical festivities are served up by Count Arthur Strong's radio repertory company. Steve Delaney stars as Count Arthur, supported by Mel Giedroyc, Alastair Kerr, Dave Mounfield and Terry Kilkelly.
Festive highlights: pages 248–249

12.04pm The Secret Commonwealth
3/10. Simon Russell Beale reads from the second volume of Philip Pullman's *The Book of Dust* trilogy. No longer safe in Jordan College, Lyra returns to Godstow.
For details see Mon 23 December Repeated 10.45pm

12.18 Pick of the Year
Brexitcast presenters Katya Adler and Adam Fleming co-host a selection of BBC radio highlights from the past year.
Producer Stephen Garner Rptd New Year's Eve 10pm

1.15 Three Vicars Talking
RT Reverends Richard Coles, Kate Bottley and Giles Fraser talk about three of the most significant ceremonies carried out by Church of England vicars – Advent, the Nativity play, and Midnight Mass. Producer Neil Morrow
Festive highlights: pages 248–249
The Rev Richard Coles: page 59

1.45 In Their Element
3/5. **Gold.** Chemist Andrea Sella celebrates how the element gold enhances our lives.
For details see Monday 23 December

2.00 The Archers Repeated from yesterday 7pm

2.15 Drama: A Time to Dance
Lucy Gannon's retelling of the traditional Christmas story, featuring two helpless people facing an uncertain future and an elderly shepherd who has carried grief for a lifetime.

Joseph	**Nikesh Patel**	Sam	**Greg Jones**
Isaac	**Karl Johnson**	The narrator	**Jessica Turner**
Mary	**Scarlett Courtney**	Angel	**Shaun Mason**
Heli	**Clive Hayward**	Innkeeper's wife	**Lucy Reynolds**
Ben	**Will Kirk**		

Producer/Director Allegra McIlroy

3.00 HM The Queen Christmas message.

3.05 News

3.15 Book of the Week: Last Christmas
Repeated from yesterday 9.45am

3.30 All in the Mind Rptd from yesterday 9pm

4.00 Neil Gaiman's "Chivalry"
RT Glenda Jackson stars in a quirky, funny and sweet Christmas story centred on Mrs Whitaker, who finds the Holy Grail in a charity shop. Along the way, she meets her friend Mrs Greenberg for macaroons, and recieves a visit from a handsome young man who says he's called Galaad (played by *Game of Thrones* star Kit Harington).

Narrator/ Mrs Whitaker	**Glenda Jackson**	Mrs Greenberg	**Jessica Turner**
		Marie	**Lucy Reynolds**
Sir Galaad	**Kit Harington**		

Producer/Director Allegra McIlroy
Festive highlights: pages 248–249

4.30 A Very John Kearns Christmas
Comedian John Kearns shares recordings of his family's Christmas dinners, interspersed with stand-up material.

5.00 Loose Ends Lounge
Clive Anderson and Sara Cox are joined by Adrian Dunbar, Raymond Blanc, Desiree Burch and Dickie Beau. With music by the Delines and Cleveland Watkiss. Producer Sukey Firth (R)

6.00 Six o'Clock News

6.15 Christmas Compass
2/4. **In the DRC.** By Alexander McCall Smith. An intrepid reporter in search of his next big story remembers the importance of kindness. Read by Thierry Mabonga. Producer Claire Simpson

6.30 The Missing Hancocks
Christmas at Aldershot. Missing episodes from the 1950s radio comedy by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson. Hancock is looking forward to Christmas, until his call-up papers arrive.

Tony Hancock	**Kevin McNally**	Kenneth Williams	**Robin Sebastian**
Sid James	**Simon Greenall**	Bill	Moira Lister
Kerr	**Kevin Eldon**		**Margaret Cabourn-Smith**

Producers Neil Pearson and Hayley Sterling

7.00 The Archers Tom puts his foot in it.
For cast see Friday 3 January Repeated tomorrow 2pm

7.15 Front Row
Samira Ahmed looks at the church as a growing arts venue, with Simon Jenkins – co-author of *England's Thousand Best Churches* – picking out churches worth visiting for their art.
Producer Edwina Pitman

7.45 Kilvert's Diary
3/5. **Christmas Cheer.** Adapted by Kate McAll. On Christmas morning, Kilvert takes his bath, before heading out on a four-mile walk to Bettws Chapel for a christening.
For cast and details see Mon 23 December Rptd from 10.41am

8.00 The Museum of Curiosity
Repeated from Monday 23 December 6.15pm

8.45 Four Thought
Monisha Rajesh says the romanace of train travel is not dead, just reincarnated.
Producer Sheila Cook Repeated Saturday 5.45am

9.00 Science Stories
3/3. Surprising stories from the history of science told by Naomi Alderman and Philip Ball.

9.30 Soul Music Repeated from 11am

10.00 With Great Pleasure at Christmas
Repeated from 8am

10.45 The Secret Commonwealth
3/10. Repeated from 12.04pm

11.00 Bunk Bed
5/6. Peter Curran and Patrick Marber converse in the dark, topics tonight including naked river swimming. Producer Peter Curran (R)

11.30 Conversations from a Long Marriage at Christmas
Joanna Lumley and Roger Allam star in a comedy by Jan Etherington. The couple plan an indulgent Christmas, but a late-night call dampens their spirits. Producer Claire Jones (R)

12.00 News

12.15am Christmas Meditation
As Christmas Day draws to a close, actress Sally Phillips explores making room for the new and protecting the vulnerable.
Producer Alexa Good

12.30–12.45 Book of the Week: Last Christmas ***3/5.*** Repeated from 9.45am

1.00 as BBC World Service

BBC Radio 4 Extra

DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4extra
Freeview 708 **Freesat** 708 **Sky** 0131 **Virgin** 910
6.00am Brother Cadfael – Monk's Hood (3/5)
6.30 Bringing Holly from the Bongs
7.00 Electric Ink 2009 comedy (2/6)
7.30 The Missing Hancocks Comedy
8.00 Hancock's Half Hour 1995 re-recording
8.30 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Christmas Radio Show From 1997
9.00 Booked Ian McMillan's literary game (6/6)
9.30 An Actor's Life for Me 1990 sitcom (2/6)
10.00 The Ladies' Delight By Emile Zola (1/2)
11.00 Sue Perkins's Christmas Comedy Stocking
12.00 Hancock's Half Hour as 8am
12.30pm The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Christmas Radio Show From 1997
1.00 Brother Cadfael – Monk's Hood (3/5)
1.30 Bringing Holly from the Bongs Grown-ups in 2015 return to the Cheshire inn where in 1965 they performed a nativity play by Alan Garner
2.00 The Wolf Border By Sarah Hall (8/10)
2.15 The History of Pop With John Peel (3/4)
2.30 Northanger Abbey Miriam Margolyes narrates Hattie Naylor's dramatisation of Jane Austen's satire on the gothic novel – an early Austen work published posthumously in 1817. With Georgia Groome (3/10)
2.45 Maggie Smith – a Biography Peter Firth reads Michael Coveney's profile of Maggie Smith, who since 1952 has hit big on stage (*Hay Fever, The Way of the World*), on film (*The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie, California Suite*) and on TV (*Downton Abbey*) (3/5)
3.00 Goldfinger Archie Scottney's dramatisation of Ian Fleming's 1959 novel. With Toby Stephens, Ian McKellen, John Standing, Ian Ogilvy, Rosamund Pike, Lisa Dillon, Tim Pigott-Smith and Tom Hollander
4.30 The Woman Who Invented James Bond? Miles Jupp profiles British novelist Phyllis Bottome (1884–1963). Did she invent Bond seven years before the character's debut in Ian Fleming's *Casino Royale*
5.00 Electric Ink Alistair Beaton's 2009 satire (2/6)
5.30 The Missing Hancocks Comedy
6.00 Doctor Who – Serpent Crest Tom Baker stars in Paul Magrs's sci-fi *The Broken Crown* (1/2)
6.30 The Palace of Laughter (4/6)
7.00 Hancock's Half Hour as 8am
7.30 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Christmas Radio Show From 1997
8.00 Brother Cadfael – Monk's Hood (3/5)
8.30 Bringing Holly from the Bongs
9.00 Sue Perkins's Christmas Comedy Stocking
10.00–12.00 Comedy Club: The Missing Hancocks, at **10.30 Arthur Smith's Balham Bash** (4/4), at **11.00 Clare in the Community** (4/6), and at **11.30 Absolute Power** (1/6)
12.00 as 6pm **12.30am** as 6.30pm **1.00** as 8pm **1.30** as 8.30pm **2.00** as 2pm **2.15** as 2.15pm **2.30** as 2.30pm **2.45** as 2.45pm **3.00** as 3pm **4.30** as 4.30pm **5.00** as 5pm **5.30** as 5.30pm

BBC World Service

DAB bbc.co.uk/worldserviceradio
Freeview* 710 **Freesat** 711 **Sky** 0115 **Virgin** 906
Programmes may differ online, and on Freesat, Sky, and Virgin
5.00am News **5.05** The Newsroom **5.30** Digital Planet: technological developments **6.00** Newsday: the latest headlines **8.30** Business Daily **8.50** Witness History **9.00** News **9.05** The Documentary: Living the Star Wars **10.00** World Update **11.00** The Newsroom **11.30** The Documentary: River by Joni Mitchell **12.00** News **12.05pm** Outlook **12.50** Witness History **1.00** The Newsroom **1.30** The Compass: Chinese Dreams **2.00** Newshour **3.00** News **3.05** HM The Queen's Christmas Message **3.10** Hardtalk **3.30** World Business Report: informed analysis **4.00** BBC OS **6.00** News **6.05** Outlook **6.50** Witness History **7.00** News **7.05** The Newsroom **7.30** Sport Today **8.00** News **8.05** Hardtalk **8.30** Healthcheck **9.00** Newshour **10.00** News **10.05** The Newsroom **10.20** Sports News **10.30** World Business Report **11.00** News **11.05** The Compass: Chinese Dreams **11.30** The Documentary: River by Joni Mitchell **12.00** News **12.05am** The Documentary: Living the Star Wars **1.00** News **1.05** Business Matters **2.00** News **2.05** The Newsroom **2.30** The Documentary: River by Joni Mitchell **3.00** News **3.05** Outlook **3.50** Witness History **4.00** News **4.05** The Inquiry **4.30** The Food Chain

BBC Radio 5 Live

693, 909 MW DAB bbc.co.uk/fivelive
F'view 705 **F'sat** 705 **Sky** 0105 **Virgin** 905
Sports Extra F'view 706 **F'sat** 706
Sky 0144 **Virgin** 908
News and **sport** as Mon 23 December

5.00am Headliners
An interview with Billy Connolly.

6.00 5 Live's Summer of Sport
Sarah Brett with a summer review.
Repeated Sunday 29 December 11am

7.00 5 Live Breakfast

9.00 Elis James and John Robins
A special festive compilation from their Friday afternoon show.
Repeated Friday 27 December 1pm

11.00 Laura Whitmore
Interviews from the past year.

12.00 5 Live News

12.30pm That Peter Crouch Podcast Double bill. (R)

2.00 Headliners Interviews with Liam Gallagher and Chrissie Hynde.

3.00 5 Live News
Including the Queen's speech.

3.30 Headliners
Interviews with Westlife and Dido.

4.30 Scott Mills and Chris Stark
Highlights of the Saturday show.

6.30 5 Live News

7.00 Tailenders
Recorded in October at the Hackney Empire. Repeated tomorrow 10am

8.00 Kermode and Mayo's Film Review Highlights of the year.
Repeated Friday 27 December 3pm

10.00 5 Live News

10.30 Headliners
RT Comedians who have appeared on the podcast this year.
Festive highlights: pp248–249

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
11.00–5.00 Cricket
Australia v New Zealand.
Continues until 7.30am.

1.00am Blood on the Tracks
Two episodes with Colin Murray. (R)

3.00 The Paradise Interviews
Four episodes of the *Paradise* podcast.

Talksport

1053, 1089 MW DAB talksport.co.uk
F'view 723 **F'sat** 731 **Sky** 0108 **Virgin** 927

6.00am Sports Breakfast with All the Trimmings With Alan Brazil.
10.00 Jim White's Christmas
12.00 XI Famous people pick their dream team. Today: Shane Meadows.
1.00pm Hawksbee and Jacobs Clips of the Year
4.00 2019: The Verdict
6.00 GameDay Preview
7.00 Sporting Year in Review
9.00 Liverpool – Champions of Europe
10.00 Sports Bar's Funniest Sporting Moments
1.00am Extra Time With Paul Ross.

LBC

97.3 FM (London area) DAB lbc.co.uk
F'view 732 **F'sat** 734 **Sky** 0124 **Virgin** 919
7.00am Nick Ferrari
10.00 James O'Brien
1.00pm Shelagh Fogarty
4.00 Eddie Mair
6.00 Nigel Farage
7.00 Iain Dale
10.00 Tom Swarbrick
1.00am Darren Adam
4.00 Steve Allen Topical musings.

Asian Network

DAB bbc.co.uk/asiannetwork
F'view 709 **F'sat** 709 **Sky** 0119 **Virgin** 912
6.00am Harpz Kaur
10.00 Waqas Saeed
1.00pm Asian Network Live: 2019 Highlights
4.00 Yasser New music.
7.00 Lata Mangeshkar@90
12.00 Asian Network's Mixtape Series
12.30am Asian Network Playlists
1.00 Benji B Electronic music.
3.00 1Xtra Mixes 4.00 Residency

*Not available on Freeview in Scotland 4pm–1am. **Key** (R) Repeat

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Today's Choices



Crossing Continents
11.00am ***Radio 4***

Iceland owes much of its thriving tourist industry to the cold. It's in the name. But as the climate continues to warm, the glaciers that draw visitors are shrinking which, ironically, could bring plane-loads more people seeking a last glimpse of them. Here, Maria Margaronis talks to the Icelanders whose livelihoods are caught up in this frightening paradox. Reactions are mixed; for many people, the glaciers seem eternal. But these national treasures might be gone in 200 years.

TOM GOULDING

Today
6.00am ***Radio 4***

The guest editorships begin, amid claims of left-wing bias. Greta Thunberg (who edits on Monday) has attracted the most attention from those who think the BBC is full enough of hand-wringing liberals, but it's a cross-dressing artist, Grayson Perry, who starts things off today with a look at stereotypes. Then there's the woman who stopped Boris Johnson proroguing Parliament, Brenda Hale, before Margaret Thatcher's biographer Charles Moore adds supposed balance. Thoughtful rapper George the Poet completes the quintet but it's not about politics, just the interests of some questing, curious minds. **DAVID CRAWFORD**

BEST OF THE REST...

Sombre reality intrudes on the festive season in **Feeding the Problem** *(8.00pm Radio 4)*, which argues that giving food to homeless people might not be such a good idea. **The Story of Decca** *(8.00pm Classic FM)* honours the great record label as it turns 90, while in **Martin Freeman: Decades** *(1.00pm 6 Music)*, the actor ranges across a lifetime of devoted listening.

KERRY HYNDMAN

BBC Radio 1

97.6–99.8 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio1
F'view* 700 **F'sat** 700 **Sky** 0101 **Virgin** 901

7.00am Radio 1 Anthems
Celebrating 20 years of dance anthems, starting with the year 2000, at **10.00** the tunes of 2001, at **1.00pm** 2002, and rounding off with 2003 at **4.00**.
7.00pm Annie Mac
9.00 Rickie, Melvin and Charlie
11.00 Radio 1's Indie Show
1.00am Radio 1's Soundsystem
3.00 Radio 1's Chillout Anthems (R)
4.00 Breakfast Show

BBC Radio 2

88–90.2 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio2
F'view* 702 **F'sat** 702 **Sky** 0102 **Virgin** 902

5.00am Grace Dent
6.30 Nicki Chapman
9.30 Gary Davies
Music, chat and features including after **11.30 Tracks of My Years**, with singer Jane McDonald discussing two more records of personal significance.
12.00 Tracks of My Years
Another chance to hear the omnibus edition of the daily feature from Ken Bruce's morning show in which a guest shares ten of their favourite records of all time. Here, Elton John discusses discs by Elvis Presley, Little Richard, the Beatles, Aretha Franklin, the Band and others. First broadcast in October. (R)
2.00 Craig Charles
5.00 Joe Lycett
The stand-up comedian sits in for Sara Cox with music and laughs.
7.00 Radio 2 in Concert – Bryan Adams
A special gig featuring the Canadian rock-pop star, recorded in 2004 at Abbey Road Studios in London. (R)
8.00 Bryan Adams Rocks!
2/2. More rock favourites, with attention to the 1970s, 80s and 90s.
9.00 The Green Room
4/4. Saxophonist Leo Green and his band perform covers of 1972 hits.
10.00 Trevor Nelson's Rhythm Nation
12.00 Phil Williams
3.00am Tracks of My Years
Omnibus edition, with Jane McDonald discussing ten of her favourite tracks.
4.00 The Craig Charles House Party Mixtape Funk and soul sounds.
4.30 Huey Morgan's The Times of Our Lives Regular segment taken from Huey Morgan's Friday show.

BBC 6 Music

DAB bbc.co.uk/6music
Freeview 707 **Freesat** 707 **Sky** 0120 **Virgin** 909

7.30am Amy Lamé
10.30 Mary Anne Hobbs With US rapper Denzel Curry and 2019 sets.
1.00pm Martin Freeman: Decades
New series. 1/6. Over the next six days the British actor shares his favourite music from six decades, beginning with the 1960s.
4.00 Wise Women
3/3. Poet Kate Tempest with a pick of music and, from **7.00**, seven hours of archive programmes. At **7.00** *Iggy Pop* From 2014; at **9.00** *Army of Me: Björk Now* Miranda Sawyer's 2015 interview with the Icelandic musician; at **10.00** *Amazing Grace* Gemma Cairney's 2015 interview with the inimitable Grace Jones; at **12.00** *Paperback Writers* Writer Candice Carty-Williams picks the music. From 2019; and at **1.00am** *Live Hour* Archive sets.
2.00 Jukebox 5.00 Chris Hawkins

BBC Radio 3

90.2–92.4 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio3
Freeview* 703 **Freesat** 703 **Sky** 0103 **Virgin** 903
News and **weather** as Monday 23 December

6.30am Breakfast With Petroc Trelawny.
9.00 Essential Classics With Ian Skelly. Featuring at **10.50** guest Gareth Malone, and at **11.10 Essential Five,** with music from ballets.
12.00 Composer of the Week: Corelli
4/5. **Corelli's Contemporaries.** Donald Macleod examines Corelli's life and character through his relationships with musical contemporaries, including the young Handel.
Corelli *Sonatas in A minor, Op 4 No 5; Sonata in B minor, Op 4 No 12* London Baroque
Sonatas in C, Op 2 No 3; Sonata in F, Op 2 No 7
Avison Ensemble, director Pavlo Beznosiuk
Handel *Violin Concerto in B flat, HWV288*
Academy of Ancient Music, director Richard Egarr
Corelli *Sonata in G minor, WoO 2*
La Stagione, director Michael Schneider
Corelli, arr Schickhardt *Concerto grosso in C minor, Op 6 No 3* Le Concert Français
1.00pm Radio 3 Lunchtime Concert
Kate Molleson continues her Grieg celebration.
Christian Ihle Hadland (piano)
Grieg *Lyric Pieces, Op 71 Nos 1 – 7*
Nielsen *Chaconne, Op 32*
Grieg *Ballade, Op 24*
2.00 Afternoon Concert
Opera Matinée. Fiona Talkington presents a concert performance of Bizet's exotic romance in which two sworn friends fall out over the love of a veiled priestess. Recorded at the Royal Opera House, London, in October 2010.
Les Pêcheurs de perles

Leila	**Nicole Cabell** (soprano)
Nadir	**John Osborn** (tenor)
Zurga	**Gerald Finley** (baritone)
Nourabad	**Raymond Aceto** (bass)

Royal Opera House Chorus and Orchestra, conductor Antonio Pappano
4.00 Arctic Sound Walk
3/3. As Horatio Clare concludes his journey, he considers the changes Greenland is experiencing because of both climate change and international interest in its mineral wealth. As well as readings of Greenlandic poetry, the programme features music by John Luther Adams, Ravel, Rachmaninov and Casals, plus the minimalist folk music of British group Spiro and works by Steve Reich, Michael Gordon, Vikingur Olafsson, Jonas Bonnetta, Meredith Monk and the Norwegian artist Biosphere.
5.15 New Generation Artists
Misha Mullov-Abbado *Stillness*
Misha Mullov-Abbado Group
Rachmaninov *A Dream, Op 38 No 5; Sing Not to Me, Op 4 No 4; The Little Island, Op 14 No 2; They Answered, Op 21 No 4*
Katharina Konradi (soprano), Wolfram Rieger (piano)
Mendelssohn *String Quartet in A minor, Op 13*
Aris Quartet
Scarlatti *Piano Sonata in D, Kk492* Elisabeth Brauss

Scala Radio

DAB scalaradio.co.uk Sky 0216

6.00am In the Park Calming sounds.
7.00 Charles Nove Vibrant and soothing music.
10.00 Simon Mayo Listeners' requests.
1.00pm Sam Hughes Popular classical works.
4.00 Penny Smith A varied musical selection.
7.00 Charlie Higson and Friends Charlie Higson with a seasonal special, accompanied by *Fast Show* co-stars Paul Whitehouse and Simon Day, comedian Bob Mortimer and composer David Arnold. (R)
9.00 William Hill in the Space
10.00 Hannah Cox
1.00am Night Music

Absolute Radio

DAB absoluteradio.co.uk
F'view 727 **F'sat** 724 **Sky** 0107 **Virgin** 915

6.00am Jay Lawrence 10.00 Claire Sturgess 1.00pm Ross Buchanan 5.00 CHOICE: The Greatest Songs of the 80s Sarah Champion with a Top 100 of the decade **See pp248–249** **9.00 Tribes of the 80s** The decade's cultural movements, from New Romantics to rude boys **11.00 Inside Abbey Road** A peek inside London's iconic studios, with musicians, producers and fans (R) **12.00 Time to Listen 1.00am Dan Noble**

6.15 Words and Music
Actors Jamie Glover and Skye Hallam read words written by the Pre-Raphaelites, alongside excerpts from sources that so fascinated them. Works by Dante, Dickens, Shakespeare all feature, as does music by Gilbert and Sullivan, Debussy and Florence Welch. (R)
7.30 BBC Proms 2019
Another chance to hear the Warner Bros Prom recorded at the Royal Albert Hall, London, in August. Presented by Petroc Trelawny.
Mikaela Bennett, Louise Dearman, Kate Lindsey and Matt Ford (singers), Maida Vale Singers, John Wilson Orchestra, conductor John Wilson
Korngold *The Sea Hawk (excerpt)*
Warren *We're in the Money (Gold Diggers of 1933)*
Romberg *The Desert Song*
Steiner *The Treasure of the Sierra Madre (excerpt)*
Tiomkin *The Old Man and the Sea (excerpt)*
Willson *Seventy-Six Trombones (The Music Man)*
Arlen *Blues in the Night*
Loewe *My Fair Lady (excerpt)*
Steiner *Now, Voyager (excerpt)*
Fain *The Deadwood Stage (Calamity Jane)*
Styne *It's Magic*
North *A Streetcar Named Desire (excerpt)*
Loewe *Camelot (excerpt)*
Mancini *The Days of Wine and Roses*
Korngold *The Constant Nymph (excerpt)* (R)
10.00 The Essay: Open Endings
4/5. **Anna Karenina.** British-Turkish novelist Elif Shafak chooses Leo Tolstoy's novel, imagining what happened to the characters after the story ends.
10.15 BBC Proms in Japan
Nick Luscombe presents Tokyo-based artists in experimental music recorded in November at EDGEof in Shibuya, Tokyo.
Akaihirume (singer), Masanori Oishi (saxophone), Emiko Miura (toy piano/keyboard), Sugai Ken and Carl Stone (electronics)
Sugai Ken *Improvised set*
Toshio Hosokawa *Spell Song*
Yuji Takahashi *Embers*
Karen Tanaka *Techno Etude 1*
Takemitsu *A Song of Love (Uninterrupted Rest)*
JacobTV *Sho-myo*
Carl Stone/Akaihirume *Improvised set*
11.45 Unclassified With Elizabeth Alker.
12.30am Through the Night With Catriona Young.
Beethoven *Overture: Leonora No 2* **Stravinsky** *Violin Concerto* **Esa-Pekka Salonen** *Lachen Verlernt* **Beethoven** *Symphony No 5 in C minor* **Bach** *Air (Suite No 3 in D, BWV1068)* Leila Josefowicz (violin), CBSO, conductor Mirga Grazinyte-Tyla **1.45 Strauss** *Piano Sonata* **2.09 Rubbra** *Piano Trio, Op 68* **2.31 De la Rue** *Missa Sancto Job* **3.43 Matthias Schmitt** *Ghanaia* **1.50 Durante** *Concerto No 1 in F minor* **4.04 Schumann** *Fantasiestücke, Op 73* **4.14 Dvorak** *Silent Woods* **4.21 Kuula** *South Ostrobothnian Dances, Op 17 (selection)* **4.31 Zarebski** *Polonaise triomphale, Op 11* **4.40 Spohr** *Harp Fantasia No 2 in C minor, Op 35* **4.49 Schubert, orch Webern** *Six German Dances* **4.58 Stenhammar** *Spring Night* **5.07 Kodaly** *Adagio for violin and piano* **5.17 Doppler** *Fantaisie pastorale hongroise, Op 26* **5.28 Elgar** *Sea Pictures* **5.51 Glinka** *Trio pathétique* **6.06 Rodrigo** *Concierto de Aranjuez* (R)

Classic FM

99.9–101.9 FM DAB classicfm.com
Freeview 731 **Freesat** 721 **Sky** 0106 **Virgin** 922

6.00am More Music Breakfast
A selection of carols and seasonal favourites.
9.00 Bill Turnbull With popular favourites.
1.00pm Katie Breathwick Seasonal music.
5.00 Nicholas Owen
A selection of festive favourites, including **Smooth Classics** at **7.00**.
8.00 The Story of Decca
1/5. Darren Henley looks back at 90 years of British label Decca Records, established by Edward Lewis with a view to producing affordable music that could be owned by everyone. The label's formidable roster of both classical and popular artists includes Kathleen Ferrier, Joan Sutherland, Luciano Pavarotti, Billie Holiday, conductors Georg Solti and Herbert von Karajan, Bing Crosby, Judy Garland, the Rolling Stones and Nicola Benedetti. This royal-themed first instalment includes discs by sopranos Kiri Te Kanawa and Renée Fleming and cellist Sheku Kanneh-Mason. Continues tomorrow.
10.00 Smooth Classics
Presented by Karthi Gnanasegaram.
1.00am Bob Jones Night-time music.

BBC Radio 4

92.4–94.6 FM 198 LW DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4
Freeview 704 **Freesat** 704 (FM) 710 (LW)
Sky 0104 (FM) 0143 (LW) **Virgin** 904 (FM) 911 (LW)
News, weather and **shipping forecasts** as Monday 23 December; no weather at 5.57am

5.30am News Briefing

5.43 Prayer for the Day
With Bishop Sarah Mullally, the Bishop of London.

5.45 Farming Today

5.58 Tweet of the Day
The Twelve Tweets of Christmas. Alison Steadmas discovers more about the pigeon. (R)

6.00 Today
RT Justin Webb and Nick Robinson present an edition guest-edited by the artist Grayson Perry.

6.25, 7.25, 8.25 Sports News

7.48 Thought for the Day

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9.00 In Our Time
Tutankhamun. The Ancient Egyptian king is this week's topic, with Melvyn Bragg joined by Elizabeth Frood of Oxford University; Christina Riggs of Oxford University; and John Taylor from the British Museum.
Producer Simon Tillotson Shortened repeat 9.30pm

9.45 *FM* **Book of the Week: Last Christmas**
4/5. Ten writers reflect on what Christmas means to them, curated by Greg Wise and Emma Thompson. Today, Meera Syal reflects on belonging and the festive season, while cardiologist Malcolm Walker has gift-giving on his mind.
For details see Monday 23 December Repeated 12.30am

9.45 *LW* **Daily Service**
An act of worship, featuring readings from scripture and a range of choral music, led by the Rev Dr Isabelle Hamley.

10.00 Woman's Hour With Jenni Murray.

10.45 Kilvert's Diary *4/5*
The *15-Minute Drama*.
For details see drama repeat 7.45pm

11.00 Crossing Continents
RT ***6/9.*** **Iceland: the Great Thaw.** Maria Margaronis talks to Icelandic farmers and fishermen, scientists and environmental activists about climate change.
Producer Richard Fenton-Smith
Repeated Monday 30 December 8.30pm

11.30 Swooshes, Seaboards, Synths and Spawn
Singer, tech enthusiast and multi-instrumentalist Bishi explores how new technologies and artificial intelligence are shaping music creation. Producer Steven Rajam

12.04pm The Secret Commonwealth
4/10. By Philip Pullman. Lyra is on a journey to an old friend when she learns about the Secret Commonwealth. Read by Russell Beale.
For details see Monday 23 December Repeated 10.45pm

12.18 You and Yours

1.00 The World at One With Sarah Montague.

1.45 In Their Element
4/5. **Helium.** Chemist Andrea Sella explores the strange behaviour of helium, its use in party balloons and the search for new sources.
For details see Monday 23 December

2.00 The Archers Rptd from yesterday 7pm

2.15 Drama: Mr Betjeman's Class
1/2. The first of two plays by Jonathan Smith which celebrate the much loved poet John Betjeman. It's 1928, and Betjeman, aged 23, has left Magdalen College without a degree, having spent three years at Oxford being a class-conscious social climber. With his ambitions in ruins, he's reduced to taking a job as the cricket master in a prep school. Concludes tomorrow 2.15pm.

Older Betjeman	**Benjamin Whitrow**	Young Paul/Boy	**Adam Thomas Wright**
Younger Betjeman	**Philippe Edwards**	Cornish woman	**Sandra Duncan**
Betjeman	**Robert Bathurst**	Headmaster/Voice	**Gerard McDermott**
Ernest	**Nicky Henson**	Voices	**Isabella Inchbald, Neil McCaul**
Lady Elizabeth	**Joanna David**	Boys	**Kedar Williams-Stirling, Tom Cawte**
Lady Penelope	**Sarah Crowden**		
Bessie	**Sophie Thompson**		

Producer/Director Bruce Young (R)

3.00 Open Country
Another edition of the magazine programme that explores the great outdoors and reports on the people shaping Britain's landscape.
Repeated Saturday 28 December 6.07am

3.27 Radio 4 Appeal
Repeated from Sunday 22 December 7.54am

3.30 Open Book
Repeated from Sunday 22 December 4pm

4.00 The Film Programme
Screenwriter Frank Cottrell-Boyce reveals the film that has been a constant inspiration to him – Bill Forsyth's *Local Hero*, released in 1983. Presented by Francine Stock.
Producer Stephen Hughes Rptd Sunday 29 December 11pm

4.30 BBC Inside Science
With Adam Rutherford. Rptd 9pm

5.00 PM News headlines.

6.00 Six o'Clock News

6.15 Christmas Compass
3/4. **The Primatologist.** Christmas stories from around the globe by Alexander McCall Smith. A grieving woman finds companionship in an unlikely setting. Read by Meera Syal.
Producer Eilidh McCreadie

6.30 Tom Allen Is Actually Not Very Nice
4/4. The stand-up star works out how best to navigate some tricky social situations and keep a lid on his fury. Producer Richard Morris

7.00 The Archers
There is upheaval at the Bull.
For cast see Friday 3 January Repeated tomorrow 2pm

7.15 Front Row
Candice Carty Williams talks to Bernardine Evaristo, co-winner of the 2019 Booker Prize.
Producer Dymphna Flynn

7.45 Kilvert's Diary
4/5. Adapted by Kate McAll. The clergyman is lovesick for Daisy Thomas and can wait no longer, deciding to ask her father for permission to marry her. But the conversation does not go exactly as he hoped.
For cast and details see Monday 23 December
Repeated from 10.45am

8.00 Feeding the Problem
As chief executive of the homelessness charity Mancunian Way, Nick Buckley knows about life on the streets and he wants passers-by to stop buying food for homeless people. Here he makes his case for why such action doesn't help. Rptd on Sat 28 Dec 11am

8.30 In Business
5/9. To mark next year's 250th anniversary of Beethoven's birth, Clemency Burton-Hill looks at a little-known aspect of the composer's life – Beethoven the entrepreneur. She is joined by leading Beethoven proponents to explore how Beethoven pushed and cajoled music publishers, printers and piano-makers to create a music "industry".
Producer Adele Armstrong Rptd Sun 29 Dec 9.30pm

9.00 BBC Inside Science Rptd from 4.30pm

9.30 In Our Time Shortened repeat from 9am

10.00 The World Tonight

10.45 The Secret Commonwealth
4/10. Repeated from 12.04pm

11.00 Relativity
2/4. Comedy series by Richard Herring starring Alison Steadman and Phil Davis. Margaret and Ken invite the family round to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary, and Jane plans a big surprise for the party.

Margaret	**Alison Steadman**	Pete	**Gordon Kennedy**
Ken	**Phil Davis**	Holly	**Effie Woods**
Jane	**Fenella Woolgar**	Mark	**Fred Haig**
Ian	**Richard Herring**	Nick	**Harrison Knights**
Chloe	**Emily Berrington**	Doris	**Marion Bailey**

Producer Polly Thomas (R)

11.30 What Were They Thinking?
Mark Lawson invites three guests – Zoe Strimpel, Alan Johnson and Ayisha Malik – to take another look at four different cultural big-hitters from 1999 and see how they stack up 20 years on. They are: Sam Mendes's Oscar-winning film *American Beauty*, starring Kevin Spacey; the book *The Rough Guide to the Internet*; the documentary *Walking With Dinosaurs*; and Destiny's Child's big second album *The Writing's on the Wall*. Producer Geoff Bird

12.00 News

12.15am Living Memory
1/5. **Like Children Fighting over Toys**
Centenarians talk about the lives they have led, beginning with 111-year-old Bob Weighton, who is England's oldest man. (R)

12.30–12.45 Book of the Week: Last Christmas ***4/5.*** Repeated from 9.45am

1.00 as BBC World Service

BBC Radio 4 Extra

DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4extra
Freeview 708 **Freesat** 708 **Sky** 0131 **Virgin** 910

6.00am Brother Cadfael – Monk's Hood (4/5)
6.30 50 Years of Chitty Chitty Bang Bang
7.00 Ballylenon 2011 comedy (6/6)
7.30 Tom Allen Is Actually Not Very Nice (3/4)
8.00 The Ken Dodd Show 1965 comedy
8.30 I'm Sorry I'll Read That Again Comedy
9.00 It's Your Round Panel show(3/6)
9.30 Change at Oglethorpe 1996 sitcom (5/6)
10.00 The Ladies' Delight Carine Adler's adaptation of Emile Zola's 1883 novel about love, ambition and fashion, set in an early Paris departement store (2/2)
11.00 Maeve Binchy – The Special Sale as 9pm
11.15 Memories of a Cad as 9.15pm
12.00 The Ken Dodd Show 1965 comedy
12.30pm I'm Sorry I'll Read That Again Comedy
1.00 Brother Cadfael – Monk's Hood (4/5)
1.30 50 Years of Chitty Chitty Bang Bang Brian Sibley celebrates the 50th anniversary of Ian Fleming's one children's book, published in 1964
2.00 The Wolf Border Hattie Morahan reads Sarah Hall's 2015 novel in which a wolf expert is summoned by an eccentric earl to help in reintroducing the grey wolf to the English countryside. Abridged by Sally Marmion. From 2015 (9/10)
2.15 The History of Pop With John Peel (4/4)
2.30 Northanger Abbey By Jane Austen (4/10)
2.45 Maggie Smith – a Biography (4/5)
3.00 Moonraker Archie Scottney's dramatisation of Ian Fleming's 1955 James Bond novel. With Toby Stephens, Samuel West, John Baddeley, Janie Dee, John Standing, Julian Sands, Jared Harris and Patricia Hodge
4.30 The Soviet James Bond The story of fictional Russian character Maxim Maximovich Isaev
5.00 Ballylenon 2011 comedy (6/6)
5.30 Tom Allen Is Actually Not Very Nice (3/4)
6.00 Doctor Who – Serpent Crest Paul Magrs's sci-fi adventure *The Broken Crown* (2/2)
6.30 Great Lives The legacy of British cellist Jacqueline du Pré, who died in 1987, aged 42 (1/9)
7.00 The Ken Dodd Show 1965 comedy
7.30 I'm Sorry I'll Read That Again Comedy
8.00 Brother Cadfael – Monk's Hood (4/5)
8.30 50 Years of Chitty Chitty Bang Bang
9.00 Maeve Binchy – The Special Sale Dervla Kirwan reads a specially commissioned radio tale
9.15 Memories of a Cad Comedy drama by Roy Smiles about a meeting between Terry-Thomas and Richard Briers in Majorca in 1984. From 2014
10.00–12.00 Comedy Club: Tom Allen Is Actually Not Very Nice (3/4), at **10.30 Lewis Macleod Is Not Himself** (2/4), at **11.00 Mr and Mrs Smith** (4/4), and at **11.30 Cowards** (2/4)
12.00 as 6pm **12.30am** as 6.30pm **1.00** as 8pm **1.30** as 8.30pm **2.00** as 2pm **2.15** as 2.15pm **2.30** as 2.30pm **2.45** as 2.45pm **3.00** as 3pm **4.30** as 4.30pm **5.00** as 5pm **5.30** as 5.30pm

BBC World Service

DAB bbc.co.uk/worldserviceradio
Freeview* 710 **Freesat** 711 **Sky** 0115 **Virgin** 906
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5.00am News **5.05** The Newsroom **5.30** Healthcheck **6.00** Newsday **8.30** Business Daily **8.50** Witness History **9.00** News **9.05** The Forum: thought-provoking discussion, with Bridget Kendall **9.50** Sporting Witness **10.00** World Update **11.00** The Newsroom **11.30** The Food Chain **12.00** News **12.05pm** Outlook **12.50** Witness History **1.00** The Newsroom **1.30** Assignment: the BBC's correspondents report first-hand on world events **2.00** Newshour: the stories behind the latest headlines **3.00** News **3.05** The Inquiry **3.30** World Business Report: informed analysis **4.00** BBC OS **6.00** News **6.05** Outlook **6.50** Witness History **7.00** News **7.05** The Newsroom **7.30** Sport Today **8.00** News **8.05** The Inquiry **8.30** Science in Action **9.00** Newshour **10.00** News **10.05** The Newsroom **10.20** Sports News **10.30** World Business Report **11.00** News **11.05** Assignment **11.30** The Food Chain **12.05am** The Forum **12.50** Sporting Witness **1.00** News **1.05** Business Matters **2.00** News **2.05** The Newsroom **2.30** Assignment **3.00** News **3.05** Outlook **3.50** Witness History **4.00** News **4.05** Hardtalk **4.30** World Football

BBC Radio 5 Live

693, 909 MW DAB bbc.co.uk/fivelive
F'view 705 **F'sat** 705 **Sky** 0105 **Virgin** 905
Sports Extra F'view 706 **F'sat** 706
Sky 0144 **Virgin** 908

News and **sport** as Mon 23 December

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
5.00–7.30am Cricket Australia v New Zealand in the Second Test.

5.00am Wake Up to Money

6.00 The Coaches
Gareth Southgate and Eddie Jones discuss coaching philosophies.

7.00 5 Live Breakfast

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
8.00am–12.30pm Cricket
Perth Scorchers v Sydney Sixers.

9.00 At Home with Colin Murray
Interviews with big names in sport.

10.00 Tailenders
Repeated from Christmas Day 7pm

11.00 5 Live Formula One
Members of the 5 Live team compete over knowledge of the season. (R)

12.00 5 Live Sport
Mark Chapman presents coverage of the big games, with updates from Tottenham Hotspur v Brighton and Hove Albion (**12.30pm** kick-off). From **3.00pm** there are updates on the kick-offs in the Premier League, Leagues One and Two and Scottish Premiership. At **5.00 Sports Report**, with updates from Manchester United v Newcastle United (**5.30** kick-off).

6.00pm 6-0-6 Football phone-in.

8.00 5 Live Sport
Emma Saunders with updates from Leicester City v Liverpool (kick-off **8.00**), plus discussion with guests Owen Coyle and Jonathan Greening.

10.00 Adrian Goldberg

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
11.00–5.00am Cricket
Australia v New Zealand in the Second Test. Continues until 7.30am.

1.00am Up All Night

Talksport

1053, 1089 MW DAB talksport.co.uk
F'view 723 **F'sat** 731 **Sky** 0108 **Virgin** 927

6.00am Premier League Preview
7.00 Cricket
8.30 GameDay Warm Up
11.00 GameDay Exclusive
Tottenham v Brighton (**12.30pm** kick-off).
2.30pm GameDay Live Adrian Durham with the 3pm kick-offs.
5.15 GameDay Exclusive
Man United v Newcastle (**5.30** kick-off).
7.30 GameDay Exclusive
Leicester v Liverpool (**8.00** kick-off).
10.00 Sports Bar
1.00am Extra Time With Paul Ross.
5.00 Early Breakfast

LBC

97.3 FM (London area) DAB lbc.co.uk
F'view 732 **F'sat** 734 **Sky** 0124 **Virgin** 919

7.00am Nick Ferrari
10.00 James O'Brien
1.00pm Shelagh Fogarty
4.00 Eddie Mair
6.00 Nigel Farage
7.00 Iain Dale
10.00 Tom Swarbrick Pacy show.
1.00am Darren Adam
4.00 Steve Allen Topical musings.

Asian Network

DAB bbc.co.uk/asiannetwork
F'view 709 **F'sat** 709 **Sky** 0119 **Virgin** 912

6.00am Panjabi Hit Squad
10.00 Waqas Saeed
1.00pm Haroon Rashid
4.00 Yasser British-Asian music.
7.00 Bobby Friction
10.00 Asian Network's Big Comedy Night – Highlights
12.00 Asian Network's Love Friday Mix
12.30am Asian Network Playlists
1.00 Radio 1's Soundsystem
3.00 1Xtra Mixes 4.00 Seani B

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FRIDAY Radio

Today's Choices



Puss-in-Boots
10.00am/3.00pm ***R4 Extra***

Does pantomime ever date? Surely it's always the same format – the young pauper hero in his feathered hat, slapping his shapely thigh and wooing the out-of-his-league princess, alongside dubious jokes about excess wind, and lashes of innuendo? Judging by this 1979 example, starring Arthur Askey in typical pantomime dame form, alongside Alfred Marks as the evil baron, not much has changed in pantoland over the past 40 years. And the audience clearly enjoyed themselves, hissing, booing and blowing copious raspberries. So aside from a few topical references (such as Arthur Scargill – cue comical boos), the storyline and jokes endure. Listen out for Askey's reference to the *Radio Times* Christmas issue – but apologies, you won't find the words to "Here's a little worm" printed on page 42 of this year's *RT* ("Oh yes it is! … Oh no it isn't!").

CAROLINE MEYER

Maureen and Friends
11.30am ***Radio 4***

At the beginning of her one-woman show, recorded in front of a live audience, Maureen Lipman reveals that she won her 1988 role as the overbearing grandmother in the BT commercial after performing one of her monologues for the audition. She dishes up a mixed bag of her comic characters here but her Waitress from Hull is sublime ("I don't like abroad because me ankles come up in departures."). FIONA HUGHES

BEST OF THE REST…

What might 2020 bring? Lyse Doucet and her panel have answers in **Correspondents' Look-Ahead** *(8.00pm Radio 4)*. **No Triumph, No Tragedy** *(11.00am Radio 4)* features the amazing story of Haben Girma.

CAROL LAWSON

BBC Radio 1

97.6–99.8 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio1
F'view* 700 **F'sat** 700 **Sky** 0101 **Virgin** 901

7.00am Radio 1 Anthems
Celebrating 20 years of dance anthems, starting with 2004, at **10.00** the tunes of 2005, and at **1.00pm** 2006.
4.00 The Official Chart Show
The week's bestselling tracks.
6.00 Radio 1's Party Anthems
7.00 Radio 1 Dance
1.00am Radio 1's Essential Mix
3.00 Radio 1's Drum 'n' Bass Mix
3.30 Annie Mac in the Mix
4.00 Radio 1's Wind Down

BBC Radio 2

88–90.2 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio2
F'view* 702 **F'sat** 702 **Sky** 0102 **Virgin** 902

5.00am Grace Dent
6.30 Nicki Chapman
9.30 Gary Davies
Including after **11.30 Tracks of My Years**, with the final two choices of singer Jane McDonald.
12.00 Jeremy Vine – Review of the Year ***2/2.*** 2019 highlights.
2.00pm Matt Lucas's TV Themes Three hours of classic music from TV shows.
5.00 Joe Lycett
7.00 Tony Blackburn's Golden Hour
An eclectic playlist of pop and soul, tonight featuring Wanda Jackson, Jerry Lee Lewis and many others.
8.00 Friday Night Is Music Night
Richard Balcombe conducts the BBC Concert Orchestra and Capital Voices in a celebration of songwriter, composer and producer Tony Hatch. Hatch's CV includes Benny Hill, the themes to *Crossroads* and *Neighbours* and the 1968 hit *Joanna* by Scott Walker. But he remains best known for writing or co-writing and producing nearly all of Petula Clark's pop gems between 1964 and 1968, including *Downtown*, *I Know a Place*, *I Couldn't Live without Your Love*, *Who Am I*, *Colour My World* and *Don't Sleep in the Subway*. Singers Claire Sweeney, Jenna Russell, Michael Dore and Oliver Tompsett perform. Recorded at Alexandra Palace in London and first aired in May ahead of Hatch's 80th birthday. (R)
10.00 Sounds of the 80s
12.00 Anneka Rice
2.00am Radio 2 in Concert
A 2014 performance by Take That. (R)
3.00 Around the Piano with Tom Odell ***2/2.*** A two-part extended version of episode two of Tom Odell's series, with guest Billy Joel. Part one is broadcast tomorrow 9pm. Revised repeat
4.00 Huey Morgan A Latin special.

BBC 6 Music

DAB bbc.co.uk/6music
Freeview 707 **Freesat** 707 **Sky** 0120 **Virgin** 909

7.30am Amy Lamé
10.30 Mary Anne Hobbs
1.00pm Martin Freeman: Decades
2/6. A 1970s playlist with Nick Lowe, the Specials, Blondie and more.
4.00 Huw Stephens
7.00 Iggy Pop A Christmas "calm down" playlist with Roy Ayers, Headie One, Starcrawler and Danny Brown.
9.00 Tom Ravenscroft
12.00 Nemone's Electric Ladyland Beats, breaks and more.
2.00am Classic Concert
3.00 Live Hour Mott the Hoople in 1971 at the BBC's Paris Theatre in London.
4.00 Wise Women
Actress Zawe Ashton in 2018.
5.00 Chris Hawkins

BBC Radio 3

90.2–92.4 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio3
Freeview* 703 **Freesat** 703 **Sky** 0103 **Virgin** 903
News and **weather** as Monday

6.30am Breakfast With Petroc Trelawny.
9.00 Essential Classics With Ian Skelly. Featuring at **10.50** guest Gareth Malone, and at **11.10 Essential Five,** with music from ballets.
12.00 Composer of the Week: Corelli
5/5. **Corelli and His Followers.** Donald Macleod explores the posthumous craze for Corelli's music.
Sonata No 2 in D minor, Op 2 No 2 London Baroque
Concerto grosso in F, Op 6 No 2
Brandenburg Consort, director Roy Goodman
arr Geminiani *Concerto grosso No 7 in D minor*
Academy of Ancient Music, director Andrew Manze
Corelli *Violin Sonata in D minor, Op 5 No 12 (Follia)*
Andrew Manze (violin), Richard Egarr (harpsichord)
Concerto grosso in F, Op 6 No 9
English Concert, director Trevor Pinnock
1.00pm Radio 3 Lunchtime Concert
Kate Molleson presents the conclusion of this week's Grieg celebration from the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland.
Ann-Helen Moen (soprano), Christian Ihle Hadland (piano)
Grieg *The Mountain Maid, Op 67*
Sibelius *The Girl Returned from Meeting Her Lover, Op 37 No 5; Was It a Dream?, Op 37 No 4; Black Roses, Op 36 No 1*
Grieg *Two Improvisations on Norwegian Folk Songs, Op 29; Six German Songs, Op 48*
2.00 Afternoon Concert
Hannah French presents the Czech Philharmonic in an Austro-German coupling of Schubert and Strauss from the Rudolfinum in Prague, followed by an all-Mozart concert, including his "Prague" Symphony, given in the German spa town of Bad Kissingen.
Schubert *Symphony No 3 in D*
Strauss *Sinfonia domestica*
Czech Philharmonic Orchestra, conductor Franz Welser-Möst
3.05 Mozart *Idomeneo – ballet music; Piano Concerto No 20 in D minor, K466; Symphony No 38 in D, K504 (Prague)*
Leif Ove Andsnes (piano), conductor Tomas Netopil
4.30 The Listening Service
Repeated from Sunday 22 December 5pm
5.00 New Generation Artists
Wagner *Romanza (Albumblatt)*
Aleksey Semenenko (violin), Lilit Grigoryan (piano)
Swann *The Whale*
Schubert *Die Forelle*
Porter *Tale of the Oyster*
James Newby (baritone), Simon Lepper (piano)
Franck *Violin Sonata in A*
Aleksey Semenenko, Sam Haywood (piano)
C Schumann *Ich stand in dunkeln Träumen, Op 13 No 1; Der Mond kommt still gegangen, Op 13 No 4*
Alessandro Fisher (tenor), Ashok Gupta (piano)
Mozart *Piano Sonata No 8 in A minor, K310*
Elisabeth Brauss

Scala Radio

DAB scalaradio.co.uk Sky 0216

6.00am In the Park Calming sounds.
7.00 Charles Nove Vibrant and soothing music.
10.00 Simon Mayo Listeners' requests.
1.00pm Sam Hughes Popular classical works.
4.00 Penny Smith A varied musical selection with a long piece featured at **6.30** in **Scala Immersion**.
7.00 Friday Night Scala
An extended show with Darren Redick presenting an upbeat selection of classical favourites.
10.00 Hannah Cox
1.00am Night Music Nonstop music.

Absolute Radio

DAB absoluteradio.co.uk
F'view 727 **F'sat** 724 **Sky** 0107 **Virgin** 915

6.00am Jay Lawrence 10.00 Claire Sturgess 1.00pm Ross Buchanan 4.00 Danielle Perry Old and new rock and pop, from the Monkees to Gorillaz, from Led Zeppelin to the Libertines **7.00 Absolute 80s** Sarah Champion with music from the decade of Adam and the Ants, New Order, the Smiths, Madonna, Meat Loaf, Echo and the Bunnymen, Frankie Goes to Hollywood, the Clash, Kim Wilde and many others
10.00 Jay Lawrence 4.00am Ross Buchanan

6.15 Words and Music
Anne-Marie Duff and Greg Wise read Sun-themed literature. With extracts from Antoine de Saint-Exupéry, Mark Twain and Ian McEwan, and music by Haydn, Lili Boulanger, Ravel and Schoenberg. (R)
7.30 BBC Proms 2019
A Prom recorded in the summer at the Royal Albert Hall, London. With Martin Handley.
Elena Stikhina (soprano), Czech Philharmonic, conductor Semyon Bychkov
Smetana *Overture: The Bartered Bride; Three Dances*
Tchaikovsky *Letter Scene (Eugene Onegin)*
8.40 Interval Sophie Coulombeau, Ruth Ware and Shaun Usher discuss the function of letters in literature and life.
9.00 Shostakovich *Symphony No 8* (R)
9.45 The Essay: Open Endings
5/5. **Jane Eyre.** Philippa Gregory imagines what happened after Charlotte Brontë's story ended.
10.00 BBC Proms 2019
Elizabeth Alker presents the Prom featuring Radiohead musician and film composer Jonny Greenwood, recorded in September at the Royal Albert Hall, London.
Daniel Pioro (violin), Jonny Greenwood (bass guitar/tanpura), Katherine Tinker (piano), BBC Proms Youth Ensemble, BBC NOW, conductor Hugh Brunt
Biber *Passacaglia in G minor (Mystery (Rosary) Sonatas)*
Krzysztof Penderecki *Sinfonietta (5th mvt)*
Jonny Greenwood *Three Miniatures from Water (excerpt); 88 (No 1)*
Steve Reich *Pulse* **Greenwood** *Horror vacui (BBC commission: first performance)* (R)
11.45 Late Junction
Jennifer Lucy Allan revisits defining moments in adventurous music over the past decade – from the Chicago footwork of DJ Rashad and RP Boo to Newcastle's Richard Dawson via pioneering music from West Africa.
1.00am Through the Night With Catriona Young.
L Mozart *Symphony in G (Neue Lambacher); Missa solemnis in C* Katja Stuber (soprano), Dorothée Rabsch (mezzo), Robert Buckland (tenor), Joachim Hochbauer (bass), Regensburger Domspatzen, Hofkapelle München, conductor Rüdiger Lotter **2.11 Strauss** *Don Juan* **2.29 Gyorgy Kurtag** *Elo-Jatekok (excerpts)* **2.40 Piazzolla** *Milonga del Angel (arr string quartet)* **2.47 Telemann** *Flute Concerto in D, TWV51:D2* **3.01 Krzysztof Penderecki** *Symphony No 8 (Songs of Transience)* **3.50 Arvo Pärt** *Spiegel im Spiegel* **3.57 Bach** *Brandenburg Concerto No 4 in G, BWV1049* **4.13 Grothe** *Ganz leise kommt die Nacht* **4.16 Hajos** *Give Me the Man (Morocco)* **4.20 Moritz** *Pavan* **4.25 Mozart** *Flute Quartet in A, K298* **4.37 Hanne Orvad** *Kornell* **4.47 Boccherini** *Musica notturna delle strade di Madrid* **5.01 Judith Weir** *String Quartet* **5.13 Schubert** *Impromptu in A flat, D899 No 4* **5.21 Kirnberger** *An den Flüssen Babylons* **5.33 Turina** *Circulo, Op 91* **5.44 Rautavaara** *Regular Sets of Elements in a Semi-Regular Situation, Op 60* **5.57 Ibert** *Trois Pièces brèves* **6.04 Dowland, arr Kain** *Fortune my Foe (for guitar quartet)* **6.07 D Scarlatti, arr Kain** *Sonata in F, Kk518 (for guitar quartet)* **6.11 Ravel** *Piano Concerto in G* **6.34 Tallis** *Spem in alium* **6.42 Vaughan Williams** *Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis*

Classic FM

99.9–101.9 FM DAB classicfm.com
Freeview 731 **Freesat** 721 **Sky** 0106 **Virgin** 922

6.00am More Music Breakfast
Aled Jones presents music and features.
9.00 Bill Turnbull With popular favourites.
1.00pm Catherine Bott
Featuring four hours of classical favourites, including the **Hall of Fame 3 at 3**, showcasing three works from the current Classic Hall of Fame chart.
5.00 Nicholas Owen Festive favourites.
8.00 The Story of Decca
2/5. Darren Henley continues a celebration of 90 years of Decca Records with a look at the label's breadth of artists including blockbuster trio the Three Tenors, contemporary minimalist Ludovico Einaudi, the enigmatic and adventurous mezzo Cecilia Bartoli and tenor Andrea Bocelli, who has sold more than 90 million albums. Continues tomorrow 8pm.
10.00 Smooth Classics
Presented by Karthi Gnanasegaram.
1.00am Katie Breathwick Music through the night.
4.00 Sam Pittis
With Classic FM favourites, from Baroque, classical and Romantic masterworks to highlights of film scores.

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92.4–94.6 FM 198 LW DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4
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News, weather and **shipping forecasts** as Monday 23 December; no weather at 5.57am

5.30am News Briefing
5.43 Prayer for the Day
With Bishop Sarah Mullally, the Bishop of London.
5.45 Farming Today
5.58 Tweet of the Day
The Twelve Tweets of Christmas
Presented by Alison Steadman. (R)
6.00 Today
Justin Webb and Nick Robinson with an edition guest-edited by the president of the Supreme Court, Brenda Hale.
6.25, 7.25, 8.25 Sports News
7.48 Thought for the Day
9.00 Desert Island Discs
Repeated from Sunday 22 December 11.15am
9.45 *FM* **Book of the Week: Last Christmas**
5/5. Ten people reflect on what Christmas means to them, curated by Greg Wise and Emma Thompson. To conclude: the BBC's chief international correspondent, Lyse Doucet, on how the Christmas message of hope, peace and community is universal. Refugee Tindyebwa Agaba follows, with his account of childhood Christmases in Rwanda, before the militia arrived.
For details see Monday 23 December Repeated 12.30am
9.45 *LW* **Daily Service**
Led by Rachel Mann. Luke 1, vv68–72. Love Came Down at Christmas, performed by David and Yvonne Lyon; Embrace (Steph MacLeod); O Little Town of Bethlehem (Allan McKinley).
10.00 Woman's Hour With Jane Garvey.
10.45 Kilvert's Diary ***5/5***
The *15-Minute Drama*.
For details see drama repeat 7.45pm
Editor of *Woman's Hour* Eleanor Garland
11.00 No Triumph No Tragedy
1/3. Peter White meets Haben Girma, the first deaf-blind graduate from Harvard Law School who is now tackling discrimination on a worldwide scale. Producer Susan Mitchell
11.30 Maureen and Friends
Maureen Lipman performs comic monologues, featuring stories of pesky rodents and Jane Austen, at the BBC Radio Theatre.
Producer David Hunter
12.04pm The Secret Commonwealth
5/10. By Philip Pullman. Arriving in the gyptians' township in the Fens, Lyra asks an old friend for advice. Whether they can help her find what she has lost remains to be seen. Read by Simon Russell Beale.
For details see Monday 23 December Repeated 10.45pm
12.18 You and Yours
Consumer and public interest reports.
1.00 The World at One
With Jonny Dymond.
1.45 In Their Element
5/5. **Strontium.** Andrea Sella, Professor of Chemistry at University College London, celebrates five elements that enhance our lives. In this final programme, he admires how strontium produces deep-red fireworks and, more important, has some medical uses.
For details see Monday 23 December
2.00 The Archers Rptd from yesterday 7pm
2.15 Drama: Mr Betjeman Regrets
2/2. By Jonathan Smith. In 1984, during his last days in Cornwall, Sir John Betjeman is a national treasure. He's become an immensely popular TV and radio performer, selling more than two million copies of his *Collected Poems* in his lifetime. But he continues to worry about his chequered career and complex personal life.
For cast and details see yesterday (R)
3.00 Gardeners' Question Time
Kathy Clugston presents from the Black Country Living Museum in Dudley, with a panel of Matthew Pottage, Pippa Greenwood and Matthew Wilson.
Producer Hannah Newton Rptd Sunday 29 Dec 2pm
3.45 Short Works
Diana Evans's *Singular*, a story about looking for love later on in life. Rptd tomorrow 12.30am
4.00 Last Word
Matthew Bannister celebrates the lives of famous and less well-known people who have recently died.
Producer Neil George Rptd Sun 29 December 8.30pm
4.30 Feedback
Listeners' views on BBC radio programmes. Presented by Roger Bolton.
Producer Kate Dixon
Repeated Sunday 29 December 8pm
ADDRESS: *Feedback*, PO Box 67234, London SE1P 4AX
phone: 0333 344 4544 email: feedback@bbc.co.uk
4.55 The Listening Project
With Fi Glover. (R)
5.00 PM With Caroline Wyatt.
6.00 Six o'Clock News
6.15 Christmas Compass
4/4. **On the Island.** By Alexander McCall Smith. A detective makes a surprising connection when he retires to his home town. Read by Adam Courting.
Producer Gaynor Macfarlane
6.30 Dead Ringers
3/3. Topical satire and impressions with Jon Culshaw, Jan Ravens, Debra Stephenson, Duncan Wisbey and Lewis Macleod.
Producer Bill Dare Repeated tomorrow 12.30pm
7.00 The Archers
There is a shock in store for Philip.
For cast and details see Friday 3 January
7.15 Front Row
John Wilson talks to Eddie and Brian Holland, whose hits, written alongside Lamont Dozier, arguably provided the foundations of Motown. Producer Sarah Johnson
7.45 Kilvert's Diary
5/5. Kate McAll's adaptation of the journal of a Victorian curate. Kilvert bids farewell to Clyro. On the train out he is mesmerised by a young Irish girl with dark eyes and a beautiful singing voice.
For cast and details see Monday 23 December
Repeated from 10.45am
8.00 Correspondents' Look-Ahead
Lyse Doucet is joined by BBC correspondents Jon Sopel (North America Editor), Katya Adler (Europe Editor), Gabriel Gatehouse (*Newsnight* International Editor), and Faisal Islam (Economics Editor) to discuss 2020 – a year of a US presidential election, growing demands for action on climate change, continued fears over the global economy, and the Tokyo Olympic Games. Rptd tomorrow 1.10pm
8.50 A Point of View
Rebecca Stott with a talk on a topical issue.
Rptd Sunday 29 Dec 8.48am
9.00 Intrigue: The Ratline
1–5/10. Omnibus. Another chance to hear Philippe Sands's acclaimed series in which he investigates the mysterious disappearance of senior Nazi politician Otto Waechter.
Producer Gemma Newby (R)
10.00 The World Tonight
With Chris Morris.
10.45 The Secret Commonwealth
Repeated from 12.04pm
11.00 Great Lives
Repeated from Christmas Eve 4.30pm
11.25 James Veitch's Contractual Obligation
1/3. **The Dark Web.** Comedian James Veitch struggles to create a new challenge-based format for Radio 4. He starts with an examination of the dark web but soon clashes with his BBC producer. An online shopping error results in the delivery of 22 packets of button mushrooms.
Producer Laurence Grissell (R)
11.55 The Listening Project (R)
12.00 News
12.15am Living Memory
2/5. **Dear Me! What Next?** Today's programme hears from Londoners born around the end of the First World War, including Beattie Orwell who reached political consciousness fighting Oswald Mosley's fascists in Cable Street, and classicist Joyce Reynolds who still researches in Cambridge University library three times a week. They consider the "gloomy" state of the world around them and the kind of attitude people need to remain upbeat. For details see yesterday (R)
12.30–12.45am Book of the Week: Last Christmas
5/5. Repeated from 9.45am
1.00 as BBC World Service

BBC Radio 4 Extra

DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4extra
Freeview 708 **Freesat** 708 **Sky** 0131 **Virgin** 910
6.00am Brother Cadfael – Monk's Hood (5/5)
6.30 Pantomime as 8.30pm
7.00 1834 2003 comedy with Michael Begley (4/6)
7.30 The Shuttleworths By Graham Fellows
8.00 The Burkiss Way Sketches from 1979
8.30 Something to Shout About Satirical comedy by Myles Rudge and Ronnie Wolfe, set in an ad agency. With Michael Medwin, Eleanor Summerfield, Fenella Fielding and Joan Sims. From 1961
9.00 The Food Quiz Gastronomical contest
9.30 The Phenomenon Squad as 4.30pm
10.00 CHOICE: Puss-in-Boots as 3pm
11.00 Podcast Radio Hour as 9pm
12.00 The Burkiss Way Sketches from 1979
12.30pm Something to Shout About as 7.30pm
1.00 Brother Cadfael – Monk's Hood (5/5)
1.30 Pantomime as 8.30pm
2.00 The Wolf Border By Sarah Hall (10/10)
2.15 The Snowman A seasonal celebration of the snowman, examining the myths and history
2.30 Northanger Abbey By Jane Austen (5/10)
2.45 Maggie Smith – a Biography (5/5)
3.00 CHOICE: Puss-in-Boots Arthur Askey, Anita Harris, Kenneth Connor and Alfred Marks star in the traditional panto about a very unusual cat. From 1979
Festive highlights: pages 248–249
4.00 The Food Quiz Gastronomical quiz
4.30 The Phenomenon Squad Roy Kinnear and Simon Cadell (1950–96) star in Michael Snelgrove's comedy about a squad within the police force (5/5)
5.00 1834 2003 comedy with Michael Begley (4/6)
5.30 The Shuttleworths By Graham Fellows
6.00 Doctor Who – Serpent Crest
Tom Baker and Susan Jameson star in Paul Magrs's sci-fi adventure *Aladdin Time* (1/2)
6.40 Dracula's Guest Bertie Carvel reads Justine Willett's adaptation of Bram Stoker's posthumously published high-gothic tale set in the Austrian Alps and featuring the enigmatic Count himself. First broadcast in 2012 on Radio 3
7.00 The Burkiss Way Sketches from 1979
7.30 Something to Shout About 1961 comedy
8.00 Brother Cadfael – Monk's Hood (5/5)
8.30 Pantomime A 1981 programme celebrating panto, presented by Michael Billington, who this month steps down as chief theatre critic of *The Guardian*. He's joined by scripwriter John Morley and Ken Dodd
9.00 Podcast Radio Hour With Amanda Litherland
10.00–12.00 Comedy Club: The Shuttleworths, at **10.30 In and Out of the Kitchen** (2/6), at **11.00 Party** (1/4), and at **11.30 The Mel and Sue Thing** (4/6)
12.00 as 6pm **12.40am** as 6.40pm **1.00** as 8pm **1.30** as 8.30pm **2.00** as 2pm **2.15** as 2.15pm **2.30** as 2.30pm **2.45** as 2.45pm **3.00** as 3pm **4.00** as 4pm **4.30** as 4.30pm **5.00** as 5pm **5.30** as 5.30pm

BBC World Service

DAB bbc.co.uk/worldserviceradio
Freeview* 710 **Freesat** 711 **Sky** 0115 **Virgin** 906
Programmes may differ online, and on Freesat, Sky, and Virgin
5.00am News **5.05** The Newsroom **5.30** Science in Action **6.00** Newsday **8.30** Business Daily **8.50** Witness History **9.05** BBC Correspondents' Look Ahead **10.00** World Update **11.00** The Newsroom **11.30** World Football **12.00** News **12.05pm** The Fifth Floor **12.50** Witness History **1.00** The Newsroom **1.30** Heart and Soul: Ministry of Sport: the world's main faiths **2.00** Newshour: the stories behind the latest headlines **3.00** News **3.05** Tech Tent **3.30** World Business Report: informed analysis **4.00** BBC OS **6.00** News **6.05** The Fifth Floor: global news **6.50** Witness History **7.00** News **7.05** The Newsroom **7.30** Sport Today **8.00** News **8.05** Hardtalk: interviews with newsmakers and personalities from across the globe **8.30** Crowd Science **9.00** Newshour **10.00** News **10.05** The Newsroom **10.20** Sports News **10.30** World Business Report: analysis **11.00** News **11.05** Tech Tent **11.30** World Football **12.00** News **12.05am CHOICE:** BBC Correspondents' Look Ahead **1.00** News **1.05** Business Matters **2.00** News **2.05** The Newsroom **2.30** Stumped **3.00** News **3.05** The Fifth Floor **3.50** Witness History **4.00** News **4.05 CHOICE:** BBC Correspondents' Look Ahead

BBC Radio 5 Live

693, 909 MW DAB bbc.co.uk/fivelive
F'view 705 **F'sat** 705 **Sky** 0105 **Virgin** 905
Sports Extra F'view 706 **F'sat** 706
Sky 0144 **Virgin** 908
News and **sport** as Mon 23 Dec
5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
5.00–7.30am Cricket
Australia v New Zealand.
5.00am Wake Up to Money
6.00 5 Live Breakfast
Presented by Colin Murray and Nomia Iqbal. At **8.30 Robbie Savage's Premier League Breakfast**, and at **9.00 Your Call**.
5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
8.00am–12.30pm Cricket
Melbourne Stars v Adelaide Strikers.
10.00 Chiles on Friday
Adrian Chiles with news, sport and features.
1.00pm Elis James and John Robins Rptd from Christmas Day 9am
3.00 Kermode and Mayo's Film Review Rptd from Christmas Day 8pm
5.00 5 Live Drive
7.00 5 Live Sport
Sports news and features including **The Friday Football Social**. Emma Saunders is joined by Michael Kightly and Stephen Kelly for a look ahead to the weekend action. With updates from Wolverhampton Wanderers v Manchester City (**7.45** kick-off).
5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
7.40–9.45pm Rugby Union
Bristol Bears v Wasps (kick-off **7.45**).
10.00 Adrian Goldberg
5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
11.00–5.00am Cricket
Australia v New Zealand, the third day of the Second Test. Continues until 7.30am.
1.00am Up All Night
Radio 5 Live: Contact individual programmes via the website at bbc.co.uk/5live.
TELEPHONE: 0808 590 9693
TEXT: 85058 (standard rate)

Talksport

1053, 1089 MW DAB talksport.co.uk
F'view 723 **F'sat** 731 **Sky** 0108 **Virgin** 927
6.00am The Sports Breakfast
With Alan Brazil.
10.00 Mid-Morning
1.00pm Max Rushden
4.00 Drive
7.00 GameDay Live Wolves v Manchester City (**7.45** kick-off).
10.00 Sports Bar
1.00am Extra Time With Ben Fletcher.

LBC

97.3 FM (London area) DAB lbc.co.uk
F'view 732 **F'sat** 734 **Sky** 0124 **Virgin** 919
7.00am Nick Ferrari
10.00 James O'Brien
1.00pm Shelagh Fogarty
4.00 Eddie Mair
6.00 Andrew Pierce
10.00 Nick Abbot
1.00am Matt Stadlen

Asian Network

DAB bbc.co.uk/asiannetwork
F'view 709 **F'sat** 709 **Sky** 0119 **Virgin** 912
6.00am Jasmine Takhar
10.00 Asian Network Reports
A review of the past year. Including news from the UK and South Asia, plus sport and showbiz updates.
1.00pm Haroon Rashid
4.00 The Official Asian Music Chart With Yasser Ranjha.
6.00 Yasser New British-Asian music.
7.00 Panjabi Hit Squad
Dee and Rav with new hip-hop, plus Bollywood and bhangra anthems.
10.00 Kan D Man and DJ Limelight
1.00am Asian Network Residency A DJ set.
3.00 Kan D Man and DJ Limelight

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SATURDAY Radio

Today's Choices



Drama: Puckoon
2.30pm ***Radio 4***

Spike Milligan's most famous book, about the fictional village of Puckoon, incompetently divided in 1924 by the partition of Ireland, could only have been written by the comic genius, but the story is much more angrily satirical than his radio and TV work. This new adaptation boasts a splendid cast, headed by Ed Byrne as Dan Milligan, "son of a famous paternity order", and Barry Cryer as "the author", with whom Dan often argues. Cryer, once Milligan's warm-up man, tells me he returned to this "amazing" novel with great pleasure.

DAVID McGILLIVRAY

The Arts Hour
8.05pm ***BBC World Service***

If you find yourself in need of a laugh in the post-Christmas lull (and who doesn't?), tune in to this *Arts Hour* special showcasing comedians from around the world. The able host is Malawian stand-up Daliso Chaponda, who recently had a series on Radio 4 and who has appropriated the "Citizen of Nowhere" tag that Theresa May coined to mock those calling themselves "Citizens of the World". That will give you a flavour... The international line-up also includes Sofie Hagen, Danish stand-up and author of *Happy Fat*, and New Yorker and rising comedy star Janine Harouni. **FIONA HUGHES**

BEST OF THE REST...

Britten's *Death in Venice* is the **Opera on 3** *(6.30pm Radio 3)* while in **Archive on 4** *(8.00pm Radio 4)* Deborah Levy explores the thinker Susan Sontag. There's a revisiting of Jonathan Miller, who died in November, in **Meeting Myself Coming Back** *(10.00pm Radio 4)*, and **Saturday Review** *(7.15pm Radio 4)* wraps up the arts year.

NICK HAYES

BBC Radio 1

97.6–99.8 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio1
F'view* 700 **F'sat** 700 **Sky** 0101 **Virgin** 901

7.00am Radio 1 Anthems From 2007, at **10.00** 2008, and at **1.00pm** 2009.
4.00pm Radio 1's Dance Anthems
6.00 Radio 1's Future Dance Anthems
7.00 1Xtra's Takeover
9.00 1Xtra's Rap Show
11.00 Diplo and Friends
1.00am Kan D Man and DJ Limelight
3.00 Danny Howard's Club Mix
4.00 Radio 1's Chillout Anthems
5.00 Weekend Early Breakfast

BBC Radio 2

88–90.2 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio2
F'view* 702 **F'sat** 702 **Sky** 0102 **Virgin** 902

6.00am Sounds of the 60s Tony Blackburn with hits by Neil Sedaka, the Mamas and the Papas, the Dave Brubeck Quartet and more.
8.00 Helen Skelton Sitting in for Dermot O'Leary.
10.00 Graham Norton Graham is joined by Maria McErlane for a 2019 review including highlights of interviews with Tom Baker, Bjorn Ulvaeus, Pam Ayres, Anne Tennant, Chita Rivera, David Suchet and more.
1.00pm Pick of the Pops Paul Gambaccini with the Top 20s from this week in 1975 and 1984. Repeated New Year's Day 3am
3.00 Paddy O'Connell Sitting in for Rylan Clark-Neal.
6.00 Liza Tarbuck An inspired playlist. Plus texts.
8.00 The Radio 2 Rock Show Johnnie Walker with highlights of 2019 interviews with Roger Daltrey, Mick Fleetwood, Brian May and others invited to praise a fellow musician.
9.00 Around the Piano with Tom Odell ***1/2.*** A two-part special that expands on part two of English folk-pop star Tom Odell's four-part series on the role of the piano in popular music. Billy Joel discusses the process of writing songs across his career. Revised repeat
10.00 The Craig Charles House Party
12.00 Ana Matronic's Dance Devotion
2.00am Radio 2 Chill ***4/4.*** Singer Skye Edwards, who in the mid-1990s co-founded electronic act Morcheeba, explores chill music.
3.00 Radio 2 in Concert – Robbie Williams November's gig featuring pop superstar Robbie Williams, from the BBC's Radio Theatre in London. (R)
4.00 Angela Scanlon Personal picks.

BBC 6 Music

DAB bbc.co.uk/6music
Freeview 707 **Freesat** 707 **Sky** 0120 **Virgin** 909

7.00am Mark Radcliffe and Stuart Maconie Three hours of cover versions from Talking Heads, Devo, Nirvana, Patti Smith and more.
10.00 The Huey Show
1.00pm Martin Freeman: RT Decades ***3/6.*** With a pick of favourite 1980s tracks.
Festive highlights: pp248–249
4.00 Gilles Peterson
6.00 The Craig Charles Funk and Soul Show
9.00 The Tom Robinson Show
12.00 The Freak Zone Playlist
1.00am The Joy of 6
2.00 6 Music Recommends: the New Music Playlist
3.00 Live Hour Including Björk in 1993 at the Manchester Academy.
4.00 Wise Women Comedian Diane Morgan picks the music. From 2018.
5.00 Chris Hawkins

BBC Radio 3

90.2–92.4 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio3
Freeview* 703 **Freesat** 703 **Sky** 0103 **Virgin** 903
News and **weather** 7.00am, 8.00, 9.00, 1.00pm

7.00am Breakfast With Elizabeth Alker.
9.00 Record Review With Andrew McGregor.
9.30 Building a Library Laura Tunbridge assesses available recordings of Schumann's *Dichterliebe*.
10.45 Andrew celebrates a new set of Bruckner's nine symphonies all performed by the Berlin Philharmonic, albeit with different conductors.
11.25 Andrew chooses his **Disc of the Week**. bbc.co.uk/recordreview Disc details are posted on the website EMAIL: recordreview@bbc.co.uk
11.45 Music Matters Tom Service ventures into future uncharted musical territories, joined by tech visionary, composer and author Jaron Lanier (*Ten Arguments for Deleting Your Social Media Accounts Right Now*); Luke Ritchie, the Philharmonia Orchestra's head of innovation; and Sophie Goossens, a lawyer working on music copyright and changing digital listening habits. (R)
12.30pm This Classical Life Saxophonist Jess Gillam and a fellow musician swap tracks and share musical discoveries across a range of styles, revealing how music shapes their everyday lives. In this special edition with BBC Ten Pieces she welcomes three young musicians to discuss works by Brahms and Grieg and a recording by British electronic hit-makers Clean Bandit and a track from the musical *Hamilton*.
1.00 Inside Music Musicians offer an insider's take on various works, today with American composer, violinist and singer Caroline Shaw discussing the power of repetition in music and works by Arvo Pärt and Couperin.
3.00 Sound of Cinema Matthew Sweet marks the release of Greta Gerwig's *Little Women* – featuring a score by Alexandre Desplat – with music from other coming-of-age films including previous adaptations of the Louisa May Alcott novel.
4.00 Music Planet Lopa Kothari with a personal pick of highlights from the Womad festival in July, including performances by Salif Keita (Mali), Ta Dhom Project (India), Calypso Rose (Tobago) and San Salvador (France).
5.00 J to Z Kevin Le Gendre presents concert highlights from the Euroradio Jazz Orchestra – featuring top young players from across Europe – and his 2019 picks.
6.30 Opera on 3 A new production of Britten's *Death in Venice*, recorded recently at the Royal Opera House, London. Britten's opera, which premiered in 1973, is based on Thomas Mann's novella about the writer Gustav von Aschenbach, who travels to Venice in search of creative inspiration but gets distracted by a beautiful Polish youth, with whom he becomes obsessed. Mark Padmore sings the role of the troubled writer, and Gerald Finley the seven characters who across the story lead him to his eventual demise. Presented by Kate Molleson, who is joined in discussion by Dr Lucy Walker from the Britten-Pears Foundation.

Britten *Death in Venice*

Gustav von Aschenbach	**Mark Padmore** (tenor)
Traveller/Old gondolier/Hotel manager/Elderly fop/Hotel barber/ Leader of players/Voice of Dionysus	**Gerald Finley** (bass-baritone)
Voice of Apollo	**Tim Mead** (countertenor)
Strawberry seller	**Rebecca Evans** (soprano)
Lace seller	**Masabane Cecilia Rangwanasha** (soprano)
Danish lady	**Elizabeth Weisberg** (soprano)
English lady	**Katy Batho** (soprano)
Russian nanny	**Rosie Aldridge** (mezzo)
German mother	**Hanna Hipp** (mezzo)
Russian spinster	**Amanda Baldwin** (mezzo)
French mother	**Rebecca Lodge Birkebaek** (mezzo)
Hotel porter	**Colin Judson** (tenor)
Boy player	**Andrew Tortise** (tenor)
Glass maker	**Sam Furness** (tenor)
Steward	**Andrew O'Connor** (tenor)
English clerk	**Dominic Sedgwick** (baritone)
German father	**Michael Mofidian** (bass-baritone)
Lido boatman	**Byeon Min Gil** (bass-baritone)
Russian father	**Dominic Barrand** (bass-baritone)

Royal Opera House Chorus and Orchestra, conductor Richard Farnes
RT OFFER Britten *Death in Venice* (2 CDs) – a 2005 release featuring Philip Langridge, Alan Opie, Michael Chance, BBC Singers and the City of London Sinfonia conducted by Richard Hickox – is available for £23.95 incl p&p. Call 0115 982 7500 quoting ref CHAN102802 or visit radiotimes.com/cds
9.50 Between the Ears: Pregnant Pause/ Daughters with Children Not poetry, not conversation, not a story. But all of them at once. Interwoven interviews, music and sound design to re-create the experience of pregnancy and birth.
10.00 New Music Show Sara Mohr-Pietsch introduces a specially curated Open Ear concert of new music featuring London Contemporary Orchestra and soloists. Recorded last April at LSO St Luke's in London.
12.00 Freeness Corey Mwamba presents the cream of new jazz and improvised music with an adventurous spirit.
1.00am Through the Night With Jonathan Swain. **Glazunov** *Fugue in D minor (Les vendredis)* **Liadov** *Sarabande in D minor (Les vendredis)* **Glazunov/ Liadov/Sokolov** *Polka in D minor (Les vendredis)* **Tchaikovsky** *The Seasons (excerpts)* **Stravinsky** *Divertimento* **Bach** *Contrapunctus 8 and 13 (Die Kunst der Fuge)* Maria Wloszczowska, Joseph Puglia and Esther Hoppe (violins), Timothy Ridout and Sally Beamish (violas), Xenia Jankovic and Alice Gott (cellos), Alasdair Beatson (piano) **2.00 Korngold** *Piano Quintet in E, Op 15* **2.31 Debussy** *La Mer* **3.01 Monteverdi** *Gloria in excelsis Deo* **3.13 Rameau** *Suite: Le Temple de la gloire* **3.43 Handel** *Keyboard Suite in G minor, HWV439* **3.59 Weber** *Und ob die Wolke sie verhulle (Der Freischütz)* **4.05 Mendelssohn** *The Hebrides (Fingal's Cave)* **4.16 Bloch** *Nigun (Baal Shem)* **4.23 Mozart** *Divertimento in B flat, K137* **4.36 Chopin, arr Liszt** *Meine Freuden* **4.40 Sor** *Introduction, Theme and Variations on Marlborough s'en va-t-en guerre, Op 28* **4.51 Quantz** *Trio in E flat* **5.01 Britten** *Early One Morning* **5.05 Arriaga** *Overture: Los esclavos felices* **5.12 Strauss** *Variations on Deandl is arb auf mi* **5.19 Bach** *Concerto in C minor for oboe and violin, BWV1060* **Bach, arr Walsh** *Fugue in G minor (arr for four guitars)* **5.40 Albéniz** *Suite española, Op 47* **6.02 Suchon** *The Night of the Witches* **6.22 Saint-Saëns** *Clarinet Sonata in E flat, Op 167* **6.39 Vivaldi** *Nisi dominus (Psalm 127), RV608*

Scala Radio

DAB scalaradio.co.uk Sky 0216

6.00am In the Park Calming sounds.
7.00 Angellica Bell Uplifting music.
10.00 Jamie Crick Sitting in for Simon Mayo.
1.00pm Mark Kermode's Best Movie Music of 2019 The film buff shares his favourite scores of the year. Repeated Monday 30 December 7pm
3.00 Jack Pepper's Culture Bunker Jack's favourite pieces played in 2019. Rptd Thu 2 January 7pm
5.00 The Console with Lucy Holland: the Best Video Games Music of 2019 A review of some of the year's finest scores. Repeated tomorrow 10pm
6.00 Faye Treacy Favourite classical works.
8.00 Saturday Night Scala With Darren Redick.
11.00 William Orbit in the Space (R)
1.00am Night Music Nonstop music.

Absolute Radio

DAB absoluteradio.co.uk
F'view 727 **F'sat** 724 **Sky** 0107 **Virgin** 915

8.00am Best of the Frank Skinner Show 11.00 Sarah Champion 2.00pm Rock 'n' Roll Football 5.00 Andy Bush's Indie Disco 7.00 Classic Rock Party 10.00 Jay Lawrence 4.00am Ross Buchanan

Classic FM

99.9–101.9 FM DAB classicfm.com
Freeview 731 **Freesat** 721 **Sky** 0106 **Virgin** 922

7.00am Alan Titchmarsh Music and features, with Alan's **Gardening Tip** after **8.00**. And at **9.00 Classic FM Hall of Fame Hour**.
10.00 Bill Turnbull With popular favourites.
1.00pm Catherine Bott
5.00 Saturday Night at the Movies Andrew Collins reviews the year's film scores that have captured cinema-goers' imaginations. He begins with highlights of John Williams's score for the much-anticipated *Star Wars Episode IX: the Rise of Skywalker*. Plus music by Hildur Guonadottir (*Joker*) and Alan Silvestri (*Avengers: Endgame*).
8.00 The Story of Decca ***3/5.*** Darren Henley continues a 90th-anniversary celebration of Decca Records with highlights of film scores incluuding Hans Zimmer's genre-defining music for Ridley Scott's *Gladiator* and Dario Marianelli's score for Joe Wright's 2005 remake of *Pride & Prejudice*. Plus showcases of pianist-turned conductor Vladmir Ashkenazy, bass-baritone Bryn Terfel and soprano Renée Fleming.
10.00 Smooth Classics With Lucy Coward.
1.00am Katie Breathwick 4.00 Sam Pittis

BBC Radio 4

92.4–94.6 FM 198 LW DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4
Freeview 704 **Freesat** 704 (FM) 710 (LW)
Sky 0104 (FM) 0143 (LW) **Virgin** 904 (FM) 911 (LW)
News 5.30am, 6.00 and hourly to 2.00pm, 4.00 and hourly to 12 midnight
Weather 6.04am, 6.57, 7.57, 12.57pm, 5.57, 9.59, 12.29am
Shipping Forecasts 5.20am, 12.01pm (*LW*), 5.54, 12.48am

5.30am News Briefing

5.43 Prayer for the Day
With Bishop John Inge, the Bishop of Worcester.

5.45 Four Thought
Repeated from Christmas Day 8.45pm

6.00 News and Papers

6.07 Open Country Rptd from Boxing Day 3pm

6.30 Farming Today This Week

7.00 Today
Justin Webb and Nick Robinson with an edition guest-edited by journalist and biographer of Margaret Thatcher Charles Moore.

7.25, 8.25 Sports News

7.48 Thought for the Day

9.00 Saturday Live
Extraordinary stories and remarkable people, presented by Richard Coles and Aasmah Mir. Their main guest is the author, broadcaster and former children's laureate Michael Rosen.
Producer Louise Corley
Reverend Richard Coles: page 59

10.30 The Kitchen Cabinet
New series. ***1/7.*** Jay Rayner returns with the touring culinary panel show, with Andi Oliver, Tim Anderson, Sue Lawrence and Polly Russell answering questions from an audience in Ludlow, Shropshire.
Producer Hannah Newton Rptd New Year's Eve 3pm

11.00 Feeding the Problem
Repeated from Boxing Day 8pm

11.30 From Our Own Correspondent
Presented by Kate Adie.

12.04pm Money Box
The latest from the world of personal finance, including impartial advice. Repeated tomorrow 9pm

12.30 Dead Ringers
Repeated from yesterday 6.30pm

1.00 News

1.10 Correspondents' Look-Ahead
Repeated from yesterday 8pm

2.00 So Many Books, So Little Time
Author Mark Hodkinson reflects on the collection of 3,500 books he has amassed over the years. He knows he will never be able to read them all, so he asks why he and so many other people collect so many. He talks to fellow writers including Joanne Harris, who says she simply cannot bear to throw any of her books away. He considers the best way of storing books to ensure his collection does not turn to dust, and revisits favourite titles. He also picks out authors he has not yet read but feels he should have done, such as the Brontës, Irvine Welsh and Will Self.
Producer Kellie While (R)

2.30 Drama: Puckoon
RT In 1924, the Boundary Commission is tasked with creating the new official division between Northern Ireland and the Irish Republic. Through incompetence, dereliction of duty and sheer perversity, the border ends up running through the middle of the small town of Puckoon. Ian Billings's adaptation of Spike Milligan's 1963 satire on the division of Ireland, starring Ed Byrne, Pauline McLynn, Kate Harbour, Jane Milligan and Barry Cryer.
Dan Milligan **Ed Byrne** Spike Milligan **Barry Cryer**
Other roles played by **Pauline McLynn**, **Kate Harbour**, **Jane Milligan**, **Wilf Scolding**, **David Shaw-Parker**, **Colm Gleeson** and **Tom Alexander**
Producer David Morley; Director Dirk Maggs
Festive highlights: pages 248–249

3.30 Where Words Fail, Music Speaks
The author Hans Christian Andersen coined the phrase: "Where words fail, music speaks" and nowhere is this more true in than in the case of caring for people with dementia. Scientist and musician Emer Maguire looks at the various ways in which music can be used to build bridges and establish connections between people with dementia and their carers. She looks at the science behind music as a therapeutic tool and how the "memory bump" informs what music will be more likely to trigger memories. The programme shows how technology is making it easier for people with dementia to create personalised playlists of their favourite songs, and how a dose of music can help reduce levels of medication.
Producer Gary Milne (R)

4.00 Weekend Woman's Hour
Jane Garvey presents highlights of the weekday *Woman's Hour* programmes.

5.00 Saturday PM
Round-up of the day's news and sporting headlines, presented by Caroline Wyatt.

5.30 The Inquiry
5/10. Programme that goes behind the headlines to explore the trends, forces and ideas shaping the world. Producer Richard Vadon

6.00 Six o'Clock News

6.15 Loose Ends
Clive Anderson and guests with an eclectic mix of conversation, music and comedy.
Repeated Monday 30 December 11.30am

7.00 Profile
An insight into the personality and motivation of a person who is making the headlines. This week's subject is the writer Michael Morpurgo. Presented by Mark Coles.
Producer Smita Patel Rptd tomorrow 5.45am and 5.40pm

7.15 Saturday Review
Tom Sutcliffe is joined by Tiffany Jenkins and Shahidha Bari to discuss their own as well as listeners' cultural picks of 2019. The discussion will take in areas not usually covered in the programme – opera, podcasts, concerts, and museums. Producer Oliver Jones

8.00 Archive on 4: Sontag's Radical Will
Novelist, poet, and playwright Deborah Levy charts the role of Susan Sontag (1933–2004) – writer, public intellectual, and "empress of American culture" – as a lucid chronicler of major cultural moments, from the sexual revolution of the 1960s to the Aids crisis and the war in the former Yugoslavia. Alongside biographer Benjamin Moser, writer and friend Sigrid Nunez, US essayist Leslie Jamison and UK writer Lisa Appignanesi, Levy considers Sontag's major works – including *Against Interpretation*, *On Photography*, and *Illness as Metaphor* – in the context of our current era.
Producer Meara Sharma

9.00 Drama: Pilgrim
2/4. **The Lost Hotel.** Second series of Sebastian Baczkiewicz's fantasy adventures about a hero cursed with immortality. The king of the Greyfolk asks Pilgrim to return his changeling son to his homeland. But when he finally locates the errant prince, he discovers his target has been using his faerie lineage to find success on the stock market.

Pilgrim	**Paul Hilton**	Mr Winstanley	**Iain Batchelor**
Ray	**Stuart McLoughlin**	Jack	**Sam Dale**
Croft	**Sam Alexander**	Mary	**Christine Kavanagh**
Doris	**Judy Parfitt**	Mr Hazelbury	**Sean Baker**
Penny	**Eliza Caitlin Parkes**	Legend	**Agnes Bateman**

Director Jessica Dromgoole (R)

9.45 Rabbit, Run
7/10. Rabbit is reunited with his wife Janice and swears to turn over a new leaf. Serialised reading of John Updike's 1960 novel, abridged by Eileen Horne and read by Toby Jones.
Producer Clive Brill (R)

10.00 Meeting Myself Coming Back
Another chance to hear the audio memories of the writer, director and comedy performer Jonathan Miller, who died last month. In conversation with John Wilson, and with reference to recordings from the BBC archive, Miller looks back at his younger self and discusses the ways in which he has changed and developed. First broadcast in 2010.
Producer Emma Kingsley (R)

11.00 Quote...Unquote
Repeated from Monday 23 December 3pm

11.30 Four Seasons
Repeated from Sunday 22 December 4.30pm

12.00 News and Weather

12.15am Living Memory
3/5. **I'm Not Too Old At All!** Former soldier Dennis Allen – born in 1914 – recalls the 15 years he spent in the Army, driving a truck and fighting in Afghanistan, Singapore and Burma. These days, his great-granddaughter tells him that as a centenarian he is too old for a scooter, but he, like others of his age, has things he wants to do and places he wants to go. Producer Hannah Dean (R)

12.30–12.45 Short Works
Repeated from yesterday 3.45pm

1.00 as BBC World Service

BBC Radio 4 Extra

DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4extra
Freeview 708 **Freesat** 708 **Sky** 0131 **Virgin** 910

6.00am Calendar Girls as 4pm
7.30 The Voices of Elly Stone Elly Stone is a modest 87-year-old New Yorker whose sublime voice will forever be associated with the songs of Jacques Brel. Twenty years after her retirement from the stage, she offers a rare insight into her life. From 2014
8.00 Archive on 4: Tolkien: the Lost Recordings Oxford academic Dr Stuart Lee revisits unbroadcast clips from a 1968 interview with *Lord of the Rings* author JRR Tolkien (1892–1973). With Joss Ackland
9.00 Writing – the Midlands as 7pm
12.00 A Month of June Andy Merriman and Peter Morfoot's *Spray the Grass Green*, set in Hollywood in 1939 and starring June Whitfield
12.30pm Arrested Development Comedy (1/4)
1.00 Kilvert's Diary Adaptation by Kate McAll of the diary by Victorian clergyman Francis Kilvert (1840–79), capturing everyday life in the border country of England and Wales in the 1870s (1–5/5)
2.10 Inheritance Tracks With JoJo Moyes
2.15 Frankly Speaking A 1960 edition of the BBC's Home Service's pioneering three-way interview series in which superstar actress and singer Gracie Fields (1898–1979) discussed her career
2.45 Shoot from the Hip Lucy Ash discovers how in the digital age, the world still loves a Soviet Union relic – the low-spec Lomo camera
3.00 Archive on 4: Tolkien: the Lost Recordings
4.00 Calendar Girls Carole Boyd guest-stars as her *Archers* character Lynda Snell, here taking charge of an Ambridge production of Tim Firth's comedy drama about friends from a Yorkshire WI group who raise money for charity by posing naked for a charity calendar. Adapted by Sean O'Connor and starring Siân Phillips with other *Archers* cast members including Alison Dowling. From 2015
5.30 The Voices of Elly Stone as 7.30am
6.00 Dan Dare: 21st Century Spaceman Science journalist Richard Hollingham probes whether the reality of space exploration is catching up with the Dan Dare universe (2/2)
6.30 Dan Dare: Reign of the Robots Ed Stoppard stars as Dan Dare in Simon Guerrier's sci-fi adventure in which Dan Dare and his crew face their greatest challenge yet (2/7)
7.00 Writing – the Midlands Crime Writer Mark Billingham goes back to his roots for a literary tour of the Midlands
10.00–12.00 Comedy Club: The Penny Dreadfuls Present, at **11.00 Alexei Sayle's Imaginary Sandwich Bar** (2/6), at **11.30 Dr John Cooper Clarke at the BBC** (1/4), and at **11.45 Political Animal** (1/4)
12.00 as 6pm **12.30am** as 6.30pm **1.00** as 1pm **2.10** as 2.10pm **2.15** as 2.15pm **2.45** as 2.45pm **3.00** as 3pm **4.00** as 4pm **5.30** as 5.30pm

BBC World Service

DAB bbc.co.uk/worldserviceradio
Freeview* 710 **Freesat** 711 **Sky** 0115 **Virgin** 906
Programmes may differ online, and on Freesat, Sky, and Virgin
5.00am News **5.05** The Newsroom **5.30** The Hurricane Tapes **5.50** 50 More Things That Made the Modern Economy **6.00** News **6.05** Weekend **8.30** Global Business **9.00** News **9.05** The World This Week **9.30** The Documentary: Ii: the Greenest Town in Europe **10.00** Sports Hour **11.00** News **11.05** The Newsroom **11.30** The Hurricane Tapes **11.50** Over to You **12.05pm** Music Life: Seun Kuti **1.00** Newshour **2.00** News **2.05** Sportsworld **3.00** News **3.00** Sportsworld **4.00** News **4.00** Sportsworld **5.00** News **5.00** Sportsworld **6.00** The Newsroom **6.30** The Hurricane Tapes **6.50** More or Less **7.00** News **7.05** The History Hour **8.00** News **8.05 CHOICE:** The Arts Hour **Festive highlights: pp248–249 9.00** Newshour **10.00** News **10.05** The Newsroom **10.20** Sports News **10.30** Boston Calling **11.00** News **11.05** From Our Own Correspondent **11.30** Outlook **12.00** News **12.05am** Hardtalk **12.30** Crowd Science **1.00** News **1.05** The World This Week **1.30** Global Business **2.00** News **2.05** The Newsroom **2.30** The Missing Cryptoqueen **2.50** Over to You **3.00** News **3.05** The Documentary: Time Has Chosen Us **4.00** News **4.05** From Our Own Correspondent **4.30** Boston Calling

BBC Radio 5 Live

693, 909 MW DAB bbc.co.uk/fivelive
F'view 705 **F'sat** 705 **Sky** 0105 **Virgin** 905
Sports Extra F'view 706 **F'sat** 706
Sky 0144 **Virgin** 908
News and **sport** bulletin every half-hour
Times vary during live sports coverage

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
5.00–7.30am Cricket
Australia v New Zealand.

5.00am 5 Live Boxing

5.30 Robbie Savage's Premier League Breakfast

6.00 Saturday Breakfast

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
8.00am–12.30pm Cricket
Sydney Sixers v Sydney Thunder.

9.00 Scott Mills and Chris Stark

11.00 Fighting Talk
Panel game with Colin Murray.

12.00 5 Live Sport
Steve Crossman presents sports news, interviews, features and live sports coverage including updates on Brighton v Bournemouth (**12.45pm** kick-off). At **3.00pm** there's live commentary on a Premier League kick-off. Plus updates from the other kick-offs. And at **5.00 Sports Report**.

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
1.55–4.00 Rugby Union
Northampton Saints v Gloucester in the Premiership (kick-off **2.00**).
4.25–6.30 Rugby Union
Harlequins v Leicester Tigers at the Stoop (kick-off **4.30**).

6.00pm 6-0-6 Football phone-in.

7.30 5 Live Sport
Nick Bright with build-up to and commentary on Burnley v Manchester United.

10.00 Adrian Goldberg

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
11.00–5.00am Cricket
Australia v New Zealand.
Continues until 7.30am.

1.00am Up All Night

Talksport

1053, 1089 MW DAB talksport.co.uk
F'view 723 **F'sat** 731 **Sky** 0108 **Virgin** 927

6.00am GameDay Breakfast
9.00 GameDay Warm Up
11.00 GameDay Exclusive
Brighton v AFC Bournemouth (**12.30pm** kick-off).
2.30pm GameDay Live Adrian Durham with the 3pm kick-offs.
5.15 GameDay Exclusive
Laura Woods with commentary on Norwich v Tottenham (**5.30** kick-off).
7.30 GameDay – Your Verdict
9.00 Fight Night
Boxing show with Adam Catterall.
12.00 Extra Time With Ged Mills.

LBC

97.3 FM (London area) DAB lbc.co.uk
F'view 732 **F'sat** 734 **Sky** 0124 **Virgin** 919

5.00am Best of Steve Allen
6.00 In Conversation with Steve Allen
7.00 Andrew Castle
10.00 Matt Frei
12.00 Maajid Nawaz
3.00pm Ian Payne
6.00 Clive Bull
10.00 Nick Abbot
1.00am Matt Stadlen

LBC

97.3 FM (London area) DAB lbc.co.uk
F'view 732 **F'sat** 734 **Sky** 0124 **Virgin** 919

5.00am Desi Dancefloor Mix
5.30 AJD's Bhangra versus Bollywood Mix
6.00 Jasmine Takhar
10.00 Raj and Pablo Film show.
1.00pm Emily Lloyd-Saini
4.00 AJD
7.00 Panjabi Hit Squad
10.00 Nucleya 1.00am Kenny Allstar 3.00 Nucleya (R)

Saturday Radio SECOND WEEK

*Not available on Freeview in Scotland 4pm–1am. **Key** (R) Repeat

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SUNDAY Radio

Today's Choices



Private Passions
12 noon ***Radio 3***

"For every dancer, no matter how amazing your career, there's more to life than ballet. Being adored by your audience, it's only part of the story," said Darcey Bussell (above). In an intimate chat with Michael Berkeley, the former ballerina discusses how she's kept true to this core belief, forging a career and, more importantly, a private life away from the spotlight. Her musical choices reflect this desire for a healthy balance, ranging from the melancholia of requiems to the silky-smooth tones of Dinah Washington. **JANE ANDERSON**

Wild Music
4.30pm ***Radio 4***

A poet, John Burnside, and a composer, Erland Cooper, meet on Orkney and something magical takes place, inspired by the stunning landscapes, Neolithic monuments, heavy rains, gale-force winds and a wealth of local folklore. Inspired by the lives of ancient Orkney-dwellers – who thrived close to the earth, sea and sky – the pair create music and words that transport listeners to a time and place of faeries, seal people and disappearing islands. This is something really special. **JANE ANDERSON**

BEST OF THE REST...

Essential listening for *Archers* fans is **The Voice of Joe Grundy** *(7.15pm Radio 4)*, a celebration of the actor who played him, Edward Kelsey, who died earlier this year. **Open Book** *(4.00pm Radio 4)* is a Graham Greene special, **First Cast** *(7.00pm Radio 2)* celebrates *Cats*, and in **Josie Long's Gambit** *(1.30pm Radio 2)* the comedian looks back on her chess childhood. And is the dinner party dead, asks **The Food Programme** *(12.30pm Radio 4)*.

CAT MIRLEY

SECOND WEEK

BBC Radio 1

97.6–99.8 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio1
F'view* 700 **F'sat** 700 **Sky** 0101 **Virgin** 901

7.00am Radio 1 Anthems
The biggest anthems from the last decade, beginning music from 2010. At **10.00** the tunes of 2011, and at **1.00pm** the top anthems from 2012.
4.00pm Radio 1's Life Hacks
6.00 The Official Chart: First Look on Radio 1
7.00 Radio 1's Chillest Show
9.00 Radio 1's Rock Show
11.00 BBC Introducing on Radio 1
1.00am Radio 1's Residency Haai.
3.00 Radio 1's Wind Down (R)
4.00 Breakfast Show

BBC Radio 2

88–90.2 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio2
F'view* 702 **F'sat** 702 **Sky** 0102 **Virgin** 902

6.00am Good Morning Sunday
The Rev Kate Bottley and Jason Mohammad with uplifting discussion about life and spirituality. Plus music.
9.00 Steve Wright's Sunday Love Songs Personal dedications.
11.00 The Michael Ball Show
1.00pm Elaine Paige on Sunday
A review of the past year on the Broadway and West End stages.
3.00 Sounds of the 70s
Johnnie Walker with pop and rock nostalgia. He's joined by renowned music writer and *Radio Times* columnist David Hepworth.
5.00 Paul O'Grady
Reflective chat and music, today featuring a special international playlist with dedications from afar.
7.00 First Cast
RT With Tom Hooper's new big-screen version of Andrew Lloyd Webber's *Cats* currently in cinemas, Ben Thompson hears from cast members and some of the creative team behind the original production of the blockbuster musical in 1981. Producer Elin Rhys
Festive highlights: pp248–249
9.00 Bruno Tonioli at the Opera
3/4. Tonight's instalment draws links between the plots of grand operas – with music by Rossini, Saint-Saëns and Donizetti – and today's soap operas.
10.00 The Swing and Big Band Show with Clare Teal
11.00 Jools Holland *12/13*
12.00 OJ Borg
3.00am Radio 2 Live in Hyde Park
Highlights from the music event staged in September in London. (R)

BBC 6 Music

DAB bbc.co.uk/6music
Freeview 707 **Freesat** 707 **Sky** 0120 **Virgin** 909

7.00am Mark Radcliffe and Stuart Maconie 2019 highlights.
10.00 Cerys Matthews
1.00pm Martin Freeman: Decades ***4/6.*** The actor shares some of his favourite 1990s records.
4.00 Amy Lamé A 2019 review.
6.00 Now Playing @6Music
Presented by Tom Robinson.
8.00 Stuart Maconie's Freak Zone.
10.00 Don Letts' Culture Clash Radio An eclectic mix of music.
12.00 Guy Garvey A showcase of the Blue Nile's 1989 album *Hats*.
2.00am The BBC Introducing Mixtape
3.00 Live Hour Including eftfield's 2000 gig at Glastonbury.
4.00 Wise Women Courtney Barnett picks the music. From 2018.
5.00 Chris Hawkins

BBC Radio 3

90.2–92.4 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio3
Freeview* 703 **Freesat** 703 **Sky** 0103 **Virgin** 903
News and **weather** 7.00am, 8.00, 9.00, 1.00pm

7.00am Breakfast With Martin Handley.
9.00 Sunday Morning With Sarah Walker.
12.00 Private Passions
RT Darcey Bussell became principal dancer of the Royal Ballet in 1989, aged 20, and more recently became a household name thanks to seven years as a judge on *Strictly Come Dancing*. In conversation with Michael Berkeley, she talks about creating a new post-performance life out of the glare of the public eye and about the toll that dancing has taken on her feet. Her choices include works by Bach, Mozart and Fauré, and Dinah Washington's recording of *Mad about the Boy*.
Festive highlights: pages 248–249
1.00pm Radio 3 Lunchtime Concert
Another chance to hear a recital recorded last February at Wigmore Hall in London. Introduced by Sara Mohr-Pietsch.
François-Frédéric Guy (piano)
Brahms *Piano Pieces, Op 119*
Tristan Murail *Cailloux dans l'eau*
Debussy *Brouillards; La puerta del vino; Les Fées sont d'exquises danseuses; La Terrasse des audiences du clair de lune; Feux d'artifice (Preludes, Book 2)* (R)
2.00 The Early Music Show
Lucie Skeaping looks at Vienna's musical history with works by 13th-century Minnesinger Neidhart von Reuental and composers from Ludwig Senfl and Heinrich Isaac to Fux and Haydn. (R)
3.00 Choral Evensong
An archive recording from Westminster Abbey, London, first broadcast 27 December 2000. Introit: Quem Vidistis Pastores (Poulenc). Responses (Rose). Psalm 97 (Dupuis). First Lesson: Isaiah 6, vv1–8 Canticles: Wood in F. Second Lesson: 1 John 5, vv1–12. Anthem: Hodie Christus Natus Est (Schütz) Hymn: Word Supreme, before Creation (St Audrey) Organ Voluntary: Le Verbe (La Nativité du Seigneur) (Messiaen). Organist and Master of the Choristers James O'Donnell. Sub-organist Andrew Reid. (R)
4.00 Jazz Record Requests
Alyn Shipton with listeners' favourite jazz records of 2019 including music from Led Bib, Julia Hülsmann and Greg Abate and newly discovered archive recordings by Tubby Hayes and Louis Armstrong.
5.00 The Listening Service
Tom Service celebrates the joy of Bach in a programme originally broadcast as part of Radio 3's Spirit of Bach season in December 2017.
Producer Elizabeth Funning (R) Rptd Friday 3 January 4.30pm
5.30 Words and Music
An edition devoted to drink and drinking, anticipating next year's 100th anniversary of the introduction of Prohibition. Featuring readings of Laurie Lee, Dorothy Parker, F Scott Fitzgerald, Shakespeare and Emily Dickinson, and the music of Verdi and Mozart, with recordings by Dean Martin, Loudon Wainwright III and others.

Scala Radio

DAB scalaradio.co.uk Sky 0216

6.00am In the Park Calming sounds.
7.00 Jamie Crick Bright and gentle music.
10.00 Chris Rogers and Anthea Turner
1.00pm Simon Mayo – Best of the Guests
2019 interviews, from Anne Dudley to Lenny Henry.
3.00 Alexis Ffrench – the Best of 2019
A pick of favourite recordings released in the past year.
5.00 The Scala Jukebox With Sam Hughes.
6.00 Faye Treacy Favourite classical works.
8.00 Sunday Night Scala A Hogmanay feel with Bruch's *Scottish Fantasy*, and more. With Darren Redick.
10.00 The Console with Lucy Holland: the Best Video Games Music of 2019 (R)
11.00 William Orbit in the Space (R)
1.00am Night Music Nonstop classical music.

Absolute Radio

DAB absoluteradio.co.uk
F'view 727 **F'sat** 724 **Sky** 0107 **Virgin** 915
8.00am The Best of the Jason Manford Show 11.00 Sarah Champion 2.00pm Rock 'n' Roll Football with Pete Donaldson 6.00 Request Show with Jayne Middlemiss 8.00 Music Club 1.00am Dan Noble

6.45 Between the Ears
The Escape of the Zebra from the Zoo
How animals fared in zoos during wartime, taking as its starting point Carel Weight's 1942 painting of a zebra that escaped from London Zoo in 1940.
7.15 New Generation Thinkers
Director, storyteller and medievalist Daisy Black explores the history of camp villains.
7.30 BBC Proms 2019
Another chance to hear a Prom featuring the Vienna Philharmonic, recorded in September at the Royal Albert Hall, London. Presented by Martin Handley.
Leonidas Kavakos (violin), Vienna Philharmonic, conductor Andrés Orozco-Estrada
Dvorak *The Noonday Witch*
Korngold *Violin Concerto*
8.15 Interval Georgia Mann hears from musicologists Ben Winters and Jessica Duchen in a discussion on Korngold and America.
8.35 Dvorak *Symphony No 9 in E minor (From the New World)* (R)
9.45 BBC Proms 2019
Another chance to hear a concert recorded in September at the Royal Albert Hall, London. Presented by Penny Gore.
Nora Fischer (singer), BBC Symphony Orchestra, conductor Sakari Oramo
Mussorgsky, arr Rimsky-Korsakov
A Night on the Bare Mountain
Louis Andriessen *The Only One*
10.15 Interval Featuring a discussion on witchcraft, witch trials and the image of the witch.
10.35 Judith Weir *Forest*
Sibelius *Symphony No 5 (final version, 1919)* (R)
12.00 Classical Fix
Clemency Burton-Hill creates bespoke classical playlists for music fans who are curious about classical music but don't know quite where to start. Here she introduces Davina McCall to works by Prokofiev, Copland, Debussy and Max Richter. (R)
12.30am Through the Night With Jonathan Swain.
Dvorak *Cello Concerto in B minor, Op 104*
Bach *Sarabande and Gigue (Cello Suite No 1 in G, BWV1007)* **Dvorak** *Symphony No 8 in G Istvaan Vardai (cello),* Hungarian Radio Symphony Orchestra, conductor Ken-Ichiro Kobayashi
2.01 Beethoven *String Trio in G, Op 9, No 1*
2.31 Maliszewski *Symphony No 1 in G minor*
3.06 Strauss *Oboe Concerto in D* **3.34 Bach** *Cantata No 54 Widerstehe doch der Sünde* **3.45 Vivaldi** *Concerto in D minor, RV128* **3.51 Crusell** *Introduction and Swedish Air* **4.02 Benoit** *Panis angelicus*
4.07 Handel *The Harmonious Blacksmith (Suite No 5 in E)* **4.13 Rosenmüller** *Sinfonia a 4* **4.20 Beethoven** *Overture: Leonora No 1* **4.31 Wagner** *Prelude: Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg* **4.41 Schubert** *Nacht und Träume, D827* **4.45 Wegelius** *Rondo quasi fantasia*
4.56 Wagner, arr Zdunik *Träume (Wesendonck-Lieder)*
5.02 Mozart *Symphony No 31 in D, K297 (Paris)*
5.19 Purcell *See, See, Even Night Herself Is Here (The Fairy Queen)* **5.24 Lindblad** *Drommarne*
5.41 Handel *Gentle Morpheus, Son of Night (Alceste)*
5.51 Weber *Andante and Rondo Ungarese in C minor, Op 35* **6.01 Livadic** *Notturno in F minor*
6.09 Brahms *Nachtwache, Op 104 No 1*
6.23 Albright *Dream Rags (1970): Morning Reveries* (R)

Classic FM

99.9–101.9 FM DAB classicfm.com
Freeview 731 **Freesat** 721 **Sky** 0106 **Virgin** 922

7.00am Aled Jones
10.00 Bill Turnbull With popular favourites.
1.00pm Alexander Armstrong Uplifting music.
3.00 Catherine Bott Classical music.
5.00 Cowan's Classics Rob Cowan plays Mozart's overture to *The Marriage of Figaro*, Beethoven's Ninth Symphony – played by the Vienna Symphony Orchestra under chief conductor Philippe Jordan – and Brahms's *Symphony No 1 in C minor* performed by the Bergen Philharmonic Orchestra.
7.00 Festival of Lights: Music for Hanukkah
Music by Jewish composers and works inspired by the theme of Judaism, including Leonard Bernstein's *Chichester Psalms*, Ernest Bloch's *Avodath Hakodesh (Sacred Service)* and a work by Handel.
9.00 The Story of Decca ***4/5.*** Darren Henley shines the light on the label's finest conductors, with special attention to Georg Solti and his landmark recording of Wagner's *Ring* cycle. Plus recordings featuring Decca faithful Riccardo Chailly and early music specialist Neville Marriner.
10.00 Smooth Classics 1.00am Bob Jones

BBC Radio 4

92.4–94.6 FM 198 LW DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4
Freeview 704 **Freesat** 704 (FM) 710 (LW)
Sky 0104 (FM) 0143 (LW) **Virgin** 904 (FM) 911 (LW)
News 5.30am, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 12 noon and hourly to 12 midnight
Weather 6.57am, 7.57, 12.57pm, 5.57, 9.59, 12.15am;
Shipping Forecasts 5.20am, 12.01pm (*LW*), 5.54, 12.48am

5.30am News Briefing

5.43 Bells on Sunday
From St Mary with St Faith and St Francis in Alverstoke, Hampshire.

5.45 Profile Repeated from yesterday 7pm

6.00 News Summary

6.05 Something Understood
Legitimacy. Mark Tully examines the factors that make authority legitimate, from religion and governments to trust between friends. (R)

6.35 My Living World
3/4. Keen naturalists Hannah Stitfall and Dom Davies compare notes on a rather unusual fish when they review a programme about the spined loach from the *Living World* archive. Producer Sarah Blunt

7.00 News; Sunday Papers

7.10 Sunday
The week's religious and ethical news.

7.54 Radio 4 Appeal
Former BBC correspondent Mark Doyle makes an appeal on behalf of Chance for Childhood, which works to improve the lives of vulnerable children in developing nations in Africa.
Repeated 9.25pm and Thursday 2 January 3.27pm
Donations: Freepost BBC Radio 4 Appeal, marked Chance for Childhood on the back of the envelope; Credit cards: Freephone: 0800 404 8144; online via the Radio 4 website

8.00 News; Sunday Papers

8.10 Sunday Worship
Morning service from the Chapel of Girton College, Cambridge. The Rev Dr Malcolm Guite explores those parts of the Christmas story that take place not in the centre of power, in places like Rome or Jerusalem, but out on the edge, by the fields of Bethlehem and in a stable, and how they bring those who have been marginalised and left out back in to the centre and heart of God's own story.
Producer Ben Collingwood

8.48 A Point of View
Repeated from Friday 27 December 8.50pm

8.58 Tweet of the Day
The Twelve Tweets of Christmas. Actress Alison Steadman discusses the pied wagtail and the common crane, which are reminiscent of Ten Lords a Leaping. (R)

9.00 Broadcasting House
Paddy O'Connell and guests with their own take on the week's news.
Paddy O'Connell: page 249

10.00 The Archers Omnibus edition.
See tomorrow 6.15pm

11.15 Desert Island Discs
Lauren Laverne is joined by Kimberley Motley, an American attorney and the first foreign lawyer to practise in Afghanistan.
Producer Cathy Drysdale (R)

12.04pm The Tim Vine Chat Show
Repeated from Christmas Eve 6.30pm

12.30 The Food Programme
Is the Dinner Party Dead? Leyla Kazim asks whether the British dinner party is a dying affair, and turns to food writers Josceline Dimbleby, Alison Roman and Alexandra Dudley for new-year hosting tips.
Producer Clare Salisbury Repeated tomorrow 3.30pm

1.00 The World This Weekend
Presented by Mark Mardell.

1.30 Josie Long's Gambit
As a girl, Josie Long liked little more than playing chess. But as the years went by, chess struggled to compete with the demands of building a career in stand-up comedy and now it has become little more than a fond memory for her. Long sets out to put that right by resuming her place at the board and celebrating the many pleasures that this oldest of games still offers the millions of people who play each day.
Producer Geoff Bird Repeated New Year's Day 9pm

2.00 Gardeners' Question Time
Repeated from Friday 27 December 3pm

2.45 The Listening Project
Presented by Fi Glover.

3.00 Drama: Mr Pye
2/2. "There is no problem on earth that cannot be solved by love!" announces the little evangelist, Harold Pye, as he arrives on the tiny Channel Island of Sark. His good deeds seemingly know no bounds. Now, however, there's a (literal) whiff of disaster in the air as his schemes begin to unravel. In Glyn Maxwell's dramatisation of Mervyn Peake's modern classic there's all to play for as Mr Pye (Adrian Scarborough) fights with the voices of his conscience, the monstrous Miss George (Jane Whittenshaw) plots against him, and Miss Dredger (Deborah Findlay) finds love taking her in unexpected directions.

Mr Pye **Adrian Scarborough**
Miss Dredger **Deborah Findlay**
Thorpe/Major Overshot **Christopher Harper**
Tintagieu **Emily Bowker**
Director Frank Stirling
Miss George/Dr Moraine **Jane Whittenshaw**
Kiki/Mrs Porter **Emma Noakes**
Pawgy **Alex Blake**
Pepe **Thomas Delacourt**

4.00 Open Book
In a special edition, Mariella Frostrup and guests including Louise Doughty and Peter James consider the enduring appeal and legacy of Graham Greene, whose celebrated novels include *Brighton Rock*, *The Heart of the Matter*, *The End of the Affair*, *A Burnt Out Case*, *The Quiet American, Our Man in Havana* and *The Comedians*.
Repeated Thursday 2 January 3.30pm

4.30 Wild Music
RT Poet John Burnside and composer Erland Cooper explore the mysterious neolithic sites of Orkney. Producer Victoria Ferran

5.00 A Bright Yellow Light
Repeated from Christmas Eve 8pm

5.40 Profile Repeated from yesterday 7pm

6.00 Six o'Clock News

6.15 Pick of the Week
Presented by Gerry Northam.

7.00 The Archers
There is trouble at Grey Gables and Pip has got to make her mind up.
For cast see Friday 3 January Repeated tomorrow 2pm

7.15 The Voice of Joe Grundy
A tribute to the much loved actor Edward Kelsey, who played Joe Grundy in *The Archers* for 34 years until his death in April, aged 88. Presented by Felicity Finch, who often starred alongside Kelsey in her role as Ruth Archer.
Producer Felicity Finch See tomorrow 6.15pm

7.45 A Run in the Park
9/10. As the running group members try their best to assist Yana's family, the day of the big run approaches. David Park's story – read by Julia Dearden – focuses on the efforts made by a group of beginner runners as they train to take part in their first 5km park run. Producer Michael Shannon

8.00 Feedback
Repeated from Friday 27 December 6.30pm

8.30 Last Word
Repeated from Friday 27 December 4pm

9.00 Money Box
Repeated from yesterday 12.04pm

9.25 Radio 4 Appeal Repeated from 7.54am

9.30 In Business
Repeated from Boxing Day 8.30pm

10.00 News Review of the Year
The stories that hit the headlines in 2019.

11.00 The Film Programme
Repeated from Boxing Day 4pm

11.30 James Veitch's Contractual Obligation
2/3. **Young Adults Novel.** The comedian attempts to solve his money troubles by setting himself the task of writing a successful young adults novel. But his ambition for a multi-part movie deal clashes with his producer's time concerns. Laurence Grossell is the voice of the producer.
Producers Sam Peach and Viv Jones (R)

12.00 News

12.15–12.45am Rewinder
3/3. **Two World Cups and a Sausage on a Stick.** First broadcast ahead of the 2019 Women's World Cup last summer, Greg James introduces archive recordings of female football players from the 1960s and 1970s. Producer Paula McGinley (R)

1.00 as BBC World Service

BBC Radio 4 Extra

DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4extra

Freeview 708 **Freesat** 708 **Sky** 0131 **Virgin** 910
6.00am Northanger Abbey as 1pm
7.15 The Time Being By Nafisa Muhtadi
7.30 Guilt Trip Comedy drama (3/4)
8.00 Life with the Lyons 1953 comedy
8.30 Harry Worth in Things Could Be Worse
9.00 Last Christmas as 8pm
10.10 The Listening Project With Fi Glover
10.15 Desert Island Discs Revisited
A 2011 edition featuring *Small Island* author Andrea Levy, who died in February, aged 62
11.00 The Moth Radio Hour True USA tales
11.50 David Attenborough's Life Stories
12.00 Life with the Lyons 1953 comedy
12.30pm Harry Worth in Things Could Be Worse 1976 sitcom with Harry Worth (1/13)
1.00 Northanger Abbey Miriam Margolyes narrates Hattie Naylor's dramatisation of Jane Austen's satire on the Gothic novel – omnibus (1–5/10)
2.15 The Time Being By Nafisa Muhtadi
2.30 The Secret Commonwealth Simon Russell Beale reads the recently published second volume of Philip Pullman's trilogy in progress, *The Book of Dust*, following *La Belle Sauvage*, in which the baby Lyra Belacqua began her life-changing journey. Now 20, Lyra and her dæmon Pantalaimon are forced to navigate their relationship in a way they could never have imagined. Abridged by Dorren Estall (1–5/5)
3.45 Travels with Bob With Paddy O'Connell (1/5)
4.00 Daughters of the Vicar Rachel Atkins stars in Jane Beeson's dramatisation of DH Lawrence's 1914 tale. Two impoverished sisters must choose lives governed either by emotion or intellect
5.00 Poetry Extra With Daljit Nagra
5.30 Guilt Trip Comedy drama (3/4)
6.00 The Hex Gregory Evans's play, loosely based on MR James's terrifying *Casting the Runes*
7.00 The Moth Radio Hour True USA tales
7.50 David Attenborough's Life Stories
8.00 Last Christmas Essays by ten writers who reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. Curated by Greg Wise and Emma Thompson, the collection draws on the themes of kindness, acceptance and tolerance as experienced around the globe, from Queensland to a Rwandan village. Writers include Deborah Frances White, Greg Wise, Emma Thompson, Meera Syal, Aimee Mullins and Lyse Doucet (1–5/5)
9.10 The Listening Project With Fi Glover
9.15 Desert Island Discs Revisited as 10.15am
10.00–12.00 Comedy Club: Guilt Trip (3/4), at **10.30 Tom Wrigglesworth's Hang-Ups** (1/6), at **11.00 2000 Years of Radio** (5/6), at **11.15 Poets' Tree** (1/4), and at **11.30 As Told to Craig Brown** (1/6)
12.00 as 6pm **1.00am** as 1pm **2.15** as 2.15pm **2.30** as 2.30pm **3.45** as 3.45pm **4.00** as 4pm **5.00** as 5pm **5.30** as 5.30pm

BBC World Service

DAB bbc.co.uk/worldserviceradio

Freeview* 710 **Freesat** 711 **Sky** 0115 **Virgin** 906
Programmes may differ online, and on Freesat, Sky, and Virgin

5.00am News **5.05** The Newsroom **5.30** The Cultural Frontline **6.00** Weekend **8.30** The Food Chain **9.00** News **9.05** From Our Own Correspondent **9.30** Heart and Soul: Ministry of Sport **10.00** News **10.05** The Compass: Chinese Dreams **10.30** Outlook **11.00** News **11.05** The Newsroom **11.30** The Cultural Frontline **12.05pm** The World This Week **12.30** Science in Action **1.00** Newshour **2.00** News **2.05** The Documentary: Time Has Chosen Us **3.00** News **3.05** The Forum **3.50** 50 More Things That Made the Modern Economy **4.00** News **4.05** Sportsworld **7.00** The Newsroom **7.30** Global Business **8.00** News **8.05** Music Life: Seun Kuti **9.00** Newshour **10.05** The Newsroom **10.20** Sports News **10.30** The Missing Cryptoqueen **10.50** 50 More Things That Made the Modern Economy **11.00** News **11.05** The Cultural Frontline **11.30** Heart and Soul: Ministry of Sport **12.00** News **12.05am** People Fixing the World **12.30** Discovery **1.00** News **1.05** World Business Report **1.30** Digital Planet **2.00** News **2.05** The Newsroom **2.30** Healthcheck **3.00** News **3.05** The Forum **3.50** Sporting Witness **4.00** News **4.05** Hardtalk **4.30** The Conversation

BBC Radio 5 Live

693, 909 MW DAB bbc.co.uk/fivelive

F'view 705 **F'sat** 705 **Sky** 0105 **Virgin** 905
Sports Extra F'view 706 **F'sat** 706
Sky 0144 **Virgin** 908
News and **sport** bulletin every half-hour
Times vary during live sports coverage

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
5.00–7.30am Cricket
Australia v New Zealand.

5.00am 5 Live Science
6.00 Sunday Breakfast

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
8.00am–12.30pm Cricket
Melbourne Renegades v Adelaide Strikers, a Big Bash match.

9.00 Wake Up to Money
10.00 Laura Whitmore's Sunday Session Topical discussion.
11.00 5 Live's Summer of Sport
Presented by Sarah Brett.
12.00 5 Live Sport
Steve Crossman is joined by guests for build-up to today's Premier League football, plus Celtic v Rangers in the Scottish Premiership, with live commentary from Celtic Park at **12.30pm**. Plus updates from the start of Arsenal v Chelsea in the Premier League (kick-off **2.00**), with full-on commentary from **2.15**. At **4.00** there's a sports round-up, plus build-up to Liverpool v Wolverhampton Wanderers, with commentary from Anfield at **4.30**.

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
2.55–5.00 Rugby Union
Exeter Chiefs v Saracens.

6.30pm 6-0-6 Phone-in.
8.00 The Hurricane Tapes
Edited version of the BBC World Service podcast series, with Steve Crossman detailing a triple murder.
Repeated New Year's Eve 8pm
10.00 Stephen Nolan

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
11.00–5.00am Cricket Australia v New Zealand. Continues until 7.30am.

1.00am Up All Night

Talksport

1053, 1089 MW DAB talksport.co.uk

F'view 723 **F'sat** 731 **Sky** 0108 **Virgin** 927
6.00am Weekend Sports Breakfast
9.30 Gloryhunters
11.00 Warm Up With Max Rushen and Barry Glendenning.
1.00pm Sunday Exclusive
Mark Saggers with commentary.
5.00 The Final Word
8.00 On the Sporting Couch
9.00 Trans Euro Express
12.00 Extra Time
5.00am Early Breakfast

LBC

97.3 FM (London area) DAB lbc.co.uk
F'view 732 **F'sat** 734 **Sky** 0124 **Virgin** 919
5.00am Steve Allen
7.00 Andrew Castle
10.00 Nigel Farage
12.00 Maajid Nawaz
3.00pm Ian Payne
6.00 Clive Bull
9.00 In Conversation with Steve Allen
10.00 Tom Swarbrick
1.00am Darren Adam
4.00 Steve Allen

Asian Network

DAB bbc.co.uk/asiannetwork
F'view 709 **F'sat** 709 **Sky** 0119 **Virgin** 912
6.00am Jasmine Takhar
10.00 Gagan Grewal
1.00pm Preeya Kalidas
3.00 Waqas Saeed
5.00 Dipps Bhamrah Punjabi culture.
7.00 Nadia Ali Bengali music.
9.00 Ashanti Omkar
11.00 Asian Network Residency
1.00am Radio 1's Residency – HAAi
2.00 Radio 1's Residency – Saorise
3.00 DJ Edu Underground music.

MONDAY Radio

Today's Choices



Michelle Visage's Fabulous Divas

7.00pm ***Radio 2***

Michelle's visage crumpled a little when she was voted off *Strictly* last month, but here the ebullient singer and broadcaster bounces back with two tantalising hours "sharing my favourite tracks with Radio 2 listeners". With no shortage of those eponymous fabulous divas – at the very least we're promised Madonna, Lady Gaga, Chaka Khan and Aretha Franklin – the wisecracking *RuPaul's Drag Race* judge, who's pretty much a larger-than-life diva herself, hopes there will be "a song for everyone to dance to". Vogue…! **CHRIS GARDNER**

Drama: Road to Lautrec

2.15pm ***Radio 4***

Garlic festivals are not typical scenes of romance. But this play, recorded at the annual garlic festival in the French hilltop village of Lautrec, is not a typical drama: one of many plays written by Douglas Livingstone that melds the sounds of real-life places and people into his works of fiction. First aired in 2017, and starring Cheryl Campbell, it finds three motley travellers leaving Brexit-torn Britain to find gastronomic merriment and love among Lautrec's pink garlic cloves; something we can all hope for this New Year. **TOM GOULDING**

BEST OF THE REST…

A big day for the Ancient World with the second part of **Natalie Haynes Stands Up for the Classics** *(4.00pm Radio 4)* and the start of **Could an Ancient Athenian Fix Britain?** *(1.45pm Radio 4)*. And with both **Positive Thinking** *(9.00am Radio 4)* and **A Small Matter of Hope** *(8.00pm Radio 4)*, the gloom-and-doom brigade are given something to ponder.

PETE ELLIS

BBC Radio 1

97.6–99.8 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio1
F'view* 700 **F'sat** 700 **Sky** 0101 **Virgin** 901

7.00am Radio 1 Anthems Celebrating 20 years of anthems, starting with the year 2013. At **10.00** recordings from 2014, followed at **1.00pm** by 2015 anthems, with three hours of 2016 celebrated from **4.00**.
7.00pm Annie Mac
9.00 Rickie, Melvin and Charlie
11.00 Radio 1's Indie Show
1.00am Radio 1's Drum & Bass Show
3.00 Radio 1's Chillout Anthems (R)
4.00 Early Breakfast

BBC Radio 2

88–90.2 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio2
F'view* 702 **F'sat** 702 **Sky** 0102 **Virgin** 902

5.00am Grace Dent Sitting in for Vanessa Feltz.
6.30 Nicki Chapman Sitting in for Zoe Ball.
9.30 Ken Bruce Chat, music and features including after **11.30** throughout the week **Tracks of My Years**, featuring – two a day – ten of the all-time favourite records of comedian Milton Jones, a recurring guest panellist on the BBC series *Mock the Week*. He starts with discs by Simon and Garfunkel and the Clash.
12.00 Jeremy Vine
2.00pm Craig Charles Sitting in for Steve Wright.
5.00 Joe Lycett In for Sara Cox.
7.00 Michelle Visage's Fabulous Divas
RT New Jersey-born singer, radio broadcaster and reality television personality Michelle Visage shares some of her favourite music. A longtime judge on the US hit *RuPaul's Drag Race*, Visage celebrates her love of divas on record with a playlist stretching from Judy Garland to Lady Gaga. Producers Ste Softley and Johnny Kalifornia
Festive highlights: pages 248–249
9.00 Bruno Tonioli at the Opera ***4/4.*** Bruno concludes with some of opera's greatest stars – past and present. Featuring music by Bellini, Puccini, Mascagni and others performed by sopranos Anna Netrebko, Renée Fleming, mezzo-soprano Janet Baker, and tenors Fritz Wunderlich, Mario Lanza and Luciano Pavarotti.
10.00 Trevor Nelson's Rhythm Nation Original soul, R&B, funk and disco juxtaposed with modern sounds.
12.00 OJ Borg
3.00am Sounds of the 70s With guest David Hepworth. (R)

BBC 6 Music

DAB bbc.co.uk/6music
Freeview 707 **Freesat** 707 **Sky** 0120 **Virgin** 909

7.30am Nemone Sitting in for Lauren Laverne.
10.30 Tom Ravenscroft Sitting in for Mary Anne Hobbs.
1.00pm Martin Freeman: Decades ***5/6.*** The actor shares personal favourites from the 2000s.
4.00 Huw Stephens
7.00 Marc Riley Squid, Lavinia Blackwall and Robert Forster all figure in the final part of Marc's review of the year's best records and sessions.
9.00 Gideon Coe Archive sessions.
12.00 6 Music Recommends
1.00am Wise Women Natasha Khan (aka Bat for Lashes) picks the music. From 2016.
2.30 Live Hour The Cure in 1990 at Glastonbury and the Raconteurs in 2019,
3.30 Jukebox 5.00 Chris Hawkins

BBC Radio 3

90.2–92.4 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio3
Freeview* 703 **Freesat** 703 **Sky** 0103 **Virgin** 903
News and **weather** Half-hourly 6.30–8.30am, 1pm, 5.00, 6.00

6.30am Breakfast With Georgia Mann.
9.00 Essential Classics With Suzy Klein.
9.30 Listeners' suggestions for the playlist.
10.50 Throughout the week actress Harriet Walter shares her cultural inspirations.
11.10 This week *Essential Classics* pays tribute to some of the musicians who died in 2019.
12.00 Composer of the Week: Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky (1840–93)
1/5. **The Simmering Civil Servant.** In the first of this week's programmes, Donald Macleod explores Tchaikovsky's early years and the tension between his desire to compose and his responsibilities as a clerk in the ministry of justice in St Petersburg.
Swan Lake, Act 2
Vienna PO, conductor Herbert von Karajan
Eugene Onegin, Act 3 (excerpt)
Paris Orchestra, conductor Semyon Bychkov
Song for the Golden Jubilee of the Imperial School of Jurisprudence
Leningrad Glinka Choir, USSR State Academic Russian Choir, conductors Alexander Sveshnikov and Vladislav Chernushenko
Piano Concerto No 1 in B flat minor
Stephen Hough, Minnesota Orchestra, conductor Osmo Vanska
Romeo and Juliet
RPO, conductor Vladimir Ashkenazy (R)
RT OFFER Tchaikovsky's *Three Complete Ballets* (7 CDs) – featuring *Swan Lake, The Sleeping Beauty* and *The Nutcracker* performed by the LSO conducted by André Previn – is available for £18.95 incl p&p. Call 0115 982 7500 quoting ref 9029597489 or visit radiotimes.com/cds
RT OFFER Tchaikovsky's *Symphonies 1–6, Overtures and other orchestral works* (6 CDs) is available for £16.95 incl p&p. Call 0115 982 7500 quoting ref 9029586924 or visit radiotimes.com/cds. Performed by the London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Mstislav Rostropovich
1.00pm Radio 3 Lunchtime Concert
Georgia Mann introduces highlights from a series of recitals given at St George's Bristol in 2018.
Haydn *String Quartet in D, Op 20 No 4*
Carducci Quartet
Fanny Mendelssohn *Piano Trio in D minor, Op 11*
London Bridge Trio (R)
2.00 Afternoon Concert
Tom McKinney presents the first in a week of performances with a Viennese connection, including performances given by the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra. Today's concerts were recorded in January in the Haus für Mozart as part of Mozart Week in Salzburg and in August at the Salzburg Festival:
Mozart *Symphony No 33 in B flat, K319*
Mozart, arr Joachim *Violin concerto No 5 in A, K219 (Turkish)*
Mozart *Symphony No 39 in E flat, K543*
Janine Jansen (violin), Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, conductor Adam Fischer
Schumann *Symphony No 2 in C*
Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, conductor Riccardo Muti
4.30 Early Music Now
Tom McKinney introduces American lutenist Paul O'Dette in a recital of works by Adrian Le Roy and Albert De Rippe, recorded in Vienna.
5.00 New Generation Artists
Presented by Kate Molleson.
Schumann *Frauenliebe und Leben, Op 42*
Catriona Morison (mezzo), James Bailiieu (piano)
Brahms *Piano Quintet in F minor, Op 34*
Elisabeth Brauss (piano), Arod Quartet
Misha Mullov-Abbado *Little Vision*
Misha Mullov-Abbado Group
6.15 Words and Music
Arrivals and Departures. Music by Purcell, Brian Eno and Arvo Pärt and poems by Elizabeth Bishop, William Blake, Emily Dickinson and Louis MacNeice read by Niamh Cusack and Neil Pearson. First broadcast in 2016.
Producer Torquil MacLeod (R)
7.30 BBC Proms 2019
Another chance to hear a Prom recorded in September at the Royal Albert Hall, London. Presented by Ian Skelly.
Danae Kontora (soprano), Deutsche Kammerphilharmonie, Bremen, conductor Constantinos Carydis
Mozart *Overture: Die Entführung aus dem Serail; Popoli di Tessaglia! – Io non chiedo, eterni Dei, K316; Cassation in G, K63 (3rd mvt); No, no, che non sei capace, K419; Symphony No 35 in D, K385 (Haffner)*
8.25 Interval Georgia Mann is joined by Barbara Eichner and William Mival to explore musical connections between Strauss and Mozart.
8.45 Strauss *Sextet (Capriccio); Grossmächtige Prinzessin! (Ariadne auf Naxos)*
Beethoven *Symphony No 7 in A* (R)
10.00 BBC Proms 2019
A Prom recorded in August at the Royal Albert Hall, London, in which Andrew McGregor introduces a celebration of American singer/songwriter, arranger and activist Nina Simone (1933–2003).
Ledisi (singer), Lisa Fischer (singer), Metropole Orkest, conductor Jules Buckley
Part 1
10.50 Interval Kevin LeGendre discusses Nina Simone's legacy. He's joined by poet Zena Edwards and singer/musician Ayanna Witter-Johnson.
11.10 Part 2 (R)
12.30am Through the Night
With Jonathan Swain. **Brahms** *Symphony No 3 in F;* **Berlioz** *Harold en Italie* Nicolas Bône (viola), French National Orchestra, conductor Emmanuel Krivine **1.46 Schubert** *String Quartet No 14 in D minor (Death and the Maiden)* **2.31 Svendsen** *Symphony No 2 in B flat, Op 15* **3.05 Beethoven** *15 Variations and a Fugue on a Theme from Prometheus, Op 35* **3.31 Forster** *Dulcis amor Jesu* **3.40 Lutoslawski** *Little Suite* **3.50 Handel** *Recorder Sonata in C, HWV365* **4.02 Stravinsky** *Octet* **4.18 Saint-Georges** *L'amant anonyme (excerpts)* **4.24 Bizet** *Habanera (Carmen)* **4.31 Verdi** *Overture: La forza del destino* **4.39 Giustini** *Keyboard Sonata No 1 in G minor* **4.49 Smetana** *Vltava (Ma vlast)* **5.02 Gabrieli** *Exaudi me* **5.08 Kabalevsky** *Violin Concerto* **5.24 Norman** *Contrasts, Op 61 (Nos 3 and 4)* **5.29 Debussy** *Images* **6.03 Vaughan Williams** *Quintet for clarinet, horn, violin, cello and piano*

Scala Radio

DAB scalaradio.co.uk Sky 0216

6.00am In the Park Calming sounds.
7.00 Charles Nove Vibrant and soothing music.
10.00 Jamie Crick Sitting in for Simon Mayo.
1.00pm Sam Hughes Popular classical works.
4.00 Mark Forrest An eclectic playlist, including the **Scala Immersion** at **6.30**.
7.00 Mark Kermode's Best Movie Music The film enthusiast revisits some of his favourite scores of the year, with music by Nainita Desai (*Sama*), Hildur Gudnadottir (*Joker*), Max Richter (*Mary Queen of Scots*) and Mica Levi (*Monos*). (R)
9.00 The Space Nonstop atmospheric music.
10.00 Hannah Cox 1.00am Night Music

Absolute Radio

DAB absoluteradio.co.uk
F'view 727 **F'sat** 724 **Sky** 0107 **Virgin** 915

6.00am Ben Burrell 10.00 Leona Graham 10.00 CHOICE: (Not) Just a Girl Claire Sturgess with a look at women in the music industry these past ten years
Festive highlights: pages 248–249
11.00 The Gig That Changed the World The legacy of the 4 June 1976 gig by the Sex Pistols at Manchester's Lesser Free Trade Hall **12.00 Time to Listen 1.00am Chris Martin**

Classic FM

99.9–101.9 FM DAB classicfm.com
Freeview 731 **Freesat** 721 **Sky** 0106 **Virgin** 922

6.00am More Music Breakfast Sam Pittis with music, news and financial updates.
9.00 John Suchet Music and features including at **9.00** the **Classic FM Hall of Fame Hour** – favourite works voted into listeners' Top 300 – and at **10.15** the **Classic FM Album of the Week**.
1.00pm Catherine Bott Soprano Catherine Bott presents popular classical works, including the **Hall of Fame 3 at 3** – three pieces of music from the Classic FM Hall of Fame chart.
5.00 Nicholas Owen Old favourites and new discoveries including **Smooth Classics at Seven**.
8.00 The Story of Decca
5/5. Darren Henley concludes with a showcase of bright young talent in classical music, including violinist Nicola Benedetti, pianist Isata Kanneh-Mason, saxophonist Jess Gillam, multi-instrumentalist Olafur Arnalds and Benjamin Grosvenor, who in 2011 became the youngest ever artist to sign to Decca.
10.00 Smooth Classics Karthi Gnanasegaram with smooth sounds.
1.00am Bob Jones

BBC Radio 4

92.4–94.6 FM 198 LW DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4
Freeview 704 **Freesat** 704 (FM) 710 (LW)
Sky 0104 (FM) 0143 (LW) **Virgin** 904 (FM) 911 (LW)
News 5.30am, 6.00 and hourly to 12 midnight
Weather 5.57am, 6.05, 6.57, 7.57, 12.57pm, 5.57, 9.59, 12.30am
Shipping Forecasts 5.20am, 12.01pm (*LW*), 5.54 (*LW*), 12.48am

5.30am News Briefing

5.43 Prayer for the Day
With Bishop John Inge, the Bishop of Worcester.

5.45 Farming Today

5.58 Tweet of the Day
The Twelve Tweets of Christmas. Alison Steadman on the redshank and the oystercatcher. (R)

6.00 Today
Sarah Smith and Mishal Husain present an edition guest-edited by the environmental campaigner Greta Thunberg.

6.25, 7.25, 8.25 Sports News

7.48 Thought for the Day

9.00 Positive Thinking
New series. 1/5. Five programmes exploring new and innovative solutions to problems as varied as waste, rats, and re-offending.
Repeated 9.30pm

9.30 Witness
1/4. Reports on key events in history, featuring first-hand accounts from people who were there. Today: 1942 and the moment the US began sending troops to the UK to help fight the Second World War. Among them were thousands of black GIs, some of whom struck up relationships with British women. Farhana Haider talks to Babs Gibson-Ward, one of the children born as a result of her mother's relationship with an African-American soldier, a man she's been trying to trace all her life. Producer Kirsty Reid

9.45 *FM* **Book of the Week: Unreliable Memoirs**
1/5. Another chance to hear Clive James – who died last month – reading the first volume of his autobiography, covering his early life in Australia. Abridged by Jane Marshall. First broadcast on Radio 2 in 2001.
Producer Jane Marshall Repeated 12.30am

9.45 *LW* **Daily Service**
Led by Rev. Paul Mathole. Psalm 139, vv13–16; A Great and Mighty Wonder (*Es ist ein Ros Entrsprungen*); Brightest and Best (Malcolm Archer); Born on a New Day (John David).

10.00 Woman's Hour With Jane Garvey.

10.45 Charlotte and Lillian ***1/5.*** In the *15-Minute Drama,* another chance to hear episode one from the first series of Holly Walsh and Kat Sommers's comedy, starring Helen Monks and Miriam Margolyes. In the throes of splitting up with her partner, 29-year-old Charlotte decides to sign up for voluntary work with the elderly, finding herself paired up with feisty and belligerent 82-year-old Lillian. Producer Lucy Armitage (R)

11.00 The Untold
6/13. Grace Dent with another story of everyday life in 21st-century Britain.

11.30 Loose Ends Rptd from Sat 28 Dec 6.15pm

12.04pm The Secret Commonwealth
6/10. Lyra sets out on her dangerous journey across Europe. Simon Russell Beale reads from the second volume of Philip Pullman's *The Book of Dust* trilogy.
Producer Michael Shannon Repeated 10.45pm
RT BOOKS To order *The Secret Commonwealth* by Philip Pullman for £18 incl p&p, call 03302 232 639 or visit radiotimes.com/shop01

12.18 You and Yours Consumer reports.

1.00 The World at One With Luke Jones.

1.45 Could an Ancient Athenian Fix Britain?
RT ***New series. 1/5.*** **Know Thyself**
Comedian Jon Harvey explores modern British democracy through the lens of Ancient Greece. Producers Polly Thomas and Eloise Whitmore

2.00 The Archers Rptd from yesterday 7pm

2.15 Drama: Road to Lautrec
RT Douglas Livingstone's romance is set in a medieval hilltop French village.

Mary	**Cheryl Campbell**	Susanna	**Emma Cunniffe**
Colin	**Robin Ellis**	Young Mary	**Bronte Tadman**
Harry	**Nigel Anthony**	Philippe	**Pierre Elliott**

Director Jane Morgan

3.00 Quote...Unquote
5/6. Nigel Rees hosts the panel game about quotations, with Tim Rice, Robin Stevens, Shazia Mirza. Producer Victoria Lloyd Rptd Sat 11pm

3.30 The Food Programme
Repeated from yesterday 12.30pm

4.00 Natalie Haynes Stands Up for the Classics
2/4. Natalie Haynes tells the stories of the handful of Roman-British women whose traces stay with us: a fierce queen, a slave woman freed for love, the so-called Ivory Bangle Lady, and Claudia Severa, whose invitation to her friend to her birthday party some 2,000 years ago is one of the greatest historical treasures of Roman Britain.
Producer Mary Ward-Lowery

4.30 Beyond Belief
5/6. **Miracles.** Ernie Rea is joined by Ian Hutchinson, John Thavis and Sarah Shaw to discuss miracles. Producer Helen Lee

5.00 PM Presented by Carolyn Quinn.

6.00 Six o'Clock News

6.15 Ghost Stories from Ambridge
RT ***New series. 1/3.*** Jim Lloyd (*Archers* star John Rowe) enthrals an assembly of Ambridge residents with the first of three chilling tales. In EF Benson's *The Room in the Tower*, a young man finds himself staying in a mysterious house that has plagued his dreams since childhood.
Producers/Directors Charlotte Davey and Mel Howard
Festive highlights: pages 248–249

6.30 The Unbelievable Truth
New series. 1/6. David Mitchell presents the comedy panel show, with Holly Walsh, Henning Wehn, Tony Hawks and Sally Phillips talking with deliberate inaccuracy on subjects as varied as actors, rules, dogs and Finland.
Producer Jon Naismith Repeated Sunday 12.04pm

7.00 The Archers
Lee gets a lesson in farming.
For cast see Friday 3 January Repeated tomorrow 2pm

7.15 Front Row
Samira Ahmed reflects on the developments in the TV industry during the 2010s.

7.45 My Life with Flu
1/5. Romantic drama by Sarah Woods, following one woman across five decades as she struggles with the highs and lows of life, love and viral infection – underlining the deep connection that human beings have with the viruses that survive through them. The first episode takes place in January 1969, when Jill and David's relationship is derailed by an outbreak of Hong Kong flu.

Jill/Polly	**Hannah Daniel**	Yvette/Protestor/Paramedic	
David	**Ronan Summers**		**Eirlys Bellin**
John	**Liam Williams**	Doctor	**John Norton**
Jill	**Sharon Morgan**	Minister/Paramedic/Doctor	
David	**William Hope**		**Alun Raglan**
John	**Simon Armstrong**	Narrator	**Eiry Thomas**

Producer/Director James Robinson (R)

8.00 A Small Matter of Hope
Fraser Nelson, the editor of *The Spectator,* investigates why people are so pessimistic about the world. In search of answers, he meets some of the bestselling thinkers on human happiness, including psychology professor Steven Pinker, and authors Matt Haig and Anna Rosling Ronnlund.
Producer Alasdair Cross Repeated Saturday 11am

8.30 Crossing Continents
Repeated from Boxing Day 11am

9.00 Dads and the Delivery Room
Repeated from Christmas Eve 11am

9.30 Positive Thinking Repeated from 9am

10.00 The World Tonight With Shaun Ley.

10.45 The Secret Commonwealth
6/10. Repeated from 12.04pm

11.00 Have You Heard George's Podcast?
4/5. **The Bag.** George the Poet reveals how the "Insecurity Guards" hunt down ideas before they can make it on to his podcast.

11.30 James Veitch's Contractual Obligation
3/3. **A Gamer.** The comedian sets out to design a computer game. Producer Sam Peach (R)

12.00 News

12.15am Living Memory
4/5. **A New World Order.** An actor from Bermuda looks back at his life in the UK.

12.30–12.45 Book of the Week: Unreliable Memoirs ***1/5.*** Rptd from 9.45am

1.00 as BBC World Service

BBC Radio 4 Extra

DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4extra
Freeview 708 **Freesat** 708 **Sky** 0131 **Virgin** 910

6.00am One, Two, Buckle My Shoe as 8pm
6.30 Mr Pollock's Theatres as 8.30pm
7.00 Arrested Development Comedy (2/4)
7.30 The Museum of Curiosity Panel show
8.00 The Enchanting World of Hinge and Bracket
8.30 Dad's Army 1976 comedy
9.00 Just a Minute 2012 comedy panel show
9.30 Semi Circles Simon Brett's sitcom (2/6)
10.00 Little Dorrit By Charles Dickens (1/5)
11.00 TED Radio Hour With Guy Raz
11.50 Inheritance Tracks With Johnny Marr
12.00 The Enchanting World of Hinge and Bracket
12.30pm Dad's Army 1976 comedy
1.00 One, Two, Buckle My Shoe as 8pm
1.30 Mr Pollock's Theatres as 8.30pm
2.00 Sweet Caress Adaptation by Sara Davies of William Boyd's 2015 fictional autobiography about the life and times of a woman named Amory Clay, born in 1908. Read by Barbara Flynn. From 2015 (1/10)
2.15 The Hidden Henry A 2009 series marking the 500th anniversary of the coronation of Henry VIII that explores lesser known aspects of the man (1/5)
2.30 Northanger Abbey By Jane Austen (6/10)
2.45 Schubert's Winter Journey
Tenor Ian Bostridge explores Schubert's powerful song cycle *Winterreise* (1/5)
3.00 Little Dorrit By Charles Dickens (1/5)
4.00 Just a Minute 2012 comedy panel show
4.30 Semi Circles Simon Brett's sitcom (2/6)
5.00 Arrested Development Comedy (2/4)
5.30 The Museum of Curiosity Panel show
6.00 Doctor Who – Serpent Crest Tom Baker and Susan Jameson star in Paul Magrs's sci-fi adventure *Aladdin Time*, involving a labyrinth of magical rooms and strange characters (2/2)
6.30 A Good Read Literary discussion (2/9)
7.00 The Enchanting World of Hinge and Bracket
7.30 Dad's Army 1976 comedy
8.00 One, Two, Buckle My Shoe
Dramatisation by Michael Bakewell of Agatha Christie's 1940 mystery, starring John Moffatt as Hercule Poirot, whose dentist is found murdered, with even more gruesome events to follow (1/5)
8.30 Mr Pollock's Theatres Simon Callow explores the toy theatres made famous by Hoxton printer Benjamin Pollock. With Peter Brook and Peter Blake
9.00 TED Radio Hour With Guy Raz
9.50 Inheritance Tracks With Johnny Marr
10.00–12.00 Comedy Club: The Museum of Curiosity, at **10.30 On the Hour** (1/6), at **11.00 Dead Ringers** (3/3), and at **11.30 Hamish and Dougal: You'll Have Had Your Tea**
12.00 as 6pm **12.30am** as 6.30pm **1.00** as 8pm **1.30** as 8.30pm **2.00** as 2pm **2.15** as 2.15pm **2.30** as 2.30pm **2.45** as 2.45pm **3.00** as 3pm **4.00** as 4pm **4.30** as 4.30pm **5.00** as 5pm **5.30** as 5.30pm

BBC World Service

DAB bbc.co.uk/worldserviceradio
Freeview* 710 **Freesat** 711 **Sky** 0115 **Virgin** 906
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5.00am News **5.05** The Newsroom **5.30** Crowd Science **6.00** Newsday **8.30** Business Daily **8.50** Witness History **9.00** News **9.05** The Inquiry **9.30** Boston Calling: the news from an American perspective **10.00** World Update **11.00** The Newsroom **11.30** The Conversation **12.00** News **12.05pm** Outlook **12.50** Witness History **1.00** The Newsroom **1.30** The Why Factor **1.50** More or Less **2.00** Newshour **3.00** News **3.05** Hardtalk **3.30** World Business Report **4.00** BBC OS **6.00** News **6.05** Outlook **6.50** Witness History **7.00** News **7.05** The Newsroom **7.30** Sport Today **8.00** News **8.05** Hardtalk: interviews with newsmakers and personalities **8.30** Discovery: insights from leading scientific figures **9.00** Newshour: the stories behind the latest headlines **10.00** News **10.05** The Newsroom **10.20** Sports News **10.30** World Business Report: informed analysis **11.00** News **11.05** The Why Factor: histories behind everyday objects and actions **11.30** The Conversation **12.00** News **12.05am** The History Hour **1.00** News **1.05** Business Matters **2.00** News **2.05** The Newsroom **2.30** The Why Factor **2.50** More or Less **3.00** News **3.05** Outlook **4.00** News **4.05** People Fixing the World **4.30** In the Studio

BBC Radio 5 Live

693, 909 MW DAB bbc.co.uk/fivelive
F'view 705 **F'sat** 705 **Sky** 0105 **Virgin** 905
Sports Extra F'view 706 **F'sat** 706
Sky 0144 **Virgin** 908
News and **sport** bulletin every half-hour
Times vary during live sports coverage

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
5.00–7.30am Cricket
Continued coverage of Australia v New Zealand in the Second Test.

5.00am Morning Reports

5.15 Wake Up to Money
Financial news stories.

6.00 5 Live Breakfast
Nicky Campbell and Clare McDonnell present news from the UK and around the world, including business, travel updates and the day's sports stories. At **9.00** Nicky Campbell invites listeners' calls on the day's big story in **Your Call**.

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
8.00–12.30pm Cricket
Hobart Hurricanes v Melbourne Stars, a Big Bash match.

10.00 Chris Warburton
News and current affairs interviews.

1.00pm Nihal Arthanayake
News, big-name interviews and topical conversation.

4.00 5 Live Drive
Presented by Tony Livesey.

7.00 5 Live Sport
Mark Chapman presents news, interviews and features including **The Monday Night Club**, in which he's joined in discussion by former footballer Chris Sutton and chief *New York Times* soccer correspondent Rory Smith. At **9.00 5 Live Cricket** featuring the latest news and interviews.

10.30 Geoff Lloyd
Sitting in for Sarah Brett,.

1.00am Up All Night
With Rhod Sharp.

Talksport

1053, 1089 MW DAB talksport.co.uk
F'view 723 **F'sat** 731 **Sky** 0108 **Virgin** 927

6.00am Sports Breakfast
Presented by Alan Brazil.
10.00 Mid-Morning
1.00pm Max Rushden
4.00 Drive
7.00 The PressBox With Danny Kelly, Simon Jordan and Shaun Custis.
10.00 Sports Bar
1.00am Extra Time With Paul Ross.
5.00 Early Breakfast

LBC

97.3 FM (London area) DAB lbc.co.uk
F'view 732 **F'sat** 734 **Sky** 0124 **Virgin** 919

7.00am Nick Ferrari
Fast-paced topical show.
10.00 James O'Brien
1.00pm Shelagh Fogarty
4.00 Eddie Mair
6.00 Nigel Farage
7.00 Iain Dale
10.00 Tom Swarbrick
Pacy and unpredictable topical show.
1.00am Darren Adam
4.00 Steve Allen

Asian Network

DAB bbc.co.uk/asiannetwork
F'view 709 **F'sat** 709 **Sky** 0119 **Virgin** 912

6.00am Panjabi Hit Squad
10.00 Waqas Saeed New music and classics, from Pakistan to the UK.
1.00pm Haroon Rashid
4.00 The Official Asian Music Chart of 2019 With Yasser.
7.00 Bobby Friction
10.00 Mobeen Azhar
Highlights form this year's shows.
12.00 Asian Network's Shisha Lounge Mix
12.30am Asian Network Playlists
1.00 Radio 1's Drum & Bass Show
3.00 1Xtra Mixes
4.00 Twin B New tunes.

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Today's Choices



David Mellor's Viennese-Up

8.00pm ***Classic FM***

If New Year is now synonymous with Vienna and the music of Strauss, we have the city's notorious Nazi gauleiter, Baldur von Schirach, to thank. He first got the Vienna Philharmonic to give a morale-boosting all-Strauss concert on New Year's Eve in 1939. Despite the Strauss family's Jewish origins, which the Nazis hid by carefully doctoring the marriage register in St Stephen's Cathedral, the tradition of course outlived the 1,000-year Reich. Which is why, tonight, David Mellor welcomes in the new year in Viennese waltz time. **MARK PAPPENHEIM**

Disagreeing Better

8.00pm ***Radio 4***

After Timandra Harkness's 2018 series *How to Disagree: A Beginner's Guide to Having Better Arguments*, it's the turn of Labour politician Douglas Alexander to try and smooth things out. Always a civilised and emollient presence on the political scene – have you noticed any such figures lately? – Alexander offers up a "guide to disagreeing better" that may be too little too late but is nonetheless a useful message to take into the new year. **SIMON O'HAGAN**

BEST OF THE REST... From 7pm on Radio 2, it's one New Year's Eve party after another, while the balloons and streamers in **BBC Proms 2019** (*9.00pm Radio 3*) come courtesy of this year's Last Night. It'll be hard to sit still for any of that, and fidgeting is the surprisingly rich topic explored by Kat Arney – herself a bit of a fidgeter – in **Fidget on Four** (*11.00am Radio 4*). A repeat of **Soul Music** (*4.00pm Radio 4*) is an opportunity to gen up on *Auld Lang Syne*.

JUDY STEVENS

BBC Radio 1

97.6–99.8 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio1
F'view* 700 **F'sat** 700 **Sky** 0101 **Virgin** 901

7.00am Radio 1 Anthems Celebrating 20 years of anthems on Radio 1, starting with the year 2017, followed by tracks from 2018 at **9.00** and 2019 at **11.00**.
1.00pm Radio 1's Party Anthems Scott Mills kicks off 12 hours of anthems to celebrate the new year. Charlie Hedges takes over at **5.00** and Jordan North is on air from **9.00**.
1.00am Annie Nightingale Presents... Beats and breaks.
3.00 Radio 1's Wind Down With Yotto in the mix. (R)
4.00 Katie Thistleton

BBC Radio 2

88–90.2 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio2
F'view* 702 **F'sat** 702 **Sky** 0102 **Virgin** 902

5.00am Grace Dent
6.30 Nicki Chapman Upbeat show with chat, phone-ins and texts, regular features and music, with chart oldies and tracks from Radio 2's current playlist.
9.30 Ken Bruce Music, chat and regular features including after **11.30 Tracks of My Years**, in which comedian Milton Jones discusses two more of his all-time favourite records, today featuring Billy Idol and Soul II Soul.
12.00 Jeremy Vine Topical show.
2.00pm Craig Charles Chat, music and guests.
See 10pm 6 Music
5.00 Joe Lycett Chat, chart oldies and music from Radio 2's current playlist, plus phone-ins, texts and dedications.
7.00 Tony Blackburn's 60s New Year's Eve The veteran BBC disc jockey and presenter of Radio 2's Saturday morning oldies show *Sounds of the 60s* presents a pick of period gems including the Supremes, the Rolling Stones and the Drifters.
8.30 Ana Matronic's 70s New Year's Eve Radio 2's Saturday night broadcaster heats up New Year's Eve with a 1970s playlist.
10.00 Gary Davies's 80s New Year's Eve A special edition of Radio 2's Friday show *Sounds of the 80s*.
11.30 Scott Mills's 90s New Year's Eve Scott sees in the new year with floor-fillers from the 1990s, when he joined the Radio 1 roster.
1.00am Dave Pearce Dance Anthems Ibiza classics and club anthems.

BBC 6 Music

DAB bbc.co.uk/6music
Freeview 707 **Freesat** 707 **Sky** 0120 **Virgin** 909

7.30am Nemone
10.30 Tom Ravenscroft A year-end rave special with techno and more.
1.00pm Martin Freeman: Decades ***6/6.*** Actor Martin Freeman concludes with some of his favourite music from the 2010s. He also recalls the decade's news stories and cultural moments.
4.00 Huw Stephens
7.00 Hot Chip New Year's Eve Party Nineteen years after forming, the London synthpop band provide a warm-up for the new year, with party mixes from members of the group.
10.00 Craig Charles New Year's Eve Party Funk and soul party tunes by Mario Biondi, Rosemary Martins and more.
1.00am Jukebox 5.00 Chris Hawkins

BBC Radio 3

90.2–92.4 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio3
Freeview* 703 **Freesat** 703 **Sky** 0103 **Virgin** 903
News and **weather** as yesterday

6.30am Breakfast With Georgia Mann.
9.00 Essential Classics With Suzy Klein.
10.50 Harriet Walter shares her cultural inspirations.
11.10 This week *Essential Classics* pays tribute to some of the musicians who died in 2019.
12.00 Composer of the Week: Tchaikovsky ***2/4.*** **A Man Apart.** Donald Macleod explores Tchaikovsky's conflicted relationship with the ascendant Russian nationalist school. Of his symphonies, his second – with its use of Ukrainian folk tunes – is the one that's closest to that school, one of his friends christening it *Little Russian* after the nickname of Ukraine in tsarist times.
Chant sans paroles (Souvenir de Hapsal)
Viktoria Postnikova (piano)
None but the Lonely Heart
Joan Rodgers (soprano), Roger Vignoles (piano)
String Quartet No 1 in D
Borodin Quartet
First Song of Lel (The Snow Maiden)
Detroit SO, conductor Neeme Jarvi
Symphony No 2 in C minor (Little Russian) (4th mvt)
Russian National Orchestra, conductor Mikhail Pletnev
Overture: 1812
Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra, conductor Claudio Abbado (R)
1.00pm Radio 3 Lunchtime Concert Another recital given in 2018 at St George's Bristol, presented by Georgia Mann.
Mahler *Rückert Lieder*
Mark Padmore (tenor), Julius Drake (piano)
Schumann *Piano Trio No 1 in D minor, Op 63*
London Bridge Trio (R)
2.00 Afternoon Concert Tom McKinney continues a week of performances with a Viennese connection, featuring the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra.
Verdi *Requiem*
Anita Rachvelishvili (mezzo), Krassimira Stoyanova (soprano) Francesco Meli (tenor), Ildar Abdrazakov (bass), Concert Association of the Vienna State Opera Chorus, Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, conductor Riccardo Muti
Bernstein *Overture: Candide*
J Strauss (son) *Kaiser-Jubiläum, Op 434*
Gershwin, orch Grofé *Rhapsody in Blue*
Steiner *Casablanca Suite*
Yuja Wang (piano) Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, conductor Gustavo Dudamel
5.00 New Generation Artists Presented by Kate Molleson.
Meyerbeer *Lied des venezianischen Gondolier (Mina)*
Fauré *Barcarolle (Trois mélodies, Op 7)* Alessandro Fisher (tenor), Ashok Gupta (tenor)
Giuliani *Rossiniana No 1, Op 119* Thibaut Garcia (guitar)
Liszt *Consolations, S172* Mariam Batsashvili (piano)
Verdi *Il tramonto* Alessandro Fisher (tenor), Gary Matthewman (piano)

Scala Radio

DAB scalaradio.co.uk Sky 0216

6.00am In the Park Calming sounds.
7.00 Charles Nove Vibrant and soothing music.
10.00 Jamie Crick Classical music.
1.00pm Sam Hughes Popular classical works, plus new discoveries and rediscoveries. Including at **2.00 Mindfulness Music**.
4.00 Mark Forrest An eclectic playlist.
7.00 Simon Mayo – Best of the Guests 2019 highlights including actor Jason Isaacs, composer Anne Dudley, artist Charlie Mackesy and cast members from *Downton Abbey*. (R)
9.00 New Year's Eve Party with Jack Pepper and Jamie Crick An upbeat playlist including show tunes from musicals, waltzes and instrumental re-workings of pop songs.
1.00am Night Music Nonstop classical music.

Absolute Radio

DAB absoluteradio.co.uk
F'view 727 **F'sat** 724 **Sky** 0107 **Virgin** 915

6.00am Ben Burrell 10.00 Leona Graham 1.00pm Jay Lawrence 4.00 Claire Sturgess's Absolute 80s New Year's Eve 7.00 Andy Bush's New Year's Eve Indie Disco 10.00 New Year's Mixtape

5.45 Words and Music
So Emotional. Brid Brennan and Iain Glen with an emotion-themed edition with works by 14th-century mystic Margery Kempe, John Milton, Dorothy Parker, Roald Dahl and instagram poet Rupi Kaur. With music by Britten and recordings by Lulu, Judy Garland and Elvis Costello. First broadcast in March 2019 as part of the Free Thinking festival. (R)
7.00 BBC Proms 2019
Ian Skelly presents a concert from September.
Yuja Wang (piano), Dresden Staatskapelle, conductor Myung-Whun Chung
Rachmaninov *Piano Concerto No 3 in D minor*
Brahms *Symphony No 2 in D* (R)
9.00 BBC Proms 2019
The 2019 Last Night of the Proms, recorded at the Royal Albert Hall, London, and introduced by Petroc Trelawny and Georgia Mann.
Jamie Barton (mezzo), BBC Singers, BBC Symphony Chorus and Orchestra, conductor Sakari Oramo
Daniel Kidane *Woke (first performance)*
Falla *The Three-Cornered Hat: Suite No 2*
Laura Mvula *Sing to the Moon*
Maconchy *Proud Thames*
Elgar *Sospiri*
Bizet *L'Amour est un oiseau rebelle (Habanera) (Carmen)*
Saint-Saëns *Mon coeur s'ouvre à ta voix (Samson et Dalila)*
Verdi *O don fatale (Don Carlos); Triumphal March (Aida)*
Offenbach *Overture: Orpheus in the Underworld*
Grainger *Marching Song of Democracy*
Arlen/Harburg *Over the Rainbow*
Gershwin *I Got Rhythm*
Henry Wood *Fantasia on British Sea Songs*
Arne, arr Sargent *Rule, Britannia!*
Elgar *Land of Hope and Glory (Pomp and Circumstance March No 1 in D)*
Parry, orch Elgar *Jerusalem*
Britten *The National Anthem*
Trad, arr Paul Campbell *Auld Lang Syne* (R)
12.00 Night Tracks Hannah Peel presents her own exclusive *Night Tracks* archive remix to usher in the new year.
12.30am Through the Night With Jonathan Swain. **Klein** *String Trio* **12.46 Dvorak** *Piano Trio No 4 in E minor, Op 90 (Dumky)* **1.17 Dvorak** *Slavonic Dances, Op 72 (Nos 2 and 7)* **1.26 Fall** *Piano Trio in A Minor, Op 4* **1.56 Fall** *Overture: Die geschiedene Frau* **2.04 Mozart** *Partita in F for wind octet, KAnhC.17.05* **2.31 Bach** *Magnificat in D, BWV243* **2.58 Beethoven** *Piano Concerto No 1 in C, Op 15* **3.32 Vivaldi** *Violin Concerto, RV178*. **3.41 Gesualdo** *Ave dulcissima Maria* **3.48 Grieg** *Peer Gynt: Suite No 1* **4.02 Liszt** *Valse-Impromptu* **4.08 Fauré** *Pavane, Op 50* **4.16 Kreisler** *Liebesleid* **4.19 Weber** *Overture: Peter Schmoll und seine Nachbarn* **4.31 Mozart** *Overture: Le Nozze di Figaro* **4.36 J Strauss (son), arr Buchbinder** *An der schönen blauen Donau, Op 314* **4.41 Brahms** *Academic Festival Overture, Op 80* **4.52** Poulenc *Quatre motets pour le temps de Noel* **5.02 Krasa** *Overture for chamber orchestra* **5.08 Jiranek** *Bassoon Concerto in F* **5.18 Norman** *Rosa rorans bonitatem, Op 45* **5.26 Prokofiev** Symphony No 1 (Classical). **5.40 Bach** *Cello Suite No 6 in D, BWV1012* **6.11 Rameau** *Dardanus – ballet suites*

Classic FM

99.9–101.9 FM DAB classicfm.com
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6.00am More Music Breakfast Sam Pittis with music and the latest news.
9.00 John Suchet Music and features including at **9.00** the **Classic FM Hall of Fame Hour** – favourite works voted into listeners' Top 300 – and at **10.15** the **Classic FM Album of the Week**
1.00pm Catherine Bott Catherine presents classical favourites, including the **Hall of Fame 3 at 3** – three pieces of music from the Classic FM Hall of Fame chart.
5.00 Nicholas Owen Three hours of old favourites and new discoveries, including **Smooth Classics at Seven**.
8.00 David Mellor's Viennese-Up
RT In a special programme for New Year's Eve, David Mellor introduces famous waltzes, polkas and marches that were popular in Vienna during the time of the Strauss musical dynasty.
Festive highlights: pages 248–249
10.00 Smooth Classics Karthi Gnanasegaram with a mellow playlist to see in the new year.
1.00am Bob Jones Music to welcome in the new year.



BBC Radio 4

92.4–94.6 FM 198 LW DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4
Freeview 704 **Freesat** 704 (FM) 710 (LW)
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News, weather and **shipping forecasts** as yesterday; no weather at 5.57am

5.30am News Briefing
5.43 Prayer for the Day
With Bishop John Inge, the Bishop of Worcester.
5.45 Farming Today Rural developments.
5.58 Tweet of the Day
The Twelve Tweets of Christmas. Alison Steadman discusses the drumming noise made by the male snipe as it seeks out a mate. (R)
6.00 Today
Sarah Smith and Martha Kearney present an edition guest-edited by the podcaster George the Poet.
6.25, 7.25, 8.25 Sports News
7.48 Thought for the Day
9.00 Positive Thinking
2/5. The second of five programmes that explore new and innovative solutions to problems as varied as waste, rats and re-offending. Repeated 9.30pm
9.30 Witness
2/4. This was a huge year for South Africa's rugby team: winning the World Cup under their first black captain, Siya Kolisi. But the first time South Africa won a Rugby World Cup was in 1995, and then there was only one player of colour in the team. His name was Chester Williams and he died in September. Rebecca Kesby has been looking back at his life with the help of one of his best friends, Jerome Paarwater. For details see yesterday
9.45 *FM* **Book of the Week: Unreliable Memoirs**
2/5. Clive James continues reading the first volume of his autobiography.
For details see yesterday Repeatd 12.30am
9.45 *LW* **Daily Service**
Led by Becky Silver. Isaiah 43 vv18–21. Of the Father's Heart Begotten (*Divinum Mysterium*); Go Tell It on the Mountain (John Rutter); Fill Thou My Life (Horatius Bonar).
10.00 Woman's Hour With Jane Garvey.
10.45 Charlotte and Lillian ***2/5***
The *15-Minute Drama* by Holly Walsh and Kat Sommers. While helping Lillian clear out her garage, Charlotte comes across a priceless vintage treasure, and self-interest soon gets the better of her. For cast and details see yesterday (R)
11.00 Fidget on Four
From doodling to involuntary fiddling with stuff, what is the psychological impulse behind fidgeting? Kat Arney investigates.
Producer Sue Nelson Repeated Monday 9pm
11.30 There Was a Young Fellow Named Palin
Michael Palin immerses himself in the world of limericks, in the company of James Peak. First broadcast December 2018.
Producers James Peak and Andre Jacquemin (R)
12.04pm The Secret Commonwealth
7/10. Simon Russell Beale reads Philip Pullman's novel. In Prague, a stranger with a familiar name asks Lyra for her help.
For details see yesterday Repeated 10.45pm
12.18 Call You and Yours
Consumer affairs phone-in.
PHONE: 0370 010 0444 (Lines open from 10am)
EMAIL: youandyours@bbc.co.uk
1.00 The World at One With Luke Jones.
1.45 Could an Ancient Athenian Fix Britain?
2/5. **Lots of Potential.** Comedian and classicist Jon Harvey examines what ancient Athens can teach modern Britain about the challenges of democratic politics.
For details see yesterday
2.00 The Archers Rptd from yesterday 7pm
2.15 Drama: North by Northamptonshire: Full Stop
Comedy by Katherine Jakeways. It's New Year's Eve and the inhabitants of Wadenbrook, having recently performed their own amateur production of *My Fair Lady,* are excited to see a professional staging. Ex-school teacher Mary has organised the trip, with a rather uncharacteristic ulterior motive at the end of it.

Narrator	**Sheila Hancock**	Ken/Jonathan	**Kevin Eldon**
Esther/Radio DJ	**Katherine Jakeways**	Mary	**Penelope Wilton**
		Norman	**Geoffrey Palmer**
Jan	**Felicity Montagu**	Orson	**Simon Kane**
Keith	**John Biggin**		

Producer Julia McKenzie (R)
3.00 The Kitchen Cabinet
Repeated from Saturday 28 December 10.30am
3.30 Making History
3/8. **Back to the Future.** Tom Holland and Iszi Lawrence look at what history has had to say about the future. When did "the future" emerge as a concept? Producer Alison Vernon-Smith
ADDRESS: *Making History*, PO Box 3096, Brighton BN1 1PL
EMAIL: making.history@bbc.co.uk PHONE: 0370 010 0400
4.00 Soul Music
Stories behind *Auld Lang Syne,* the song of New Year's Eve made famous by Robert Burns. Producer Maggie Ayre (R)
4.30 Great Lives
Bill Bailey nominates 19th-century naturalist Alfred Russel Wallace, one of the key figures in discovering the theory of evolution. Presented by Matthew Parris.
Producer Miles Warde Repeated Friday 3 January 11pm
5.00 PM Presented by Carolyn Quinn.
6.00 Six o'Clock News
6.15 Ghost Stories from Ambridge
2/3. Jim Lloyd (*Archers* actor John Rowe) enthrals an assembly of Ambridge residents with MR James's *Lost Hearts* – the second of three chilling tales. A young boy arrives at the house of his generous benefactor to find all is not as it seems, and a series of disturbing events and an invitation lead him to a macabre discovery. For details see yesterday
6.30 The Casebook of Max and Ivan
It's New Year's Eve, but any plans for celebration are put on ice as incompetent private detectives Max and Ivan are tasked with investigating fearsome crime family matriarch Mama Shanks. Word on the street is that she has something big planned for this very evening, but, in a plot that takes in vaping, Andrew Lloyd Webber and 10,000 bees, can Max and Ivan find out what it going down before it is too late? Written by and starring Max Olesker and Ivan Gonzalez.

Max	**Max Olesker**	Narrator/ Malcolm McMichaelmas	**Lewis MacLeod**
Ivan	**Ivan Gonzalez**		
Mama Shanks	**Katherine Parkinson**	Lumpy	**Jessica Ransom**
		PC Gribble	**David Reed**

Producer Ben Walker
7.00 The Archers
It's New Year's Eve at the Bull and Helen is dressed to impress.
For cast see Friday 3 January Repeated tomorrow 2pm
7.15 Front Row
Stig Abell hosts a new-year arts quiz.
Producer Simon Richardson
7.45 My Life with Flu
2/5. Romantic drama by Sarah Woods. Jill receives a surprise visit from David just as she is about to marry John, and all her plans are thrown into turmoil.
For cast and details see yesterday (R)
8.00 Disagreeing Better
RT Douglas Alexander – Labour politician and former Cabinet member – argues for the importance of respectful debate.
Producer Rosamund Jones Repeated Sunday 5pm
8.40 In Touch
Peter White with news and information for the blind and partially sighted.
9.00 Welcome to the World of George the Poet
The spoken-word artist explains why rap music might have a more important role to play in education than people think.
Producer Anne Isger (R)
10.00 Pick of the Year
Repeated from Christmas Day 12.18pm
10.45 The Secret Commonwealth
7/10. Repeated from 12.04pm
11.00 Loose Ends Lounge
Clive Anderson and Nikki Bedi present musical performances from *Loose Ends* in 2019, including Will Young and Joan Armatrading.
Producers Sukey Firth and Suzy Roylance
12.00 News
12.15am Living Memory
5/5. **Cope and Carry On!** *The Archers'* June Spencer, who turned 100 this year, talks about her life. The actress has played Peggy Woolley in the soap since its inception in 1950.
Producers Hannah Dean and Alia Cassam (R)
12.30–12.45 Book of the Week: Unreliable Memoirs ***2/5.*** Rptd from 9.45am
1.00 as BBC World Service

BBC Radio 4 Extra

DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4extra
Freeview 708 **Freesat** 708 **Sky** 0131 **Virgin** 910
6.00am One, Two, Buckle My Shoe (2/5)
6.30 When Harry Met Sooty as 8.30pm
7.00 A Month of June as 5pm
7.30 The Tim Vine Chat Show Comedy chat
8.00 The Goon Show 1954 comedy
8.30 Round the Horne 1967 comedy
9.00 Dead Ringers Comedy impressions (3/3)
9.30 Stilgoe's Around Comedy
10.00 Little Dorrit as 3pm
11.00 Telling Tales Review of books released in 2019
12.00 The Goon Show 1954 comedy
12.30pm Round the Horne as 7.30pm
1.00 One, Two, Buckle My Shoe (2/5)
1.30 When Harry Met Sooty as 8.30pm
2.00 Sweet Caress Fictional autobiography (2/10)
2.15 The Hidden Henry 2009 (2/5)
2.30 Northanger Abbey By Jane Austen (7/10)
2.45 Schubert's Winter Journey (2/5)
3.00 Little Dorrit Ian McKellen narrates Doug Lucie's dramatisation of Charles Dickens's 1850s novel, starring Julian Wadham, Margaret Tyzack, Jasmine Hyde and John Wood. From 2001 (2/5)
4.00 Jest a Minute Comedy quiz (1/6)
4.30 Kalangadog Junction 2017 comedy (6/6)
5.00 A Month of June Second of four comedies with June Whitfield (1925–2018). In Andy Merriman and Alison Joseph's *Lost and Found*, a retired politician agrees to take part in reality TV show *Lolly in the Loft*. With Marcia Warren, Ella Smith and others
5.30 The Tim Vine Chat Show Comedy chat
6.00 Doctor Who – Serpent Crest
Tom Baker stars in Paul Magrs's sci-fi adventure *The Hexford Invasion*, in which the Fourth Doctor gets his Tardis back and Mike Yates turns up with someone claiming to be the Second Doctor. From 2017 (1/2)
6.30 Pioneers Clare English chats to Alec Jeffreys, who discusses the moment in 1984 when he discovered DNA fingerprinting – a breakthrough that has since turned into a global phenomenon (2/5)
7.00 The Goon Show 1954 comedy
7.30 Round the Horne 1967 camp classic with Kenneth Horne, Hugh Paddick and Kenneth Williams
8.00 One, Two, Buckle My Shoe Mystery (2/5)
8.30 When Harry Met Sooty Comedian Jack Dee tells the rags-to-riches story of Sooty. From 1998
9.00 Telling Tales Book reviews.
10.00–12.00 Comedy Club: The Tim Vine Chat Show at **10.30 Armstrong and Miller** (4/4), at **10.45 Crème de la Crime** (1/4), at **11.00 Vent** (2/6), and at **11.30 Alex Horne Presents the Horne Section New Year**
12.00 as 6pm **12.30am** as 6.30pm **1.00** as 8pm **1.30** as 8.30pm **2.00** as 2pm **2.15** as 2.15pm **2.30** as 2.30pm **2.45** as 2.45pm **3.00** as 3pm **4.00** as 4pm **4.30** as 4.30pm **5.00** as 5pm **5.30** as 5.30pm

BBC World Service

DAB bbc.co.uk/worldserviceradio
Freeview* 710 **Freesat** 711 **Sky** 0115 **Virgin** 906
Programmes may differ online, and on Freesat, Sky, and Virgin
5.00am News **5.05** The Newsroom **5.30** Discovery **6.00** Newsday **8.30** Business Daily **8.50** Witness History **9.00** News **9.05** The Arts Hour: Holiday Comedy **10.00** World Update **11.00** The Newsroom **11.30 CHOICE:** In the Studio **Festive highlights: pages 248–249 12.00** News **12.05pm** Outlook: perspectives on important issues **12.50** Witness History **1.00** The Newsroom **1.30** The Documentary **2.00** Newshour: the stories behind the latest headlines **3.00** News **3.05** People Fixing the World **3.30** World Business Report **4.00** BBC OS **6.00** News **6.05** Outlook: perspectives on important issues **6.50** Witness History **7.00** News **7.05** The Newsroom **7.30** Sport Today **8.00** News **8.05** People Fixing the World **8.30** Digital Planet **9.00** Newshour **10.00** News **10.05** The Newsroom **10.20** Sports News **10.30** World Business Report **11.00** News **11.05** The Documentary **11.30 CHOICE:** In the Studio **Festive highlights: pages 248–249 12.00** News **12.05am** The Arts Hour: Holiday Comedy **1.00** News **1.05** Business Matters **2.00** News **2.05** The Newsroom **2.30** The Documentary **3.00** News **3.05** Outlook **3.50** Witness History **4.00** News **4.05** Hardtalk **4.30** The Compass

BBC Radio 5 Live

693, 909 MW DAB bbc.co.uk/fivelive
F'view 705 **F'sat** 705 **Sky** 0105 **Virgin** 905
Sports Extra F'view 706 **F'sat** 706
Sky 0144 **Virgin** 908
News and **sport** as yesterday
5.00am Morning Reports
5.15 Wake Up to Money
Financial news stories.
6.00 5 Live Breakfast
Nicky Campbell and Clare McDonnell present news from the UK and around the world. At **9.00 Your Call** in which Nicky Campbell invites listeners' calls on the day's big story.

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
8.00am–12.30pm Cricket
Adelaide Strikers v Sydney Thunder.

10.00 Chris Warburton
1.00pm Nihal Arthanayake
4.00 5 Live Drive
7.00 5 Live Sport
A preview of all of the big New Year's Day football matches. With input from former footballer Pat Nevin and *Telegraph* chief football correspondent Jason Burt.
8.00 The Hurricane Tapes
Edited version of the BBC World Service podcast series, with Steve Crossman detailing the wrongful triple murder convictions of boxer Rubin "Hurricane" Carter. (R
10.00 Headliners
Music from Nihal Arthanayake's podcast, with sets by Aurora, Editors, Lewis Capaldi and Richard Hawley. (R)
11.00 Geoff Lloyd
1.00am Blood on the Tracks
Two episodes of the podcast in which Colin Murray invites four guests who are music obsessives to debate the merits of various tracks. With music by Abba, Miley Cyrus, Drake, New Order and Oasis in the first hour, and Amy Winehouse, the Drifters, Stormzy, Kendrick Lamar and Bruce Springsteen in the second. (R)
3.00 How Do You Cope?
Elis James and John Robins talk to guests about the challenges and hurdles they've faced in life.

Talksport

1053, 1089 MW DAB talksport.co.uk
F'view 723 **F'sat** 731 **Sky** 0108 **Virgin** 927
6.00am Sports Breakfast
Presented by Alan Brazil.
10.00 Mid-Morning
1.00pm Max Rushden
4.00 Drive
7.00 Your Verdict
9.00 Hawksbee and Jacobs
Clips of the Year
1.00am Extra Time With Paul Ross.
5.00 Early Breakfast

LBC

97.3 FM (London area) DAB lbc.co.uk
F'view 732 **F'sat** 734 **Sky** 0124 **Virgin** 919
7.00am Nick Ferrari
10.00 James O'Brien
1.00pm Shelagh Fogarty
4.00 Eddie Mair
6.00 Nigel Farage
7.00 Iain Dale
10.00 Tom Swarbrick
1.00am Darren Adam
4.00 Steve Allen

Asian Network

DAB bbc.co.uk/asiannetwork
F'view 709 **F'sat** 709 **Sky** 0119 **Virgin** 912
6.00am Panjabi Hit Squad
Bollywood and bhangra anthems.
9.00 Asian Network's Decade in Music Music from 2010 onwards.
7.00pm DJ Manara
9.00 Asian Network in the Mix
11.00 AJD
12.30am Asian Network Playlists
1.00 Annie Nightingale
The biggest bass bangers.
3.00 1Xtra Mixes
4.00 Jamz Supernova Neo-R&B.

*Not available on Freeview in Scotland 4pm–1am. **Key** (R) Repeat

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New Year's Day

Today's Choices



Wham! The Music That Made Us
12 noon ***Radio 2***

Andrew Ridgeley may be best known as one half of pop duo Wham! but in May 2019 he also debuted as a Radio 2 DJ, spinning his favourite 80s tracks in a two-hour Bank Holiday special. Ridgeley now returns to the airwaves for a similar if more candid look at the music that meant the most to himself and George Michael growing up, playing a selection of tracks from such Wham! influencers as Elton John and Elvis Presley, to more surprising choices such as Joy Division. A fitting tribute to his late bandmate. **TOM GOULDING**

Jeeves Live!
11.30am ***Radio 4***

There's a certain swagger to the step of Bertie Wooster's grossly overweight middle-aged Uncle George. In a rare moment of insight, Bertie correctly guesses that love is in the air. Unfortunately for the Wooster family's reputation, the object of George's desire is a young waitress at his club, and the fearsome Aunt Agatha is not pleased. Enter Jeeves to save the day. Martin Jarvis's ability to switch voices at high speed beggars belief and the laughs come at a rapid-fire rate. **JANE ANDERSON**

BEST OF THE REST...

There's nothing like the **New Year's Day Concert from Vienna** *(10.15am Radio 3)* for putting a spring in your step, but a mellower start to 2020 might be provided by **Cillian Murphy** *(9.30am 6 Music)*. Two hours of **That Peter Crouch Podcast** *(10.00am 5 Live)* should set up the New Year's Day football nicely, but if TS Eliot is more your bagpuss, there's **Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats** *(2.15pm Radio 4)*.

SUSAN BURGHART

BBC Radio 1

97.6–99.8 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio1
F'view* 700 **F'sat** 700 **Sky** 0101 **Virgin** 901

6.30am Matt Edmondson
10.00 Clara Amfo
1.00pm Scott Mills
4.00 Jordan North
7.00 Annie Mac
9.00 Reece Parkinson
11.00 Radio 1's Indie Show With Jack Saunders.
1.00am Benji B Future beats.
3.00 Radio 1's Chillout Anthems
4.00 Katie Thistleton

BBC Radio 2

88–90.2 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio2
F'view* 702 **F'sat** 702 **Sky** 0102 **Virgin** 902

5.00am Grace Dent
6.30 Nicki Chapman
9.30 Ken Bruce Music, chat and features including after **11.30 Tracks of My Years,** with comedian Milton Jones discussing two more records of personal significance, featuring one by the Police and one by Lionel Richie.
12.00 Wham! The Music That Made Us RT Three years after the death of singer/songwriter George Michael, Andrew Ridgeley looks back on the music that influenced his and Michael's 1980s chart-conquering partnership Wham! The eclectic playlist includes Elvis Presley, Joy Division, Elton John, the Specials and the Sugarhill Gang. Producer Phil McGarvey
2.00pm Craig Charles
5.00 Joe Lycett
7.00 They Think It's All Over On one of the busiest sporting days of the year, cricket commentator Mark Nicholas reviews 2019's sporting achievements and musical moments. He's joined by England's cricket World Cup-winning captain Eoin Morgan and Keane frontman Tom Chaplin, with input by Ben Stokes, Danielle Wyatt, runner Dina Asher and more. Plus Gary Lineker and Mike Williams. Producer Mark Simpson
10.00 Trevor Nelson's Rhythm Nation
12.00 OJ Borg
3.00am Pick of the Pops Paul Gambaccini counts down pop charts from this week in 1975 and 1984, when the Top 20s included David Bowie, Greg Lake, Mud, Wham!, Frankie Goes to Hollywood, Murray Head and many more. (R)

BBC 6 Music

DAB bbc.co.uk/6music
Freeview 707 **Freesat** 707 **Sky** 0120 **Virgin** 909

7.30am Nemone
9.30 Cillian Murphy RT The *Peaky Blinders* star presents a specially curated playlist to help soothe the excesses of New Year's Eve. He's joined by Anna Calvi and Kate Tempest.
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1.00pm DJ Shadow
4.00 Huw Stephens
7.00 Tom Ravenscroft New music and archive recordings.
9.00 Gideon Coe Wistful tracks from the BBC archives.
12.00 6 Music Recommends Mary Anne Hobbs with another chance to hear Sunn O))) in session.
1.00am Overnight Documentary
2.00 Overnight Documentary
2.30 Live Hour The Psychedelic Furs in 1980 and the Style Council at Goldiggers in Chippenham in 1984.
3.30 Jukebox New tracks.
5.00 Chris Hawkins

BBC Radio 3

90.2–92.4 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio3
Freeview* 703 **Freesat** 703 **Sky** 0103 **Virgin** 903
News and **weather** as Monday 30 December

6.30am Breakfast With Georgia Mann.
9.00 Essential Classics With Suzy Klein.
9.30 Listeners' suggestions for the playlist.
10.50 Olivier-winning actress Harriet Walter shares her cultural inspirations.
11.10 Further tributes to musicians who died in 2019.
10.15 New Year's Day Concert from Vienna RT Live from the Musikverein in Vienna, the annual celebratory concert of waltzes, polkas and marches in the Viennese tradition. With Petroc Trelawney.
Vienna PO, conductor Andris Nelsons
Ziehrer *Overture: Die Landstreicher*
Josef Strauss *Liebesgrüsse, Op 56; Liechtenstein-Marsch, Op 36*
J Strauss (son) *Blumenfest Polk, Op 111; Wo die Zitronen blühen, Op 364*
E Strauss *Knall und Fall, Op 132*
Interval Gavin Plumley explores what the Treaty of Trianon, the peace treaty of 4 June 1920, meant for Austria and Austrians.
Suppé *Overture: Leichte Kavallerie*
Josef Strauss *Cupido, Op 81*
J Strauss (son) *Seid umschlungen, Millionen!, Op 443*
E Strauss, arr Dorner *Eisblüme, Op 55*
J Hellmesberger (son) *Gavotte Hans Christian*
Lumbye, arr Dorner *Postillon-Galopp, Op 16 No 2*
Beethoven *12 Contredanses, WoO 14 (selection)*
J Strauss (son) *Freut euch des Lebens, Op 340; Tritsch-Tratsch-Polka, Op 214*
Josef Strauss *Dynamiden, Op 173*
1.00pm Sound of Gaming Jessica Curry plays a selection of video-game music, picks some of her favourite games and soundtracks from the past year and tries to predict the biggest scores of 2020.
2.00 Afternoon Concert Tom McKinney continues today's Viennese theme in celebration of the new year.
Vienna Symphony Orchestra, conductor Lahav Shani (piano)
Weber *Overture: Oberon*
Beethoven *Piano Concerto No 4 in G*
Schumann *Symphony No 1 in B flat (Spring)*
3.30 Choral Evensong Recorded in August at St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, with the Charles Wood Singers and Ulster Orchestra. Introit: A New Year Carol (Britten). Hymn: It Came upon the Midnight Clear (Noel). Reading: Psalm 96. Magnificat: Stanford in B flat. Poem: Old and New Year Ditties (Christina Rossetti). Anthem: Love Bade Me Welcome (Vaughan Williams). Reading: Revelation 21, vv1–7. Carol: Bethlehem Down (Warlock). Poem: Ring Out, Wild Bells (Alfred Lord Tennyson). Anthem: In terra pax (Finzi). Voluntary: Pomp and Circumstance March in G, Op 39 No 4 (Elgar). Director of music David Hill. Reader Anne Hailes.
Repeated Sunday 3pm

Scala Radio

DAB scalaradio.co.uk Sky 0216

6.00am In the Park – a New Year's Day Special Peaceful music with natural soundscapes and birdsong.
10.00 Jamie Crick Classical music.
1.00pm Sam Hughes Popular classical works.
4.00 Mark Forrest With an eclectic playlist.
7.00 Alexis Ffrench: the Best of 2019 With a pick of the year's new classical and classically-inspired music, including compositions by Richard Harvey, Devonte Hynes, AVA and Manu Delago and recordings by Nelson Freire and Brooklyn Rider. (R)
9.00 The Space Nonstop atmospheric music.
10.00 Hannah Cox With classical **Love Stories**.
1.00am Night Music Nonstop classical music

Absolute Radio

DAB absoluteradio.co.uk
F'view 727 **F'sat** 724 **Sky** 0107 **Virgin** 915

6.00am Ben Burrell 1.00pm Jay Lawrence
4.00 Claire Sturgess 7.00 Danielle Perry
10.00 The Music Differences Andy Bush takes a sideways look at bust-ups and break-ups in the music industry **11.00 Parklife 25** A 25th-anniversary spotlight on Blur's 1994 album. First broadcast in April (R)
12.00 Time To Listen 1.00am Chris Martin

4.30 New Generation Artists Kate Molleson introduces young musicians new to the scheme this year.
Handel *Chaconne, HWV435* Eric Lu (piano)
Stenhammer *Two Sentimental Romances, Op 28* Johan Dalene (violin), Nicola Eimer (piano)
Trad Macedonian *Jovano Jovanke*
Barber *A Green Lowland of Pianos*
Schubert *Auf dem Wasser zu Singen* Ema Nikolovska (mezzo), Jonathan Ware (piano)
Glinka *Viola Sonata in D minor* Timothy Ridout, Artur Pizarro (piano)
Chopin *Piano Sonata in B flat minor, Op 35* Eric Lu
Rob Luft *Snow Country; Synaesthesia* Rob Luft (electric guitar), Joe Wright (tenor sax), Tom McCredie (bass guitar), Corrie Dick (drums), Joe Webb (keyboards)
6.15 Words and Music Julie Hesmondhalgh and Joan Iyiola read poetry and prose on the theme of where we come from and what becomes of us, including extracts from Mary Shelley, Dickens and Samuel Beckett as well as a poetic lament for her homeland by a young Syrian migrant accompanied by an equally young Palestinian musician, and music by Rebel and Finzi. (R)
7.30 BBC Proms 2019 Recorded at the Royal Albert Hall, London. Presented by Tom Service.
Berlioz *Benvenuto Cellini*

Benvenuto Cellini	**Michael Spyres** (Tenor)
Teresa	**Sophia Burgos** (Soprano)
Balducci	**Matthew Rose** (Bass)
Pope Clement VII	**Tareq Nazmi** (Bass)
Francesco	**Krystian Adam** (Tenor)
Fieramosca	**Lionel Lhote** (Baritone)
Ascanio	**Adèle Charvet** (Mezzo)
Bernardino	**Ashley Riches** (Baritone)

Monteverdi Choir, Orchestre Révolutionnaire et Romantique, conductor John Eliot Gardiner
Including at **8.55 Interval** Historian and broadcaster Sarah Lenton talks about *Benvenuto Cellini*. (R)
11.00 Night Tracks With Sarah Mohr-Pietsch. (R)
12.30am Through the Night With Jonathan Swain. **Dowland** *Go Crystal Tears; Fantasia No 4; Now, o Now I Needs Must Part; Go Nightly Cares; Sorrow Come* **Ward** *Fantasia No 3* **Dowland** *Piece without title; Sir John Smith His Almain* **1.00 Johnson/Byrd/Bennett** *Three songs* **Johnson/Mando/Dowland/Ferrabosco/Anon/Mico** *Ten pieces* Andreas Scholl (countertenor), Julien Behr (lute), Concerto di Viole **1.44 Caldara** *Medea in Corinto* **1.59 Bruhns** *Ich liege und schlafe* **2.13 Purcell** *Rejoice in the Lord Alway, Z49 (Bell Anthem)* **2.21 Bach** *Mass in B minor, BWV232 (excerpts)* **2.31 Philip Glass** *Violin Concerto No 1* **2.57 Schumann** *Symphony No 2 in C* **3.33 Whitehead** *The Lord Is My Shepherd* **3.39 Haydn** *Keyboard Sonata No 52 in E Flat, H XVI 52* **3.59 Dvorak** *Allegro appassionato (Four Romantic Pieces, Op 75)* **4.02 Naumann** *Symphonie à grand orchestre de l'opera Cora, Op 3 No 1* **4.14 Handel** *Lascia la spina (Il trionfo del tempo e del disinganno)* **4.22 Gluck** *Dance of the Blessed Spirits (Orfeo ed Euridice)* **4.25 Tailleferre** *Arabesque* **4.31 Purcell** *Abdelazer (excerpts)* **4.35 Handel** *Aure, deh, per pieta (Giulio Cesare)* **4.43 Mozart** *Bassoon Concerto in B flat, K191* **5.01 Browne** *O Maria salvatoris mater* **5.15 Debussy** *Tarantelle styrienne* **5.22 Parker** *A Northern Ballad* **5.36 Myslivecek** *String Quintet No 2 in E flat* **5.47 Escher** *Le Vrai Visage de la paix* **5.59 Wieniawski** *Piano Concerto in G minor, Op 20*

Classic FM

99.9–101.9 FM DAB classicfm.com
Freeview 731 **Freesat** 721 **Sky** 0106 **Virgin** 922

6.00am More Music Breakfast Sam Pittis with classical music and news.
10.00 The Classic FM Chart of the Century On the first day of a new decade, Classic FM looks back over the past 20 years and counts down the bestselling classical albums of the century – and, indeed, the millennium – so far. There are several platinum-selling recordings in contention for the number one spot including British tenor Russell Watson's 2000 debut album *The Voice*, New Zealand soprano Hayley Westenra's 2003 international debut *Pure* and global star Andrea Bocelli's 2003 album *Sentimento*, plus the soundtracks for *Gladiator* (2000) – with music by Hans Zimmer and Lisa Gerrard – and *The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring* (2001), with a score by Howard Shore. John Suchet kicks off the proceedings, which continue throughout the day. Catherine Bott takes over at **2.00pm**, then at **6.00** John Brunning, who concludes the rundown.
10.00 Smooth Classics Presented by Karthi Gnanasegaram.
1.00am Bob Jones Night-time music.



BBC Radio 4

92.4–94.6 FM 198 LW DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4
Freeview 704 **Freesat** 704 (FM) 710 (LW)
Sky 0104 (FM) 0143 (LW) **Virgin** 904 (FM) 911 (LW)
News, weather and **shipping forecasts** as Monday 30 December; no weather at 5.57am

5.30am News Briefing
5.43 Prayer for the Day
With Bishop John Inge, the Bishop of Worcester.
5.45 Farming Today
5.58 Tweet of the Day
Song Thrush – Winter. David Attenborough introduces the sound of the song thrush. (R)
6.00 Today
With Martha Kearney and Sarah Smith.
6.25, 7.25, 8.25 Sports News
7.48 Thought for the Day
9.00 Positive Thinking
3/5. The third of five programmes that explore new and innovative solutions to problems as varied as waste, rats and re-offending. Repeated 9.30pm
9.30 Four Thought
Ashley Hickson-Lovence says his powerful mother and his love of reading kept him out of gangs while growing up on an estate in East London. As a former English teacher and now a novelist, he believes that black boys, in particular, need books that engage them by reflecting their own lives. Recorded at the Primadonna literary and arts festival and presented by Farrah Jarral.
Producer Sheila Cook Repeated 8.45pm
9.45 *FM* **Book of the Week: Unreliable Memoirs**
3/5. Clive James reads the first part of his autobiography, covering his early life in Australia. For details see Mon 30 Dec Rptd 12.30am
9.45 *LW* **Daily Service**
Led by David Waters. Psalm 23; In Heavenly Love Abiding (*Penlan*); See Him Lying in a Bed of Straw (*Calypso Carol*); Lead Us Heavenly, Father Lead Us (*Mannheim*).
10.00 Woman's Hour With Jenni Murray.
10.41 Charlotte and Lillian *3/5*
The *15-Minute Drama* by Holly Walsh and Kat Sommers. Charlotte has met a new man, prompting Lillian to offer her best dating advice.
For cast and details see Monday 30 December (R)
10.55 The Listening Project
Presented by Fi Glover.
11.00 Who Will Call Me Beloved?
Tania Hershman is single, lives alone and likes it that way. She's the writer-in-residence at one of Europe's largest graveyards, the Southern Cemetery, a multi-faith burial site in Manchester. As she walks between the gravestones, watching the seasons change, she wonders – who will call her "beloved" when she dies? And would she want someone to? How would she like to be remembered in language, if at all?
Producer Faith Lawrence (R)
11.30 Jeeves Live!
RT ***1/2.*** **Indian Summer of an Uncle**
Martin Jarvis performs comic classics at the Orange Tree Theatre in Richmond, south-west London. Director Rosalind Ayres
12.04pm The Secret Commonwealth
8/10. Simon Russell Beale reads from the second volume of Philip Pullman's *The Book of Dust* trilogy. An interrogation leads to a deadly discovery.
For details see Monday 30 December Repeated 10.45pm
12.18 You and Yours
1.00 The World at One With Jonny Dymond.
1.45 Could an Ancient Athenian Fix Britain?
3/5. **How Much is Too Much?**
Jon Harvey explores modern British democracy through an ancient Athenian lens. For details see Monday 30 December
2.00 The Archers Repeated from yesterday 7pm
2.15 Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats
On Christmas Day 1937, nearly two years before book publication, five of TS Eliot's *Practical Cats* poems were broadcast on BBC radio. Here Jeremy Irons reads those five as well as 10 more. Featuring much-loved feline characters including Growltiger, Mungojerrie, Rumpleteaser, Old Deuteronomy, Macavity Gus, Mr Mistoffelees, and Skimbleshanks, all of them showing another side to the poet more commonly associated with *The Waste Land*. First broadcast on Christmas Day 2015.
Producer Sue Roberts (R)
3.00 Neil Gaiman and the BBC Symphony Orchestra
Shortened rpt from Monday 23 December 7.30pm Radio 3
Festive Highlights: pages 248–249
4.00 The Quietest New Year on Earth
Black-clad security men stalk the streets hunting down people making noise and silencing them. No music, no laughter, no engines, no computer games. Niall Macaulay reports on Bali's annual Nyepi traditions, which involve the Indonesian island marking the New Year by falling silent for 24 hours. It's a day to fool evil spirits into believing that everyone has gone and that their work is done. Producer Sara Jane Hall (R)
4.30 The Media Show With Amol Rajan.
5.00 PM With Carolyn Quinn.
6.00 Six o'Clock News
6.15 Ghost Stories from Ambridge
3/3. On a biting December night, in the darkened attic of Lower Loxley, Jim Lloyd enthrals an assembly of Ambridge residents with three chilling ghost stories from the turn of the last century. WW Jacobs's 1902 tale *The Monkey's Paw* follows a family who dare to direct their future when they wish upon a bewitched monkey's paw. Will they meet their fate or fortune? For details see Mon 30 December
6.30 The Missing Hancocks
3/8. **The Counterfeiter.** Missing episodes from the classic radio comedy by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson. Hancock is fed up with Bill Kerr spending all day in bed. Starring Kevin McNally, Kevin Eldon, Simon Greenall, Robin Sebastian, Margaret Cabourn-Smith and Paul Merton. Producers Neil Pearson and Hayley Sterling
7.00 The Archers
Kenton despairs and Jim is feeling green.
For cast see Friday 3 January Rptd tomorrow 2pm
7.15 Front Row
John Wilson kicks off Beethoven's 250th anniversary year with a special celebration involving Stephen Hough at the piano, conductor Simon Rattle, and poet Ruth Padel.
Producer Timothy Prosser
7.45 My Life with Flu
3/5. By Sarah Woods. As she heads home for Christmas in 1986, Jill has a life-changing decision to make – unaware that she is carrying the Hong Kong flu virus.
For cast and details see Monday 30 December (R)
8.00 The Spark
3/4. Helen Lewis meets writers and thinkers who are breaking new ground. Tonight, she is with the Nobel-winning economist Paul Krugman, who believes there are myths that must be swept away to get us beyond our current predicament.
Producer Phil Tinline Repeated Saturday 10.15pm
8.45 Four Thought
Rptd from 9.30am Rptd Saturday 4 January 5.45am
9.00 Josie Long's Gambit
Repeated from Sunday 29 December 1.30pm
9.30 Positive Thinking Repeated from 9am
10.00 The World Tonight With Paul Henley.
10.45 The Secret Commonwealth
8/10. Repeated from 12.04pm
11.00 My Brilliant Life
Alistair McGowan stars in a comedy about a man who spends his life on the road, daydreaming about the brilliant life that he has never had. Producer Liz Anstee
11.15 Bunk Bed
6/6. Peter Curran and Patrick Marber share nocturnal musing, as they discuss embarrassing professional blunders, the meaning of the term "hackneyed", the sadness of Chas and Dave, and Peter's horror at his tally of 7,000 interviews. Producer Peter Curran (R)
11.30 James Veitch's Contractual Obligation
1/3. **Mindfulness.** Another series in which the comedian tries to discover more about the modern world. Can mindfulness help him create a new factual podcast format?
Producer Laurence Grissell (R)
12.00 News
12.30–12.45 Book of the Week: Unreliable Memoirs *3/5.* Rptd from 9.45am
1.00 as BBC World Service

BBC Radio 4 Extra

DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4extra
Freeview 708 **Freesat** 708 **Sky** 0131 **Virgin** 910
6.00am One, Two, Buckle My Shoe (3/5)
6.30 AL Kennedy: Holding Hands as 8.30pm
7.00 Electric Ink as 5pm
7.30 The Missing Hancocks Comedy
8.00 Hancock's Half Hour 1956 comedy
8.30 Lines from My Grandfather's Forehead
9.00 The Rest Is History as 4pm
9.30 An Actor's Life for Me Series two of the Radio 2 sitcom by Paul Mayhew-Archer, starring John Gordon Sinclair as an aspiring actor. With Caroline Quentin. From 1990 (3/6)
10.00 Little Dorrit as 3pm
11.00 Sue Perkins's Christmas Comedy Stocking
12.00 Hancock's Half Hour 1956 comedy
12.30pm Lines from My Grandfather's Forehead
1.00 One, Two, Buckle My Shoe (3/5)
1.30 AL Kennedy: Holding Hands as 8.30pm
2.00 Sweet Caress By William Boyd (3/10)
2.15 The Hidden Henry 2009 series (3/5)
2.30 Northanger Abbey By Jane Austen (8/10)
2.45 Schubert's Winter Journey (3/5)
3.00 Little Dorrit Ian McKellen narrates Doug Lucie's dramatisation of Charles Dickens's 1850s novel, starring Julian Wadham, Margaret Tyzack, Jasmine Hyde and John Wood. From 2001 (3/5)
4.00 The Rest Is History Comedic discussion led by Frank Skinner. Recently broadcast on Radio 4 (1/6)
4.30 An Actor's Life for Me as 9.30am
5.00 Electric Ink Robert Lindsay, Alex Jennings and Elizabeth Berrington star in Alistair Beaton's 2009 satire set in the changing world of the newspaper industry. With additional material by Tom Mitchelson. From 2009 (3/6)
5.30 The Missing Hancocks Comedy
6.00 Doctor Who – Serpent Crest Tom Baker stars in Paul Magrs's *The Hexford Invasion* (2/2)
6.30 The Palace of Laughter Geoffrey Wheeler visits the nation's variety halls, continuing with London's Alhambra Theatre (1854–1936), once the pride of Leicester Square (5/6)
7.00 Hancock's Half Hour 1956 comedy
7.30 Lines from My Grandfather's Forehead
8.00 One, Two, Buckle My Shoe Mystery (3/5)
8.30 AL Kennedy: Holding Hands
The Scottish author explores the social, cultural and emotional significance attached to holding hands
9.00 Sue Perkins's Christmas Comedy Stocking Comedy (3/3)
10.00–12.00 Comedy Club: The Missing Hancocks, at **10.30 The Lawrence Sweeney Mix** (1/4), at **11.00 Clare in the Community** (5/6), and at **11.30 Absolute Power** (2/6)
12.00 as 6pm **12.30am** as 6.30pm **1.00** as 8pm **1.30** as 8.30pm **2.00** as 2pm **2.15** as 2.15pm **2.30** as 2.30pm **2.45** as 2.45pm **3.00** as 3pm **4.00** as 4pm **4.30** as 4.30pm **5.00** as 5pm **5.30** as 5.30pm

BBC World Service

DAB bbc.co.uk/worldserviceradio
Freeview* 710 **Freesat** 711 **Sky** 0115 **Virgin** 906
Programmes may differ online, and on Freesat, Sky, and Virgin
5.00am News **5.05** The Newsroom **5.30** Digital: the latest developments in digital communication Planet **6.00** Newsday **8.30** Business Daily **8.50** Witness History **9.00** News **9.05** The Documentary **10.00** World Update **11.00** The Newsroom **11.30** The Documentary **12.00** News **12.05pm** Outlook **12.50** Witness History **1.00** The Newsroom **1.30** The Compass **2.00** Newshour **3.00** News **3.05** Hardtalk **3.30** World Business Report **4.00** BBC OS **6.00** News **6.05** Outlook **6.50** Witness History **7.00** News **7.05** The Newsroom **7.30** Sport Today **8.00** News **8.05** Hardtalk **8.30** Healthcheck: health issues and medical breakthroughs from around the world **9.00** Newshour: the stories behind the latest headlines **10.00** News **10.05** The Newsroom **10.20** Sports News **10.30** World Business Report:informed analysis **11.00** News **11.05** The Compass **11.30** The Documentary **12.00** News **12.05am** The Documentary **1.00** News **1.05** Business Matters **2.00** News **2.05** The Newsroom **2.30** The Documentary **3.00** News **3.05** Outlook: perspectives on important issues **3.50** Witness History **4.00** News **4.05** The Inquiry: the trends, forces and ideas shaping the world **4.30** The Food Chain

BBC Radio 5 Live

693, 909 MW DAB bbc.co.uk/fivelive
F'view 705 **F'sat** 705 **Sky** 0105 **Virgin** 905
Sports Extra F'view 706 **F'sat** 706
Sky 0144 **Virgin** 908
News and **sport** as Mon 30 December
5.00am Fit and Fearless
6.00 Wake Up to Money
A look at the state of the high street.
7.00 5 Live Breakfast
Presented by Nicky Campbell and Clare McDonnell. At **9.00 Your Call**.

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
8.00am–12.30pm Cricket
Brisbane Heat v Perth Scorchers, commentary on the Big Bash match from Metricon Stadium, Carrara.

10.00 That Peter Crouch Podcast
Four episodes of the podcast in which Peter Crouch gives Chris Stark and Tom Fordyce an insight into how to be a footballer, starting with fitness and training. At **10.30** Crouchy reveals what it takes to convert a spot-kick under pressure. The **11.00** episode takes place inside a dressing room and includes a look at players' toilet etiquette, followed at **11.30** by revelations about certain players who butter up referees.
12.00 5 Live Sport
Steve Crossman presents sports news and coverage including build-up to today's football and, from **12.30pm**, updates from Brighton and Hove Albion v Chelsea and Burnley v Aston Villa. Guests include former footballers Alan Shearer and Dion Dublin. From **3.00** there are updates from across today's 3.00 football kick-offs in the Premier League – including Newcastle United v Leicester City, Southampton v Tottenham Hotspur and Watford v Wolverhampton Wanderers – and in Leagues One and Two and the Scottish Premiership. And at **5.00 Sports Report**, with updates from Manchester City v Everton, Norwich City v Crystal Palace and West Ham United v Bournemouth.
6.00pm 6-0-6 Football phone-in.
8.00 5 Live Sport
Reaction to today's games, plus Premier League updates on Arsenal v Manchester United (**8.00** kick-off).
10.30 Geoff Lloyd
1.00am Up All Night

Talksport

1053, 1089 MW DAB talksport.co.uk
F'view 723 **F'sat** 731 **Sky** 0108 **Virgin** 927
6.00am Sports Breakfast
9.00 GameDay Warm Up
11.00 GameDay New Year's Day Exclusive At **12.30pm** Brighton v Chelsea, at **5.30** Man City v Everton, at **8.00** Arsenal v Manchester United.
10.00 Sports Bar
1.00am Extra Time
5.00 Early Breakfast

LBC

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F'view 732 **F'sat** 734 **Sky** 0124 **Virgin** 919
7.00am Nick Ferrari
10.00 James O'Brien
1.00pm Shelagh Fogarty
4.00 Eddie Mair
6.00 Nigel Farage
7.00 Iain Dale
10.00 Tom Swarbrick
1.00am Darren Adam
4.00 Steve Allen Topical musings.

Asian Network

DAB bbc.co.uk/asiannetwork
F'view 709 **F'sat** 709 **Sky** 0119 **Virgin** 912
6.00am Panjabi Hit Squad
10.00 Waqas Saeed
1.00pm Haroon Rashid
4.00 Yasser British-Asian music.
7.00 Bobby Friction New music.
10.00 Big Comedy Night
12.00 Mixtape Series
12.30am Asian Network Playlists
1.00 Benji B 3.00 1Xtra Mixes

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THURSDAY Radio

Today's Choices



The End of the World Has Already Happened

11.30am ***Radio 4***

The effects of climate change can already be seen, so why is it so difficult for people to engage with it? In this three-part documentary, philosopher Timothy Morton makes it personal – suggesting that each and every one of us can make a difference by moderating our consumption of resources, be that the car on our driveway or the lights in our home. With contributions from psychotherapist Caroline Hickman, journalist Amy Westervelt and environmentalists George Monbiot and Hilton Kelley, Morton makes a compelling case that we each have the power to change our future.

CLAIRE HOLLINGSWORTH

Drama: Eight Point Nine Nine

2.15pm ***Radio 4***

This worryingly plausible drama imagines the state of athletics, were doping to be made legal. Presented documentary-style, we hear the boundaries of science being pushed, thanks to the controversial Project Hermes, the mission of which was to train a sprinter to run the 100m in under nine seconds (the current legal world record is Usain Bolt's 9.58 sec). But at what cost to those who sign up? Expect ethical dilemmas to be explored and questions asked about the possible future of sport. Former *Doctor Who* companion Samuel Anderson stars alongside ex-*EastEnders*' Clare Perkins. **DAVID BROWN**

BEST OF THE REST...

Rick Astley's never going to give us up, which is great news when the musical wallow is as much fun as it is in **Rick Astley Rocks** (*7.00pm Radio 2*).

CHRIS COADY

BBC Radio 1

97.6–99.8 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio1
F'view* 700 **F'sat** 700 **Sky** 0101 **Virgin** 901

6.30am Matt Edmondson
10.00 Clara Amfo
Chat, interviews and music.
1.00pm Scott Mills
4.00 Jordan North
7.00 Annie Mac
9.00 Reece Parkinson
11.00 Radio 1's Indie Show
With Jack Saunders.
1.00am Toddla T
Bass, bounce and carnival vibes.
3.00 Radio 1's Chillout Anthems
4.00 Arielle Free

BBC Radio 2

88–90.2 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio2
F'view* 702 **F'sat** 702 **Sky** 0102 **Virgin** 902

5.00am Grace Dent
6.30 Nicki Chapman
Chat, pop music, texts and guests.
9.30 Ken Bruce
Gentle chat, music from Radio 2's current playlist and familiar radio hits of yesteryear. Plus features including the **PopMaster** music quiz and, after **11.30**, **Tracks of My Years**, with comedian Milton Jones discussing favourite records by Gerry Rafferty and U2.
Your RT Puzzles: page 287
12.00 Jeremy Vine
2.00pm Craig Charles
5.00 Joe Lycett
7.00 Rick Astley Rocks
A personally chosen playlist from the late-1980s chart superstar who in 2016 staged a big comeback. His choices include Primal Scream, the Clash, Kings of Leon, AC/DC, Arctic Monkeys and his friends and stage mates Foo Fighters.
Producer Mark Simpson
9.00 Trevor Nelson's Rhythm Nation
12.00 OJ Borg
3.00am Tracks of My Years
Omnibus edition of the daily feature from Ken Bruce's morning show in which a famous person shares ten of their favourite records of all time. Comedian Milton Jones discusses discs by Simon and Garfunkel, the Police, Soul II Soul, U2, Gerry Rafferty, Madness, Robbie Williams and others.
4.00 The Craig Charles House Party Mixtape Feature taken from Craig's Saturday show.
4.30 Huey Morgan's The Times of Our Lives Regular segment taken from Huey Morgan's Friday show.

BBC 6 Music

DAB bbc.co.uk/6music
Freeview 707 **Freesat** 707 **Sky** 0120 **Virgin** 909

7.30am Nemone
10.30 Tom Ravenscroft
With classic records and new music including live sessions.
1.00pm Shaun Keaveny
Indie music and laughs.
4.00 Steve Lamacq
New music, phone-ins and guests.
7.00 Marc Riley
New music including live sessions. Plus regular guest Rob Hughes.
9.00 Gideon Coe
Including sessions and concerts from the BBC archives.
12.00 6 Music Recommends
Steve Lamacq curates an hour of his favourite new music.
1.00am Overnight Documentary
2.00 Overnight Documentary
2.30 Live Hour Madness in 1989 and the Bees at the Auto Festival in Rotherham in 2002.
3.30 Jukebox Chris Hawkins with new tracks, sessions and indie classics.
5.00 Chris Hawkins Archive sets.

BBC Radio 3

90.2–92.4 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio3
Freeview* 703 **Freesat** 703 **Sky** 0103 **Virgin** 903
News and **weather** as Monday

6.30am Breakfast With Georgia Mann.
9.00 Essential Classics With Suzy Klein.
9.30 Listeners' suggestions for the playlist.
10.10 Musical Time Travellers Stories behind the music-making of the British Isles.
10.50 Harriet Walter shares her cultural inspirations.
11.10 Further tributes to musicians who died in 2019.
11.30 Slow Moment A short musical contemplation.
12.00 Composer of the Week: Tchaikovsky 3/4. Voluntary Exile. Donald Macleod traces Tchaikovsky's long period of wandering, in which he spent years away from Russia, seemingly compelled by a disordered, unreconciled personal life.
Pimpinella, Op 38 No 6
Anna Netrebko (soprano) Mariinsky Theatre Orchestra, conductor Valery Gergiev
orch Harnoy *Valse sentimentale,*
Ofra Harnoy (cello), LPO, conductor Charles Mackerras
Tchaikovsky *Violin Concerto in D*
Ray Chen, Swedish RSO, conductor Daniel Harding
Danse des polichinelles et des histrions (The Maid of Orleans) Royal Opera House Orchestra, conductor Colin Davis
Souvenir de Florence (1st and 2nd mvts)
Borodin Quartet (R)
1.00pm Radio 3 Lunchtime Concert
Further highlights from a 2018 recital series recorded at St George's Bristol. With Georgia Mann.
David Bruce *Gumboots*
Julian Bliss (clarinet), Carducci Quartet
Schumann *Kerner Lieder, Op 35*
Mark Padmore (tenor), Julius Drake (piano). (R)
2.00 Afternoon Concert
Opera Matinée. Continuing his new year celebration of music making from Vienna, Tom McKinney introduces a recording made last year at the Vienna State Opera of Adrian Noble's new production of Verdi's penultimate opera, the Shakespearean tragedy *Otello*.
Verdi *Otello*

Otello	**Aleksandrs Antonenko** (tenor)
Desdemona	**Olga Bezsmertna** (soprano)
Emilia	**Margarita Gritskova** (mezzo)
Iago	**Vladislav Sulimsky** (tenor)
Cassio	**Jinxu Xiahou** (tenor)
Roderigo	**Leonardo Navarro** (tenor)
Lodovico	**Jongmin Park** (bass)
Montano	**Manuel Walser** (bass)

Children of the Vienna State Opera School, Vienna State Opera Chorus, director Thomas Lang, Stage Orchestra of the Vienna State Opera, Vienna State Opera Orchestra, conductor Myung-Whun Chung
5.00 New Generation Artists
Kate Molleson presents a further showcase of the newest artists, plus a sneak preview of former NGA Simon Höfele's forthcoming recording of Haydn.
Liszt *Mazeppa (Études d'exécution transcendante)*
Scriabin *Feuillet d'album, Op 45 No 1; Poème in F sharp, Op 32 No 1; Étude in A flat, Op 8 No 8; Étude in C sharp minor, Op 42 No 5; Preludes, Op 16 (selection)* Alexander Gadjiev (piano)

Scala Radio

DAB scalaradio.co.uk Sky 0216

6.00am In the Park Calming sounds.
7.00 Charles Nove Vibrant and soothing music.
10.00 Simon Mayo Music and features including after **10.00** the **Mayo Clinic** and at **11.30** the **Scala Radio Book Club**, featuring a guest author.
1.00pm Sam Hughes Popular classical works.
4.00 Mark Forrest An eclectic playlist, including the Scala Immersion at **6.30**, featuring a long piece.
7.00 Jack Pepper's Culture Bunker
Composer Jack Pepper counts down his favourite works played on the show in 2019. (R)
9.00 The Space Nonstop atmospheric music.
10.00 Hannah Cox
Including listeners' classical music **Love Stories**.
1.00am Night Music Nonstop classical music.

Absolute Radio

DAB absoluteradio.co.uk
F'view 727 **F'sat** 724 **Sky** 0107 **Virgin** 915

6.00am Ben Burrell 10.00 Leona Graham Mainstream and indie rock and pop **1.00pm Jay Lawrence 4.00 Bush and Richie 7.00 Danielle Perry 10.00 Ross Buchanan 1.00am Chris Martin**

Brahms *Der Gang zum Liebchen, Op 48 No 1; Lerchengesang, Op 70 No 2; Ständchen, Op 106 No 1*
Ema Nikolovska (mezzo), Joseph Middleton (piano)
Haydn *String Quartet in D, Op 20 No 4*
Consone Quartet
Haydn *Trumpet Concerto in E flat*
Simon Höfele, BBCSSO, conductor Duncan Ward
6.15 Words and Music
Simon Russell Beale and Adjoa Andoh read prose and poems about clouds by Yang Chi, Shakespeare, Thoreau and Rilke. With music by Westhoff, Ligeti and Debussy. (R)
7.30 BBC Proms 2019
Another chance to hear the Wagner Prom recorded at the Royal Albert Hall, London. With Ian Skelly.
Christine Goerke (soprano), Stephen Gould (tenor), RPO, conductor Marc Albrecht
Weber *Overture: Der Freischütz*
Wagner *Forest Murmurs (Siegfried)*
Franck *Le Chasseur maudit*
8.15 Interval Hannah French explores Henry Wood's connection to Wagner's music.
8.40 Wagner *Dawn and Siegfried's Rhine Journey; Zu neuen Taten, teurer Helde; Siegfried's Death and Funeral March; Brünnhilde's Immolation Scene (Götterdämmerung)* (R)
9.35 BBC Proms 2019
Recorded in the summer at the Royal Albert Hall, London. Presented by Martin Handley.
Elizabeth Watts (soprano), NDR Radio Philharmonic Orchestra, conductor Andrew Manze
Handel *Music for the Royal Fireworks*
Beethoven *Ah! perfido, Op 65*
Bach, orch Elgar *Fantasia and Fugue in C Minor, BWV537*
10.40 Beethoven *Overture: Fidelio; Abscheulicher!..Komm, Hoffnung, Lass Den Letzten Stern (Fidelio); Symphony No 5 in C minor* (R)
11.30 Unclassified
Elizabeth Alker with genre-straddling new music from unusual composers and performers.
12.30am Through the Night With Jonathan Swain
Beethoven *Cantata on the Death of Emperor Joseph II, WoO 87; Cantata on the Accession of Emperor Leopold II, WoO 88* Bodil Arnesen (soprano), Alan Titus (bass), Berlin Radio Chorus and SO, conductor Karl Anton Rickenbacher **1.38 Schubert** *Arpeggione Sonata, D821 (viola version)* **2.03 Haydn** *Symphony No 44 in E minor (Trauer)* **2.31 Liszt** *Piano Sonata in B minor, S178* **3.02 Dohnanyi** *String Quartet No 2 in D flat, Op 15* **3.28 Boieldieu** *Viens, gentille dame (La Dame blanche)* **3.35 Dvorak** *Odzemek, Op 72 No 1* **3.40 Vivaldi** *Flute Concerto in D, RV428 (Il gardellino)* **3.52 Gieseking** *Chaconne on a Theme by Scarlatti* **3.59 Butterworth** *Romanza* **4.09 Parry** *Lord, Let Me Know Mine End (Songs of Farewell)* **4.20 Gilson** *Andante and Scherzo* **4.31 Mozart** *Overture: Le nozze di Figaro* **4.36 Handel** *Flammende Rose, Zierde der Erden, HWV210 (arr oboe, violin and organ)* **4.41 Dussek** *Keyboard Sonata in D, Op 31 No 2* **4.54 Saint-Saëns** *Mon Coeur s'ouvre (Samson et Dalila)* **5.01 Schumann** *Märchenbilder, Op 113* **5.17 Sibelius** *En saga* **5.39 Beethoven** *Piano Sonata No 30 in E, Op 109* **5.58 CPE Bach** *Flute Concerto No 2 in B flat, Wq167* **6.21 Buxtehude** *Toccata in F, BuxWV156*

Classic FM

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6.00am More Music Breakfast
9.00 John Suchet Popular classical works.
1.00pm Bill Turnbull With popular favourites.
5.00 John Brunning Classic FM favourites.
7.00 Smooth Classics With John Brunning.
8.00 The Full Works Concert
Catherine Bott begins a month of programmes devoted to the life and works of the world's greatest composers, beginning with Ludwig Van Beethoven.
Beethoven *Egmont Overture, Op 84* Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra, conductor Riccardo Chailly
Piano Sonata No 14 in C sharp minor, Op 27 (Moonlight) Alfred Brendel
Violin Concerto in D, Op 61
Pinchas Zuckerman, Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra, conductor Zubin Mehta
Bagatelle No 25 in A minor, WoO 59 (Für Elise)
Lang Lang (piano) *Symphony No 8 in F*
Staatskapelle Dresden, conductor Colin Davis
Romance No 1 in G, Op 40
Anne-Sophie Mutter (violin), New York Philharmonic Orchestra, conductor Kurt Masur
10.00 Smooth Classics 1.00am Bob Jones

BBC Radio 4

92.4–94.6 FM 198 LW DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4
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News, weather, shipping forecasts as New Year's Eve

5.30am News Briefing
5.43 Prayer for the Day
With Bishop John Inge, the Bishop of Worcester.
5.45 Farming Today
5.58 Tweet of the Day
Tawny Owl – Winter. With David Attenborough. (R)
6.00 Today
With Martha Kearney and Mishal Husain.
6.25, 7.25, 8.25 Sports News
7.48 Thought for the Day
With the Rev Dr Isabel Hamley.
9.00 Positive Thinking
4/5. The fourth of five programmes that explore new and innovative solutions to problems as varied as waste, rats and re-offending. Repeated 9.30pm
9.30 Witness
3/4. Gustav Klimt's painting *Portrait of Adele Bloch-Bauer I* is a lavish, glittering portrait – at one point the most expensive painting in the world. But to whom did it belong? Maria Altmann, an elderly Jewish refugee living in Los Angeles, fought the Austrian government for almost a decade to reclaim it and other paintings that had been stolen from her family by the Nazis. Louise Hidalgo talks to Randol Schoenberg, the lawyer who helped Altmann win the painting back.
For details see Monday 30 December
9.45 *FM* **Book of the Week: Unreliable Memoirs**
4/5. Clive James reads the first part of his autobiography, covering his early life in Australia. For details see Mon 30 Dec Rptd 12.30am
9.45 *LW* **Daily Service**
A space for spiritual reflection with a Bible reading, prayer and a range of Christian music, led by the Rev Richard Carter.
10.00 Woman's Hour With Jenni Murray.
10.45 Charlotte and Lillian *4/5.* The *15-Minute Drama*. Holly Walsh and Kat Sommers's comedy. Lillian leaves Charlotte a message telling her not to come round any more, but when she turns up unannounced, she discovers she has a rival for Lillian's approval.
For cast and details see Monday 30 December (R)
11.00 Crossing Continents
7/9. **Sierra Leone – The Price of Going Home**
Fatmata, Jamilatu and Alimamy are young Sierra Leoneans who risked everything for the sake of a better life in Europe. Along the way, they were imprisoned and enslaved. They saw friends die. Eventually, they gave up. Now they're home again, facing the devastating consequences of what they did to their families, and seeing themselves as failures. Tim Whewell reports.
Repeated Monday 8.30pm
11.30 The End of the World Has Already Happened
RT *New series. 1/3.* **We're Doomed!**
Timothy Morton rethinks people's psychological relationship with the climate crisis. Producer Chris Elcombe
12.04pm The Secret Commonwealth
9/10. With the help of the Oakley Street agents, Lyra plans the next stage of her journey. Malcolm learns more about the roses. Simon Russell Beale reads from the second volume of Philip Pullman's *The Book of Dust* trilogy. Abridged by Doreen Estall.
For details see Monday 30 December Rptd 10.45pm
12.18 You and Yours
1.00 The World at One
Presented by Sarah Montague.
1.45 Could an Ancient Athenian Fix Britain?
4/5. **Carrot and Stick.** Jon Harvey explores modern British democracy through an ancient Athenian lens. Democracy was born in ancient Athens and lasted for nearly 200 years. If an Athenian democrat time-travelled to 2019, what would he make of what's now going on in Britain?
For details see Monday 30 December
2.00 The Archers Rptd from yesterday 7pm
2.15 Drama: Eight Point Nine Nine
RT The third collaboration from the award-winning partnership of Becky Ripley and James Fritz is a fictional drama posing as a real-life documentary that tells the story of Julian Mason, the first man to run the 100 metres in under nine seconds.
Darren Jones **Samuel Anderson** Julian Mason **Kwabena Ansah**
Janelle Mason **Clare Perkins** Commentator **Mike Costello**
Dr Bansri Shukla **Chetna Pandya** Reporter **Becky Ripley**
3.00 Open Country
Ruth Sanderson is in the village of St Briavels, deep in the Forest of Dean in Gloucestershire, which is home to the UK's only dedicated skateboarding camp.
Producer Beatrice Fenton Repeated Saturday 6.07am
3.27 Radio 4 Appeal
Repeated from Sunday 29 December 9.25pm
3.30 Open Book
Repeated from Sunday 29 December 4pm
4.00 The Film Programme
Antonia Quirke talks to Taika Waititi, the director and star of *JoJo Rabbit*, which has been tipped for Oscar glory after its People's Choice award at the influential Toronto Film Festival. The film tells the story of a member of the Hitler Youth who finds that his mother is hiding a Jewish girl in their attic.
Producer Stephen Hughes Rptd Sun 11pm See 7.15pm
4.30 BBC Inside Science
With Adam Rutherford. Repeated 9pm
5.00 PM
With Carolyn Quinn.
6.00 Six o'Clock News
6.30 Elephant in the Room
Sarah Millican hosts the game show which uses national surveys to find out which of its panellists – Sandi Toksvig, Angela Barnes, Harriet Dyer or Phil Wang – is closest to, and furthest from, the average British person.
7.00 The Archers
Kirsty speaks her mind. Phoebe is feeling low.
For cast see Friday 3 January Repeated tomorrow 2pm
7.15 Front Row
Samira Ahmed reviews Taika Waititi's latest film, *JoJo Rabbit*, in which a Hitler Youth discovers that his mother is hiding a Jewish girl in their attic. Producer Dymphna Flynn
7.45 My Life with Flu
4/5. Romantic drama by Sarah Woods. Jill's doctor urges her to have the flu vaccination in the year 2000, but she has other things on her mind as she prepares for her daughter Polly to leave for university. Meanwhile, she also has the urge to phone an old friend.
For details see Monday 30 December (R)
8.00 Middlesbrough, Money and Me
Breakfast business presenter Steph McGovern returns to her home town of Middlesbrough to ask why people are not better equipped to deal with the practical maths needed to work out phone contracts, energy tariffs and other challenges of everyday life. She visits a school where the curriculum includes lessons in personal finance. Producer Geoff Bird (R)
8.30 In Business
6/9. Chris Bowlby examines Britain's global business image, looking at whether some brands will prosper regardless of what happens in the country itself. Producer John Murphy
9.00 BBC Inside Science Rptd from 4.30pm
9.30 Positive Thinking Rptd from 9am
10.00 The World Tonight
10.45 The Secret Commonwealth *9/10*
Repeated from 12.04pm
11.00 Relativity
3/4. Alison Steadman stars in Richard Herring's witty and loving comedy about four generations of a family. A Christmas visit to Doris in her care home is simultaneously poignant and hilarious, as Ken insists on firing mental maths questions at her to keep her mind in working order, and Margaret struggles to get her mother to simply recognise her.
For cast and details see Boxing Day (R)
11.30 James Veitch's Contractual Obligation
2/3. **Deepfakes.** The comedian is concerned that the BBC might not commission another series of his show, so he hits on an idea involving "deepfaking" his producer.
For details see yesterday (R)
12.00 News
12.30–12.45 Book of the Week: Unreliable Memoirs *4/5.* Rptd from 9.45am
1.00 as BBC World Service

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News and **sport** as Monday 30 Dec
5.00am Morning Reports
With news, sport and business.
5.15 Wake Up to Money
Financial news stories.
6.00 5 Live Breakfast
Nicky Campbell and Clare McDonnell present news from the UK and around the world, including business, travel and the day's sports stories. At **9.00 Your Call**.

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
8.00–12.30 Cricket
Melbourne Renegades v Sydney Sixers, the Big Bash match from Marvel Stadium in Melbourne.

10.00 Emma Barnett
News and current affairs interviews. Plus listeners' stories and contributions, and a round-up of the day's headlines.
1.00pm Nihal Arthanayake
News and topical conversation.
4.00 5 Live Drive
Anna Foster and Tony Livesey present the day's news and sport, plus interviews with people at the centre of the latest stories.
7.00 5 Live Sport
Nick Bright presents sports news, interviews, features and sport including the latest updates from Liverpool v Sheffield United.
10.00 Geoff Lloyd

5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
11.00–5.00 Cricket
Australia v New Zealand on the first day of the Third Test from the Sydney Cricket Ground. Continues until 7.30am.

1.00am Up All Night

Talksport

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6.00am Sports Breakfast
With Ally McCoist.
10.00 White and Sawyer
Featuring Glen Johnson.
1.00pm Hawksbee and Jacobs
4.00 Adrian Durham and Darren Gough Live from Derby.
7.00 Kick-Off Hugh Woozencroft with live commentary on Liverpool v Sheffield United (**8.00** kick-off).
10.00 Sports Bar
1.00am Extra Time
5.00 Early Breakfast

LBC

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7.00am Nick Ferrari
10.00 James O'Brien
1.00pm Shelagh Fogarty
4.00 Eddie Mair
6.00 Nigel Farage
7.00 Iain Dale
10.00 Tom Swarbrick
1.00am Darren Adam
4.00 Steve Allen

Asian Network

DAB bbc.co.uk/asiannetwork
F'view 709 **F'sat** 709 **Sky** 0119 **Virgin** 912
6.00am Harpz Kaur
10.00 Asian Network's Big Debate
12.30pm Asian Network Reports
1.00 Haroon Rashid
4.00 Yasser British-Asian music.
5.30 Asian Network Reports
6.00 Yasser New music.
7.00 Bobby Friction
10.00 Poppy Begum
12.00 Asian Network's Love Friday Mix
12.30am Asian Network Playlists
1.00 Toddla T
3.00 1Xtra Mixes 4.00 Seani B

BBC Radio 4 Extra

DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4extra
Freeview 708 **Freesat** 708 **Sky** 0131 **Virgin** 910
6.00am One, Two, Buckle My Shoe (4/5)
6.30 The British Film Studios: Pinewood
7.00 The Stanley Baxter Playhouse as 5pm
7.30 Tom Allen Is Actually Not Very Nice (4/4)
8.00 The Ken Dodd Show 1965 comedy
8.30 I'm Sorry I'll Read That Again (6/13)
9.00 It's Your Round Panel show (4/6)
9.30 Change at Oglethorpe 1996 comedy (6/6)
10.00 Little Dorrit Narrated by Ian McKellen (4/5)
11.00 Michael Carson – Fragile as Milk on a Step
Tiny and Mildred discover that miracles can happen on New Year's Day. Read by Louise Jameson
11.15 The Hunting of the Snark as 9.15pm
12.00 The Ken Dodd Show 1965 comedy
12.30pm I'm Sorry I'll Read That Again (6/13)
1.00 One, Two, Buckle My Shoe (4/5)
1.30 The British Film Studios: Pinewood
John Huntley traces the history of one of Britain's most iconic centres of film-making. From 1996
2.00 Sweet Caress Fictional autobiography (4/10)
2.15 The Hidden Henry Henry VIII (4/5)
2.30 Northanger Abbey By Jane Austen (9/10)
2.45 Schubert's Winter Journey (4/5)
3.00 Little Dorrit Narrated by Ian McKellen (4/5)
4.00 It's Your Round Panel show (4/6)
4.30 Change at Oglethorpe 1996 comedy (6/6)
5.00 The Stanley Baxter Playhouse Stanley Baxter stars in Michael Chaplin's *The Leaving of Barra*. An old man about to leave Barra recalls abandoning his film career to remain on the island for love
5.30 Tom Allen Is Actually Not Very Nice (4/4)
6.00 Doctor Who – Serpent Crest
Tom Baker stars in Paul Magrs's sci-fi adventure *Survivors in Space*, in which the whole hamlet of Hexford passes through a wormhole. From 2017 (1/2)
6.30 Great Lives Humphrey Carpenter invites writer Frank Delaney and biographer Hilary Spurling to discuss the painter Henri Matisse (1869–1954)
7.00 The Ken Dodd Show 1965 comedy
7.30 I'm Sorry I'll Read That Again (6/13)
8.00 One, Two, Buckle My Shoe Mystery (4/5)
8.30 The British Film Studios: Pinewood
9.00 Michael Carson – Fragile as Milk on a Step
9.15 The Hunting of the Snark Tony Robinson narrates an adaptation of Lewis Carroll's 1870s poem following a strange assortment of characters on their quest for an elusive beast. From 2015
10.00–12.00 Comedy Club: Tom Allen Is Actually Not Very Nice (4/4), at **10.30 Lewis Macleod Is Not Himself** (3/4), at **11.00 The Hudson and Pepperdine Show** (1/4), and at **11.30 Cowards** (3/4)
12.00 as 6pm **12.30am** as 6.30pm **1.00** as 8pm **1.30** as 8.30pm **2.00** as 2pm **2.15** as 2.15pm **2.30** as 2.30pm **2.45** as 2.45pm **3.00** as 3pm **4.00** as 4pm **4.30** as 4.30pm **5.00** as 5pm **5.30** as 5.30pm

BBC World Service

DAB bbc.co.uk/worldserviceradio
Freeview* 710 **Freesat** 711 **Sky** 0115 **Virgin** 906
Programmes may differ online, and on Freesat, Sky, and Virgin
5.00am News **5.05** The Newsroom **5.30** Healthcheck **6.00** Newsday: the latest headlines **8.30** Business Daily **8.50** Witness History **9.00** News **9.05 CHOICE:** The Forum: thought-provoking discussion **9.50** Sporting Witness **10.00** World Update **11.00** The Newsroom **11.30** The Food Chain **12.00** News **12.05pm** Outlook **12.50** Witness History **1.00** The Newsroom **1.30** Assignment **2.00** Newshour **3.00** News **3.05** The Inquiry **3.30** World Business Report **4.00** BBC OS **6.00** News **6.05** Outlook **6.50** Witness History **7.00** News **7.05** The Newsroom **7.30** Sport Today **8.00** News **8.05** The Inquiry **8.30** Science in Action **9.00** Newshour **10.00** News **10.05** The Newsroom **10.20** Sports News **10.30** World Business Report **11.00** News **11.05** Assignment **11.30** The Food Chain **12.05am CHOICE:** The Forum **12.50** Sporting Witness **1.00** News **1.05** Business Matters **2.00** News **2.05** The Newsroom **2.30** Assignment: BBC correspondents report their experiences **3.00** News **3.05** Outlook **3.50** Witness History **4.00** News **4.05** Hardtalk **4.30** World Football: reports from around the globe

*Not available on Freeview in Scotland 4pm–1am. **Key** (R) Repeat

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FRIDAY Radio

Today's Choices



The News Quiz
6.30pm ***Radio 4***

As a prelude to series 101, here's a round-up of the best of 2019, scheduled to include Miles Jupp's last stint as host in May. Also represented will be the guest hosts that presented series 100. They were Zoe Lyons, Angela Barnes, Patrick Kielty, Andrew Maxwell, Kiri Pritchard-McClean, Andy Zaltzman, Phil Wang and Nish Kumar. Will one of them be Jupp's successor? Or is an untried name going to emerge, to take a chair whose previous occupants include Barry Norman, Barry Took and Simon Hoggart? Lips were sealed as we went to press. But I can tell you that the next big *News Quiz* anniversary will be the 1,000th episode. **DAVID McGILLIVRAY**

No Triumph No Tragedy
11.00am ***Radio 4***

Peter White's programme *In Touch* is one of the jewels in the Radio 4 crown, whether you're visually impaired or not, and his occasional series *No Triumph No Tragedy* makes for similarly rewarding listening. In these interviews White, who is blind himself, invariably gives us the person, not the disability, and the two editions over the Christmas period – last week's with the deaf-blind Harvard Law School graduate Haben Girma, and today's with TV presenter and artist Sophie Morgan – are models of their kind. **SIMON O'HAGAN**

BEST OF THE REST...

Mark Lawson's Beijing-set **Drama: Enemies of the System** *(2.15pm Radio 4)* has an intriguing premise and is super-topical, while the late replacement **Book of the Week** (*9.45am/12.30am Radio 4*), chosen by way of tribute to Clive James and first broadcast in 2001, reaches its conclusion.

SARAH JONES

BBC Radio 1

97.6–99.8 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio1
F'view* 700 **F'sat** 700 **Sky** 0101 **Virgin** 901

6.30am Matt Edmondson
10.00 Radio 1 Anthems
11.00 Maya Jama New music.
1.00pm Dev and Alice
4.00 The Official Chart Show
6.00 Radio 1's Party Anthems
7.00 Radio 1's Dance Party
9.00 Pete Tong Dance tracks.
11.00 Danny Howard
1.00am Essential Mix 3.00 Drum & Bass Mix 3.30 Annie Mac in the Mix 4.00 Wind Down
5.00 Weekend Early Breakfast

BBC Radio 2

88–90.2 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio2
F'view* 702 **F'sat** 702 **Sky** 0102 **Virgin** 902

5.00am Grace Dent
6.30 Nicki Chapman
9.30 Ken Bruce
Including after **11.30 Tracks of My Years**, in which comedian Milton Jones concludes his picks with discs by Madness and Robbie Williams.
12.00 Jeremy Vine
2.00pm Craig Charles
5.00 Joe Lycett
7.00 Tony Blackburn's Golden Hour
An eclectic collection of pop and soul oldies, tonight featuring Sly and the Family Stone, R Dean Taylor, Hot Chocolate and many others.
8.00 Friday Night Is Music Night
Andrew Cottee conducts the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra in the premieres of three newly arranged orchestral suites based on the music from Andrew Lloyd Webber's hit musicals *Evita*, *Sunset Boulevard* and *The Phantom of the Opera*, plus *The Woman in White*. Recorded on 1 November at Symphony Hall, Birmingham and presented by Ben Thompson, who during the interval showcases the work of Andrew Lloyd Webber at the BBC in performances and conversation dating from the 1970s until the present day.
10.00 Sounds of the 80s
Gary Davies plays period chart hits, album tracks and lesser-known or forgotten gems, Plus guests and a themed 1980s **Mastermix** at **11.50**.
12.00 Anneka Rice
Highlights of Radio 2's week of live sets, interviews and documentaries.
2.00am Radio 2 in Concert
November's concert with Craig David at the BBC's Radio Theatre in London. (R)
3.00 Radio 2 in Concert
Last month's concert with singer/songwriter Dido performing at the BBC's Maida Vale Studios in London. (R)
4.00 Huey Morgan
An eclectic playlist, from mid-century blues to rock 'n' roll, punk and disco.

BBC 6 Music

DAB bbc.co.uk/6music
Freeview 707 **Freesat** 707 **Sky** 0120 **Virgin** 909

7.30am Nemone
10.30 Tom Ravenscroft
1.00pm Shaun Keaveny
4.00 Steve Lamacq
7.00 Iggy Pop
With records from his collection.
9.00 Tom Ravenscroft
12.00 Nemone's Electric Ladyland Electronica, beats, breaks, funk and hip-hop.
2.00am Classic Concert
Performance from the BBC archives.
3.00 Live Hour Concerts and sessions from the BBC archives.
4.00 Overnight Documentary
5.00 Chris Hawkins

BBC Radio 3

90.2–92.4 FM DAB bbc.co.uk/radio3
Freeview* 703 **Freesat** 703 **Sky** 0103 **Virgin** 903
News and **weather** as Monday

6.30am Breakfast With Georgia Mann.
9.00 Essential Classics With Suzy Klein.
9.30 Listeners' suggestions for the playlist.
10.50 Olivier-winning actress Harriet Walter shares her cultural inspirations.
11.10 Further tributes to musicians who died in 2019.
12.00 Composer of the Week: Tchaikovsky
***5/5.* A Mystery to the End.** Donald Macleod tells the story of Tchaikovsky's final months, including the puzzle of his death, just days after the premiere of his Sixth Symphony, considered by many to be his finest work.
We Sat Together Dmitri Hvorostovsky (baritone), Mikhail Arkadiev (piano)
March (The Nutcracker, Act 1)
LSO, conductor Charles Mackerras
Piano Concerto No 3 in E flat Stephen Hough, Minnesota Orchestra, conductor Osmo Vanska
Adagio and Waltz (Suite: The Sleeping Beauty)
Vienna PO, conductor Herbert von Karajan
Symphony No 6 in B minor (Pathétique) Russian National Orchestra, conductor Mikhail Pletnev (R)
1.00pm Radio 3 Lunchtime Concert
Georgia Mann introduces the last of this week's highlights from a recital series recorded in 2018 at St George's Bristol.
Brahms *Es liebt sich so lieblich im Lenze, Op 71 No 2; Sommerabend, Op 85 No 1; Mondenschein, Op 85 No 2; Es schauen die Blumen, Op 96 No 3; Meerfahrt, Op 96 No 4; Der Tod, der ist die kühle Nacht, Op 96 No 1*
Mark Padmore (tenor), Julius Drake (piano)
Clarinet Quintet in B minor, Op 115
Julian Bliss, Carducci Quartet (R)
2.00 Afternoon Concert
Tom McKinney concludes a week of performances with Vienna connections, featuring concerts by the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra recorded at the Grand Hall at Musikverein in Vienna, and in August at the Salzburg Festival.
Ligeti *Atmospheres*
Wagner *Prelude: Lohengrin*
Berg *Violin Concerto*
Brahms *Symphony No 3 in F*
Rainer Honeck (violin), Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, conductor Christoph von Dohnanyi
Schubert *Mass No 6 in E flat, D950*
Krassimira Stoyanova (soprano), Alisa Kolosova (mezzo), Michael Spyres (tenor), Maciej Kwasnikowski (tenor), Gianluca Buratto (bass), Vienna State Opera Chorus, Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, conductor Riccardo Muti.
4.30 The Listening Service
Repeated from Sunday 29 December 5pm
5.00 New Generation Artists
Kate Molleson presents performances by Swedish violinist Johan Dalene, mezzo-soprano Ema Nikolovska and the UK-based Consone Quartet in works by Grieg, Debussy and Haydn respectively.
6.15 Words and Music
Mindfulness and 'I': the Sense of Self. Poetry, prose and music reflecting on the meaning of our existence, taking the listener through an imagined mindfulness session. Aiysha Hart and Jonathan Aris read from works by writers and thinkers from East and West, ancient and new, such as Rainer Maria Rilke, Hermann Hesse, Emily Dickinson, Walt Whitman, George Eliot, Octavio Paz, WB Yeats, Ralph Waldo Emerson, John Stuart Mill, TS Eliot, Rabindranath Tagore, Carl Jung and Chinese poets including Du Fu and Li Po.
Producer Juan Carlos Jaramillo (R)
EMAIL: wordsandmusic@bbc.co.uk; For details of the music and verse heard in this programme visit bbc.co.uk/radio3/wordsandmusic
7.30 BBC Proms 2019
Another chance to hear Handel's last oratorio *Jephtha*, recorded in August at the Royal Albert Hall. Richard Egarr conducts the Scottish Chamber Orchestra and SCO Chorus in the story of the warrior Jephtha commanded by God to sacrifice his daughter Iphis. Presented by Martin Handley.
Handel *Jephtha, Act 1*

Jeptha	**Allan Clayton** (tenor)
Iphis	**Jeanine de Bique** (soprano)
Angel	**Rowan Pierce** (soprano)
Storge	**Hilary Summers** (contralto)
Hamor	**Tim Mead** (countertenor)
Zebul	**Cody Quattlebaum** (bass-baritone)

Scottish Chamber Orchestra and Chorus, conductor Richard Egarr
8.35 Interval The concept of sacrifice in the Old Testament is discussed by the Rev Richard Coles and Dr Deborah Rooke.
8.55 *Jephtha, Acts 2 and 3* (R)
10.15 The Verb
Ian McMillan is joined by Jamaican poet laureate Lorna Goodison and US Pulitzer Prize-winning writer Jorie Graham in a discussion on ghosts. (R)
11.00 Late Junction An experimental playlist.
1.00am Through the Night
Jonathan Swain presents a concert by the Radio France Philharmonic. **Ravel** *La Valse* **Poulenc** *Concerto in D minor for Two Pianos* **Piazzolla** *Improvisation on Libertango* **Debussy** *Rhapsody for Saxophone and Orchestra; Syrinx* **Ravel** *Daphnis et Chloé, Suite No 2* Khatia Buniatishvili and Gvantsa Buniatishivili (pianos), Claude Delangle (saxophone), Radio France Philharmonic Orchestra/ Mikko Franck **2.08 Chausson** *Chanson Perpetuelle, Op 37* **2.15 Roussel** *Le Festin de l'araignée, Op 17* **2.33 Ravel** *Gaspard de la nuit* **3.01 Rodion Shchedrin** *Carmen Suite after Bizet* **3.41 Ginastera** *Estancia Concert Suite, Op 8a* **3.55 Chevalier de Saint-Georges** *L'Amant anonyme* **4.02 Rameau** *La Poule (Nouvelles suites de pièces de clavecin)* **4.07 Bach** *Orchestral Suite No 1 in C, BWV1066 (Overture)* **4.17 Feremans** *Preludium and fughetta (The Bronze Heart)* **4.21 Haydn** *Divertimento in E flat, H II 21* **4.37 Esterhazy** *Ave, dulcis Virgo* **4.41 Vitali** *Passa galli per la lettera E; Bergamasca per la lettera B* **4.49 Crusell** *Introduction et Air suédois* **5.01 Delius** *La Calinda* **5.05 Schumann** *Toccata in C, Op 7* **5.11 Grieg** *Aase's Death (Peer Gynt: Suite No 1)* **5.15 Lutoslawski** *Little Suite* **5.25 Duruflé** *Quatre motets sur des thèmes grégoriens, Op 10* **5.33 Ravel** *Le Tombeau de Couperin* **5.50 Haydn** *String Quartet in G minor, Op 74 No 3 (Rider)* **6.11 Tinel** *Overture: Polyeucte* **6.29 Schubert** *Piano Sonata in C minor, D958*

Scala Radio

DAB scalaradio.co.uk Sky 0216

6.00am In the Park Calming sounds.
7.00 Charles Nove
With both vibrant and soothing classical works. Plus a look at today's newspapers and features including **Questions of the Day**.
10.00 Simon Mayo
1.00pm Sam Hughes Popular classical works.
4.00 Mark Forrest An eclectic playlist.
7.00 Friday Night Scala Darren Redick with upbeat classical favourites to kick-start the weekend.
10.00 Hannah Cox
1.00am Night Music Nonstop music.

Absolute Radio

DAB absoluteradio.co.uk
F'view 727 **F'sat** 724 **Sky** 0107 **Virgin** 915

6.00am Ben Burrell Hard rock, indie pop and everything in between **10.00 Leona Graham 1.00pm Jay Lawrence 4.00 Bush and Richie 7.00 Absolute 80s**
Claire Sturgess with music from the decade of Big Country, Bronski Beat, REM, the Smiths, Ultravox, Adam and the Ants, Kim Wilde and Culture Club
10.00 Dan Noble 4.00am Ross Buchanan

Classic FM

99.9–101.9 FM DAB classicfm.com
Freeview 731 **Freesat** 721 **Sky** 0106 **Virgin** 922

6.00am More Music Breakfast
9.00 John Suchet Popular classical works.
1.00pm Bill Turnbull With popular favourites.
5.00 John Brunning Classic FM favourites,.
7.00 Smooth Classics With John Brunning.
8.00 The Full Works Concert
Catherine Bott continues Great Composers Month with the music of Franz Schubert, including the *Trout Quintet* and Luciano Pavarotti singing his setting of *Ave Maria*.
Ave Maria, D839 Luciano Pavarotti (tenor), National Philharmonic Orchestra, conductor Kurt Herbert Adler *Impromptu in G flat, Op 90 No 3* Alfred Brendel (piano) *Symphony No 8 in B minor (Unfinished)* London SO, conductor Kurt Masur *Suite: Rosamunde* Vienna Symphony Orchestra, conductor Nikolaus Harnoncourt *Rondo in A for Violin and Orchestra, D438* Parnassus Ensemble of London, director Peter Sheppard (violin) *Piano Quintet in A, D667 (Trout)* Zukerman Chamber Players
10.00 Smooth Classics
1.00am Katie Breathwick 4.00 Jane Jones

BBC Radio 4

92.4–94.6 FM 198 LW DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4
Freeview 704 **Freesat** 704 (FM) 710 (LW)
Sky 0104 (FM) 0143 (LW) **Virgin** 904 (FM) 911 (LW)
News, weather and **shipping forecasts** as New Year's Eve

5.30am News Briefing
5.43 Prayer for the Day
With Bishop John Inge, the Bishop of Worcester.
5.45 Farming Today
5.58 Tweet of the Day
Mistle Thrush – Song. David Attenborough introduces the song of the mistle thrush. (R)
6.00 Today
With Martha Kearney and Mishal Husain.
6.25, 7.25, 8.25 Sports News
7.48 Thought for the Day
With Dr Mona Siddiqui.
9.00 Positive Thinking
5/5. The last of five programmes that explore new and innovative solutions to problems as varied as waste, rats and re-offending. Repeated 9.30pm
9.30 Witness
4/4. At the end of El Salvador's civil war, human rights investigators began the search for hundreds of children reportedly kidnapped by the army during anti-guerrilla operations. In 1994, two years after the end of the conflict, the first six children were located in an orphanage in the capital San Salvador. Among them was Maria Elsy Dubon, who had been seized by soldiers who killed her father in May 1982. Mike Lanchin hears from her about her ordeal and about the reunion with her biological family. For details see Mon 30 Dec
9.45 *FM* **Book of the Week: Unreliable Memoirs**
5/5. Clive James reads the first part of his autobiography, covering his early life in Australia. For details see Mon 30 Dec Rptd 12.30am
9.45 *LW* **Daily Service**
Led by Canon Stephen Shipley. John 8, vv12–16. How Brightly Shines the Morning Star (Philipp Nicolai); Hail Gladdening Light (Charles Wood); Light of the Minds that Know Him (Timothy Dudley-Smith).
10.00 Woman's Hour With Jenni Murray.
10.45 Charlotte and Lillian ***5/5.*** The *15-Minute Drama*. In this episode of Holly Walsh and Kat Sommers's comedy, a hospital stay and a big birthday force Lillian and Charlotte to face some awful truths.
For cast and details see Monday 30 December (R)
11.00 No Triumph No Tragedy
RT ***2/3.*** Peter White meets the artist, campaigner and TV presenter Sophie Morgan, who at 18 was left paralysed after a car accident. Producer Susan Mitchell
11.30 Maureen and Friends
2/2. Comic monologues, musings and anecdotes from Maureen Lipman, recorded at the BBC Radio Theatre. Producer David Hunter
12.04pm The Secret Commonwealth
10/10. By Philip Pullman. Having reached Seleukia, Lyra has no idea what to do next or how to locate the Blue Hotel. Read by Simon Russell Beale. For details see Mon 30 Dec Rptd 10.45pm
12.18 You and Yours
1.00 The World at One
With Sarah Montague.
1.45 Could an Ancient Athenian Fix Britain?
5/5. **Leading Questions.** Jon Harvey explores modern British democracy through an ancient Athenian lens.
For details see Monday 30 December
2.00 The Archers Rptd from yesterday 7pm
2.15 Drama: Enemies of the System
In Mark Lawson's drama, three political advisers invited to Beijing are shocked to find that the Chinese are seeking their advice on how to deal with the uprising in Hong Kong.

Heck (Hector)	**Paul Rhys**	Ruby	**Macy Nyman**
Danny	**Julian Wadham**	Mai-Ling	**Michelle Yim**
Benedict	**Matt Rippy**	Yu Haigwang	**David Tse**

Director Eoin O'Callaghan
3.00 Gardeners' Question Time
Kathy Clugston chairs from Nottinghamshire.
Repeated Sunday 2pm
3.45 Mothmageddon
Felicity Evans – who is also BBC Wales's Political Editor – has a moth problem. She is now turning to a new method of control – installing a product designed to spread sexual confusion and interfere with the mating process. As a human who went through her own bout of sexual confusion in her teens, Evans is hoping to be immune to the effect of the pheromones, but can they stop the moths?
Producer Llinos Jones (R)
4.00 Last Word
Matthew Bannister presents the programme that celebrates the lives of the recently deceased.
Producer Neil George Repeated Sunday 8.30pm
4.30 A Good Read
Harriett Gilbert is joined by author and screenwriter Nikesh Shukla and the novelist and short story writer Leone Ross to discuss: *Amateur*; a real-life account of testing one's masculinity in the boxing ring, by Thomas Page McBee; *Cane*, a largely forgotten African-American classic, by Jean Toomer; and Arundhati Roy's *The God of Small Things*.
Producer Kate Dixon Repeated Sunday 8pm
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4.55 The Listening Project (R)
5.00 PM With Jonny Dymond.
6.00 Six o'Clock News
6.30 The News Quiz
RT ***New series. 1/9.*** A new series begins with a look back at the show's best moments from 2019.
Producer Richard Morris Repeated tomorrow 12.30pm
7.00 The Archers
Jazzer gets some shocking news and faces a dilemma.

David Archer	**Timothy Bentinck**	Toby Fairbrother	**Rhys Bevan**
Pip Archer	**Daisy Badger**	Eddie Grundy	**Trevor Harrison**
Josh Archer	**Angus Imrie**	Clarrie Grundy	**Heather Bell**
Jolene Archer	**Buffy Davis**	Tracy Horrobin	**Susie Riddell**
Kenton Archer	**Richard Attlee**	Alistair Lloyd	**Michael Lumsden**
Tony Archer	**David Troughton**	Jim Lloyd	**John Rowe**
Pat Archer	**Patricia Gallimore**	Jazzer McCreary	**Ryan Kelly**
Helen Archer	**Louiza Patikas**	Kirsty Miller	**Annabelle Dowler**
Tom Archer	**William Troughton**	Philip Moss	**Andy Hockley**
Natasha Archer	**Mali Harries**	Elizabeth Pargetter	
Brian Aldridge	**Charles Collingwood**	Robert Snell	**Graham Blockey**
Phoebe Aldridge	**Lucy Morris**	Lynda Snell	**Carole Boyd**
Christine Barford	**Lesley Saweard**	Oliver Sterling	**Michael Cochrane**
Lilian Bellamy	**Sunny Ormonde**	Roy Tucker	**Ian Pepperell**
Harrison Burns	**James Cartwright**	Joy Horville	**Jackie Lye**
		Lee Bryce	**Ryan Early**
Justin Elliott	**Simon Williams**	Angus Shrimpton	**Leo Wan**
Rex Fairbrother	**Nick Barber**	Gavin	**Gareth Pierce**

Writers Sarah McDonald-Hughes and Caroline Harrington
Directors Kim Greengrass and Jessica Bunch
Editor Jeremy Howe
7.15 Front Row
Nikki Bedi talks to Hugh Grant and Matthew McConaughey who are starring in the new film *The Gentlemen*, a crime caper directed by Guy Ritchie. Producer Jerome Weatherald
7.45 My Life with Flu
5/5. Romantic drama by Sarah Woods. It's October 2014 and Jill is now 71. She runs into a familiar face at the chemist's, and has one last shot at happiness. But the flu has other ideas.
For cast and details see Monday 30 December (R)
8.00 Build the Wall!
Another chance to hear a programme first broadcast in November to coincide with the 30th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall in which Katy Long asked why political leaders were celebrating the occasion while building new border walls of their own.
Producer Giles Edwards (R)
9.00 Intrigue: The Ratline
6–10/10. Omnibus. Philippe Sands looks at how Otto Waechter died, and he returns to Hagenberg to confront the senior Nazi politician's son Horst with new evidence.
Producer Gemma Newby (R)
10.00 The World Tonight
Presented by James Coomarasamy.
10.45 The Secret Commonwealth
10/10. Repeated from 12.04pm
11.00 Great Lives
Repeated from New Year's Eve 4.30pm
11.25 James Veitch's Contractual Obligation Rptd from Sat 21 December 10.30am
11.55 The Listening Project (R)
12.00 News
12.30–12.45 Book of the Week: Unreliable Memoirs ***5/5.*** Rptd from 9.45am
1.00 as BBC World Service

BBC Radio 4 Extra

DAB bbc.co.uk/radio4extra
Freeview 708 **Freesat** 708 **Sky** 0131 **Virgin** 910
6.00am One, Two, Buckle My Shoe as 8pm
6.30 The Shipwrecked Bears as 8.30pm
7.00 1834 Comedy with Michael Begley (5/6)
7.30 There Was a Young Fellow Named Palin
8.00 The Burkiss Way Sketches from 1979
8.30 Something to Shout About Comedy
9.00 The Food Quiz as 4pm
9.30 The Emerald Green Show as 4.30pm
10.00 Little Dorrit By Charles Dickens (5/5)
11.00 Podcast Radio Hour as 9pm
12.00 The Burkiss Way Sketches from 1979
12.30pm Something to Shout About Satirical comedy by Myles Rudge and Ronnie Wolfe, set in an ad agency. With Michael Medwin, Eleanor Summerfield, Fenella Fielding and Joan Sims. From 1961
1.00 One, Two, Buckle My Shoe as 8pm
1.30 The Shipwrecked Bears as 8.30pm
2.00 Sweet Caress: the Many Lives of Amory Clay William Boyd's fictional autobiography (5/10)
2.15 The Hidden Henry A 2009 series exploring lesser-known aspects of Henry VIII (5/5)
2.30 Northanger Abbey By Jane Austen (10/10)
2.45 Schubert's Winter Journey (5/5)
3.00 Little Dorrit By Charles Dickens (5/5)
4.00 The Food Quiz 2004 editon with Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall and Sue Lawrence (3/6)
4.30 The Emerald Green Show Llewella Gideon stars in Lisselle Kayla's comedy about a vain, ambitious black girl whose dream of becoming a chat-show queen almost comes true. With Sheila Reid, Jonathan Keeble and Dean Hill. From 1998 (1/4)
5.00 1834 Comedy with Michael Begley (5/6)
5.30 There Was a Young Fellow Named Palin Michael Palin and James Peak explore limericks
6.00 Doctor Who – Serpent Crest Tom Baker stars in Paul Magrs's *Survivors in Space* (2/2)
6.30 Off the Page Discussion about animal lovers
7.00 The Burkiss Way Sketches from 1979
7.30 Something to Shout About as 12.30pm
8.00 One, Two, Buckle My Shoe Dramatisation of Agatha Christie's 1940 novel. From 2004 (5/5)
8.30 The Shipwrecked Bears Gyles Brandreth investigates the mystery of the first mass-produced teddy bears, 3,000 of them, which were shipped in 1903 but never arrived at their destination
9.00 Podcast Radio Hour Amanda Litherland and her guest recommend the best podcasts
10.00–12.00 Comedy Club: There Was a Young Fellow Named Palin, at **10.30 In and Out of the Kitchen** (3/6), at **11.00 Party** (2/4), and at **11.30 The Mel and Sue Thing** (5/6)
12.00 as 6pm **12.30am** as 6.30pm **1.00** as 8pm **1.30** as 8.30pm **2.00** as 2pm **2.15** as 2.15pm **2.30** as 2.30pm **2.45** as 2.45pm **3.00** as 3pm **4.00** as 4pm **4.30** as 4.30pm **5.00** as 5pm **5.30** as 5.30pm

BBC World Service

DAB bbc.co.uk/worldserviceradio
Freeview* 710 **Freesat** 711 **Sky** 0115 **Virgin** 906
Programmes may differ online, and on Freesat, Sky, and Virgin
5.00am News **5.05** The Newsroom **5.30** Science in Action **6.00** Newsday **8.30** Business Daily **8.50** Witness History **9.00** The Real Story **10.00** World Update **11.00** The Newsroom **11.30** World Football: global reports **12.00** News **12.05pm** The Fifth Floor: global news **1.00** The Newsroom **1.30** Heart and Soul: the world's main faiths **2.00** Newshour: the stories behind the latest headlines **3.00** News **3.05** Tech Tent **3.30** World Business Report: informed analysis **4.00** BBC OS **6.00** News **6.05** The Fifth Floor: Global news **7.00** News **7.05** The Newsroom **7.30** Sport Today **8.00** News **8.05** Hardtalk: interviews with newsmakers **8.30** Crowd Science: questions about life, Earth and the universe are presented to researchers hunting for answers at the frontiers of knowledge **9.00** Newshour: the stories behind the latest headlines **10.00** News **10.05** The Newsroom **10.20** Sports News **10.30** World Business Report: informed analysis **11.00** News **11.05** Tech Tent **11.30** World Football: reports from around the globe **12.00** News **12.05am** The Real Story **1.00** News **1.05** Business Matters **2.00** News **2.05** The Newsroom **2.30** Stumped **3.00** News **3.05** The Fifth Floor **4.00** News **4.05** The Real Story

BBC Radio 5 Live

693, 909 MW DAB bbc.co.uk/fivelive
F'view 705 **F'sat** 705 **Sky** 0105 **Virgin** 905
Sports Extra F'view 706 **F'sat** 706
Sky 0144 **Virgin** 908
News and **sport** as Monday 23 Dec
5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
5.00–7.30am Cricket
Continued coverage of Australia v New Zealand, day two, Third Test.
5.00am Morning Reports
5.15 Wake Up to Money
6.00 5 Live Breakfast
With Nicky Campbell and Clare McDonnell. At **9.00 Your Call**.
5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
8.00am–12.30pm Cricket
Hobart Hurricanes v Brisbane Heat, a Big Bash match in Hobart.
10.00 Chiles on Friday
1.00pm Elis James and John Robins
3.00 Kermode and Mayo's Film Review Weekly movie guide.
5.00 5 Live Drive
7.00 5 Live Sport
Sports news, interviews and features including **The Friday Football Social**, with a preview of the weekend's football as the FA Cup third round gets underway.
5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
7.40–9.45 Rugby Union Sale Sharks v Harlequins (kick-off **7.45**).
10.00 Stephen Nolan
5 Live Sports Extra *Digital only*
11.00–5.00am Cricket
Australia v New Zealand, the second day of the Third Test. Continues until 7.30am.
1.00am Up All Night
Radio 5 Live: Contact individual programmes via the website at bbc.co.uk/5live.
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TEXT: 85058 (standard rate)

Talksport

1053, 1089 MW DAB talksport.co.uk
F'view 723 **F'sat** 731 **Sky** 0108 **Virgin** 927
6.00am Sports Breakfast
Presented by Ally McCoist.
10.00 Jim White, Martin Keown and Bob Mills
1.00pm Hawksbee and Jacobs
4.00 Adrian Durham and Darren Gough The latest news from the footballing world.
7.00 GameDay Countdown
10.00 Sports Bar
1.00am Extra Time With Ben Fletcher.

LBC

97.3 FM (London area) DAB lbc.co.uk
F'view 732 **F'sat** 734 **Sky** 0124 **Virgin** 919
7.00am Nick Ferrari
10.00 James O'Brien
1.00pm Shelagh Fogarty
4.00 Eddie Mair
6.00 Andrew Pierce
10.00 Nick Abbot
1.00am Matt Stadlen

Asian Network

DAB bbc.co.uk/asiannetwork
F'view 709 **F'sat** 709 **Sky** 0119 **Virgin** 912
6.00am Harpz Kaur
10.00 Asian Network's Big Debate
12.30pm Asian Network Reports
1.00 Haroon Rashid
4.00 The Official Asian Music Chart With Yasser Ranjha.
5.30 Asian Network Reports
News from the UK and South Asia, plus sport and showbiz updates.
6.00 Yasser New, unsigned and underground British-Asian music.
7.00 Panjabi Hit Squad
Dee and Rav with new hip-hop, plus Bollywood and bhangra anthems.
10.00 Kan D Man and DJ Limelight
1.00am Asian Network Residency
3.00 Radio 1's Asian Beats



BBC Local Radio — South East, Midlands, Anglia

Berkshire

Saturday 21
6.00am Bridgitte Tetteh **9.00** Andrew Peach **12.00** In Other News **1.00pm** Sport **6.00** Stereo Underground **8.00** Introducing **9.00** David Allen **12.00** Paul Miller **2.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Paul Coia **9.00** Debbie McGee **11.00** Bill Buckley **2.00pm** Henry Wymbs **5.00** David Miller **7.00** Paul Miller **8.00** Bridgitte Tetteh **9.00** Bill Rennells **12.00** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.30am Steve Madden **7.00** Andrew Peach **10.00** Kirsten O'Brien **1pm** Bill Buckley **4.00** Phil Kennedy **7.00** Michelle on the Move **10.00** Paul Miller **1am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
6.00am Vernon Harwood **10.00** Steve Madden **1.00pm** Bill Buckley **4.00** Bridgitte Tetteh **7.00** Michelle on the Move **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Vernon Harwood **9.00** Carol Service **10.00** Bill Buckley **1pm** Tony Gillham **3.00** Al Ryan **5.00** Will Banks **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Vernon Harwood **10.00** Sarah Walker **1.00pm** Bill Buckley **4.00** Trickster **6.00** Sport **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Vernon Harwood **10.00** Tony Blackburn **1.00pm** Bill Buckley **4.00** Sarah Walker **7.00** Mums without Makeup **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Sat 21 except: **6am–9.00** Sarah Walker **12.00** Phil Kennedy **3pm–6.00** Paul Coia

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except: **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** David Miller **7.00–8.00** Paul Miller

Monday 30
as Fri 27 except: **10am–1pm** Bridgitte Tetteh **4.00** Phil Kennedy **7.00–10.00** Michelle on the Move

New Year's Eve
6.00am Vernon Harwood **10.00** Bridgitte Tetteh **1pm** Bill Buckley **4.00** Phil Kennedy **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Paul Miller **1am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6am Michelle Jordan **10.00** Bill Buckley **1pm** Sport **7.00** Trickster **10.00** Paul Miller **1am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2
as Monday 23 except: **7.00am** Kirsten O'Brien **10.00–1.00pm** Sarah Walker

Friday 3
as Friday 27 except: **5.30am** Steve Madden **7.00–10.00** Andrew Peach **4.00pm** Phil Kennedy **6.00–7.00** Weekend Kick-Off

Cambridgeshire

Saturday 21
6am Charlie Thompson **9.00** Dave Webster **12.00** Richard "Spanners" Ready **2pm** Sport **6.00** Rock 'n' Roll **8.00** Introducing **9.00** Justin Dealey **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Mark Liversidge **8.30** Devine County **10.00** Chris South **12.00** Walk Right Back **2.00pm** Keith Greentree **4.00** John Leech **6.00** Naked Scientists **7.00** Sue Marchant **10.00** Keith Skues **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
4.00am Wally Webb **6.00** Kev Lawrence and Dotty McLeod **9.00** Chris Mann **12.00** Jez Sallis **3.00pm** Thordis Fridriksson **4.00** Ronnie Barbour **6.00** Extra Time **7.00** Level 23 **8.00** Anna Perrott **11.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
as Mon 23 except: **12.00** Richard "Spanners" Ready **3pm** Christmas Concert **4.00** Walk Right Back **6.00** Carol Service **7.00** Anna Perrott **10.00–1.00** Steve Springett

Christmas Day
6.00am Glenn Jones **9.00** Carol Service **10.00** Amir Suleman **12.00** Classical **2.00pm** Ed Adoo **4.00** Ronnie Barbour **5.00** Christmas Concert **6.00** A Grand Day Out **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
4.00am Wally Webb **6.00** Glenn Jones **9.00** Amir Suleman **12.00** Listening Project **1.00pm** Multi Story **2.00** Sport **6.00** Jimmy Peters **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
4.00am Wally Webb **6.00** Ronnie Barbour **9.00** Amir Suleman **12.00** Listening Project **2.00pm** Louise Hulland **5.00** Movie Evangelist **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Sat 21 except: **6.00am** Ronnie Barbour **9.00** Dave Webster **12.00** Richard "Spanners" Ready **3.00pm–6.00** Nathan Albon

Sunday 29
as Sun 22 except: **2pm–6.00** Sport

Monday 30
as Mon 23 except: **6am–9.00** Kev Lawrence **12.00** Movie Evangelist **2pm** Ronnie Barbour **5.00** Glenn Jones **7.00–11.00** Nana Akua

New Year's Eve
4.00am Wally Webb **6.00** Kev Lawrence **9.00** Chris Mann **12.00** Ronnie Barbour **3.00pm** Ed Adoo **6.00** Listening Project **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Amir Suleman **9.00** Thordis Fridriksson **12.00** Emily Martin **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Listening Project **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2
as Monday 23 except: **4.00pm** Ronnie Barbour **7.00** Classical Cambridgeshire **10.00–1.00am** Nick Risby

Friday 3
as Monday 23 except: **3.00pm** Steve Line **4.00** Thordis Fridriksson **6.00** Late Kick Off **7.00–10.00** That Friday Feeling

Coventry and Warwickshire

Saturday 21
5.00am Keith Wedgbury **7.00** Lorna Bailey **10.00** Mollie Green **12.00** Sandra Godley **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Marian McNamee **8.00** Introducing **10.00** Alex Lester **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6am Justine Greene **9.00** Gold and Treasure **12.00** Easy Sunday **3pm** Bob Brolly **6.00** Midlands Masala **8.00** Nikki Tapper **10.00** Graham Torrington **1am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5am Dan Sambell **6.00** Phil Upton **9.00** Vic Minett **12.00** Brody Swain **3pm** Ed Nell **6.00** Sky Blues **7.00** C Word **9.00** Introducing **10.00** Graham Torrington **1am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5.00am Dan Sambell **6.00** Phil Upton **9.00** Vic Minett **12.00** Brody Swain **3pm** Ed Nell **6.00** Carols **7.00** 80s Mixtape **10.00** Graham Torrington **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Carols **7.00** Justine Greene **10.00** Bob Brolly **1.00pm** Vic's Egg Nog **4.00** Carols **5.00** 80s Mixtape **8.00** Easy Christmas **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6am Covers **7.00** Sandra Godley **10.00** Marian McNamee **2pm** Martin Winch **6.00** Sport **7.00** Culture Club **8.00** 2 Tone Story **9.00** Introducing **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Phil Upton **9.00** Justine Greene **12.00** Ed Nell **4.00pm** Stuart Linnell **7.00** Sport **10.00** Colin Young **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Sat 21 except: **10am** Rich Hurst **2pm** Stuart Linnell **6.00** 2 Tone **7.00–8.00** Wallace and Gromit

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except: **9.00am** Ed Nell **2.00pm–6.00** Sport **10.00–1am** Gagan Grewal

Monday 30
as Fri 27 except: **6am** Trish Adudu **9.00–12.00** Phil Upton **6pm** Sky Blues **7.00** C Word **9.00** Introducing **10.00–1.00am** Gagan Grewal

New Year's Eve
6am Trish Adudu **9.00** Richard Williams **12.00** Ed Nell **3.00pm** Phil Upton **6.00** Wedge's Warwickshire **7.00** 70s Jukebox **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6am Wedge's Warwickshire **7.00** Trish Adudu **10.00** Richard Williams **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Football Review **7.00** City of Culture **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2
5.00am Richard Williams **6.00** Trish Adudu **9.00** Marian McNamee **12.00** Ed Nell **3.00pm** Phil Upton **6.00** Sport **7.00** Culture Club **8.00** 2 Tone Story **9.00** Introducing **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 3
as Thu 2 except: **12.00–3pm** Brody Swain **6.00** Sky Blues **7.00** Later On **8.00** Reggae Got Soul **10.00–1.00am** Colin Young

Derby

Saturday 21
6.00am Donna Alos **9.00** Andy Twigge **12.00** Jen Thomas **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** The Beat **8.00** Introducing **10.00** A Touch of Soul **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Donna Alos **9.00** James Watt **1.00pm** Tony Lyman **4.00** Dean Pepall **6.00** Satvinder Rana **8.00** Devon Daley **10.00** Graham Torrington **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5am Tony Lyman **6.00** Ian Skye **9.00** Sally Pepper **12.00** Andy Twigge **3pm** Steve Jordan **6.00** Sport **7.00** The Top Floor **10.00** Graham Torrington **1am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5am Tony Lyman **6.00** Ian Skye **9.00** Donna Alos **12.00** Andy Twigge **3pm** Steve Jordan **6.00** Carols **7.00** Top Floor **10.00** Graham Torrington **1am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Martyn Williams **9.00** Kevin Fernihough **1.00pm** Carols **2.00** Paul Robey **6.00** 80s Mix Tape **8.00** Dad Rock **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Kevin Fernihough **9.00** Andy Twigge **12.00** Ed Stagg **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Top Floor **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Kevin Fernihough **9.00** Andy Twigge **12.00** Ed Stagg **3pm** Pete Allen **6.00** Top Floor **10.00** Dean Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except: **12.00** Ed Stagg **2.00pm–6.00** Pete Allen

Sunday 29
as Sun 22 except: **1pm** 80s Mix Tape **2.00–6.00** Sport **8.00** Everton Osbourne **10.00–1am** Gagan Grewal

Monday 30
5.00am Tony Lyman **6.00** Steve Jordan **9.00** Donna Alos **12.00** Andy Twigge **3.00pm** Kevin Fernihough **6.00** Sport **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
as Mon 30 except: **7.00pm** Top Floor **10.00–1.00am** The Beat

New Year's Day
6am Kevin Fernihough **9.00** Jen Thomas **12.00** Ed Stagg **2pm** Sport **6.00** Top Floor **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
5am Tony Lyman **6.00** Steve Jordan **9.00** Donna Alos **12.00** Andy Twigge **3pm** Jen Thomas **6.00** Sport **7.00 Fri:** The Top Floor **10.00 Thu:** Gagan Grewal; **Fri:** Dean Jackson **1am** *as 5 Live*

Essex

Saturday 21
6am Emma Bullimore **9.00** Planet Ray **11.00** Ken Crowther **12.00** Ronnie Barbour **2pm** Sport **6.00** Rock 'n' Roll **8.00** Introducing **9.00** Justin Dealey **1am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Peter Holmes **9.00** Essex Quest **12.00** Mark Punter **2pm** Keith Greentree **4.00** John Leech **7.00** Sue Marchant **10.00** Keith Skues **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
4am Rob Jelly **6.00** Ben and Sonia **9.00** Alex Lester **12.00** Tony Fisher **4pm** Dave Monk **7.00** Your Essex **10.00** Nick Risby **1am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
as Monday 23 except: **6.00pm** Carols **7.00** Your Essex **10.00–1.00am** Steve Springett

Christmas Day
6am Carols **7.00** Steve and Ian **10.00** Best of Benson **12.00** John Rose **2pm** Ed Adoo **5.00** Evening Show **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
5.00am Unforgettable Summer **7.00** Steve and Ian **10.00** Hashtag Essex **12.00** John Rose **12.30pm** *FM 103.5 only* Sport **2.00** Sport **6.00** How the Double Was Won **7.00** Your Essex **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
4am Matt Wade **6.00** Steve and Ian **9.00** Alex Lester **12.00** Rob Jelly **4pm** Emma Bullimore **7.00** John Leech **10.00** Nick Risby **1am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except: **6.00am–9.00** Steve and Ian **2pm–6.00** Matt Mackay

Sunday 29
as Sun 22 except: **2.00pm** Sport **5.00–7.00** John Leech

Monday 30
as Monday 23 except: **12.00–4.00pm** Steve Scruton

New Year's Eve
4.00am Rob Jelly **6.00** Ian and Sonia **9.00** Alex Lester **12.00** Steve Scruton **4.00pm** Dave Monk **7.00** Your Essex **10.00** John Leech **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
5.00am Nariece Sanderson **7.00** Steve and Ian **10.00** Unforgettable Summer **12.00** Tony Fisher **2pm** Sport **6.00** How The Double Was Won **7.00** Your Essex **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
4.00am Rob Jelly **6.00** Ian and Sonia **9.00** Alex Lester **12.00 Thu:** Steve Scruton; **Fri:** Tony Fisher **4.00pm** Dave Monk **7.00 Thu:** Your Essex; **Fri:** John Leech **10.00** Nick Risby **1am** *as 5 Live*

Gloucestershire

Saturday 21/Saturday 28
5.00am Early Breakfast **6.00** Steve Kitchen **9.00** Faye Hatcher **12.00** David Smith **2.30pm** Matchday **6.00** Boogie Wonderland **8.00** Introducing **10.00** Rick Edwards **1am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
5am Jo Durrant **6.00** Richard Atkins **9.00** Kristina Thornton **12.00** Pete Wilson **1pm** Warren Moore **4.00** Vintage Chart **6.00** Manny Masih **8.00** Kevin Philemon **10.00** Geoff Barker **12.00** Johnny Coppin **1am** Philip Hunt **2.00** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.30am Joe Lemer **6.00** Mark Cummings **9.00** Anna King **12.00** Dominic Cotter **3pm** Nicky Price **6.00** Keep the Blue Moon Shining **7.00** Sophia Franklin **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
as Mon 23 except: **9am–12.00** Nicky Price **3pm** Steve Kitchen **6.00** Celebration **7.00–10.00** Pat Sharp

Christmas Day
5am Concert **6.00** Richard Atkins **9.00** Celebration **10.00** Steve Kitchen **1pm** Tom Clarke **3.00** The Queen **3.05** Toby Buckland **5.00** David White **7.00** House Party **10.00** Rick Edwards **1am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
5.00am Mark Jones **6.00** Steve Kitchen **9.00** Anna King **12.00** Jo Durrant **2pm** Matchday **6.00** Hattie Briggs **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Chris Baxter **1am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
5.00am Mark Jones **6.00** Steve Kitchen **9.00** Anna King **12.00** Jo Durrant **3.00pm** David Smith **6.00** Album Day **7.00** Jon Smith **10.00** Chris Baxter **1am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 29
as Sun 22 except: **6.00am–9.00** Mark Smith **1.00pm** Apollo 50 Special **2.00–6.00** Matchday

Monday 30
as Mon 23 except: **5am** Sean Smith **6.00–9.00** David Smith **6pm** Race Night **7.00–10.00** Pat Sharp

New Year's Eve
5am Sean Smith **6.00** David Smith **9.00** Jon Smith **12.00** Jo Durrant **3pm** Warren Moore **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Disco Paradise **1am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
5am Mark Jones **6.00** Mark Cummings **7.00** Mark Smith **10.30** Jo Durrant **2pm** Matchday **6.00** Seablings Row the Atlantic

7.00 Sophia Franklin **10.00** Jon Smith **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
as Mon 23 except: **5.30am–6.00** Martin Evans **5pm–7.00** Steve Kitchen **10.00–1am** Jon Smith

Hereford/Worcester

Saturday 21/Saturday 28
6am Andrew Easton **9.00** Dave Bradley **11.00** Toni McDonald **2pm** Trevor Owens **3.00** *FM 94.7/104/104.6/DAB* Sport **6.00** Richard Searling **8.00** Introducing **10.00** Alex Lester **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6am John Hellings **7.00** Kate Justice **9.00** Tammy Gooding **12.00** Jonathan Ray **3pm** Mike Wyer **6.00** Andrew Marston **8.00** John Hellings **10.00** Graham Torrington **1am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am Andrew Nash **6.00** Elliott and Toni **9.00** Elliott Webb **10.00** Andrew Easton **1.00pm** Donna Alos **4.00** Richard Hurst **7.00** Kate Justice **10.00** Graham Torrington **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
as Monday 23 except: **1pm–4.00** Lizzie Crow **6.00** Celebration **8.00–10.00** Kate Justice

Christmas Day
6.00am Andrew Easton **9.00** Dave Bradley **12.00** Afternoon Show **7.00pm** Kate Justice **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6am Dave Bradley **9.00** Andrew Easton **12.00** Lunchtime Show **2pm** Sport **6.00** Early Evening Show **7.00** Kate Justice **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6am Kate Justice **10.00** Andrew Easton **1pm** Nina Das Gupta **4.00** Richard Hurst **7.00** Kate Justice **10.00** Colin Young **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 29
as Sun 22 except: **12.00–3pm** Lizzie Crow **10.00–1am** Gagan Grewal

Monday 30
as Mon 23 except: **6.00am** Toni McDonald **10.00** Malcolm Boyden **1.00pm–4.00** Tammy Gooding **10.00–1.00am** Gagan Grewal

New Year's Eve
as Mon 23 except: **6.00am** Toni McDonald **10.00** Malcolm Boyden **1.00pm–4.00** Tammy Gooding **10.00–1.00am** Gagan Grewal

New Year's Day
6am Tammy Gooding **10.00** Donna Alos **1.00pm** Afternoon Show **2.00** Trevor Owens **3.00** *FM 104/104.6/DAB* Sport **6.00** Early Evening Show **7.00** Kate Justice **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
as Monday 23 except: **10am** Malcolm Boyden **1pm** Tammy Gooding **4.00–7.00** Andrew Easton **10.00–1am Thu:** Gagan Grewal; **Fri:** Colin Young

Kent

Saturday 21
6am Pat Marsh **10.00** Jon Holmes **12.00** Phil Harrison **2pm** Sport **6.00** Roger Day **8.00** Introducing **9.00** Justin Dealey **1.00am** Sean Rowley **2.00** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
5.30am Hymns **6.00** Breakfast **8.00** Gardening **11.00** Lembit Opik **2pm** Dominic King **3.00** Julia George **5.00** Daryl Denham **9.00** Kent Folk **10.00** Bill Rennells **12.00** *as 5 Live*

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Monday 23/Monday 30
5.00am Mon 23: Early Call **6.00** Anna Cookson **9.00** Julia George **12.00** Steve Denyer **3pm** Leo Ulph **6.00** Anna Louise **9.00** On the Air **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
as Monday 23 except: **9am–12.00** Lembit Opik **6pm** Carols **7.00–9.00** Anna Louise

Christmas Day
6.00am Carols **7.00** Daryl Denham **10.00** Lembit Opik **1.00pm** Carols **2.00** Mike and Phil **4.00** News Review **6.00** Dominic King **9.00** On the Air **10.00** Paul Miller **1am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6am Daryl Denham **9.00** Lembit Opik **12.00** Two Decades Late **1pm** A Grand Day Out **2.00** Sport **6.00** Anna Louise **9.00** On the Air **10.00** Paul Miller **1am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6am Daryl Denham **9.00** Lembit Opik **12.00** Steve Denyer **3pm** Leo Ulph **6.00** Access All Areas **8.00** Kent Sessions **9.00** On the Air **10.00** Steve N Allen **1am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Sat 21 except: **6am–10.00** Daryl Denham **12.00–2pm** Leo Ulph

Sunday 29
as Sun 22 except: **2pm** Two Decades Late **3.00–5.00** Multi Story

New Year's Eve
6am Anna Cookson **9.00** Julia George **12.00** Steve Denyer **3pm** Leo Ulph **6.00** Dominic King **9.00** Anna Louise **1am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6am Esther Higham **9.00** Lembit Opik **12.00** Two Decades Late **1pm** Jimmy Peters **2.00** Sport **6.00** Anna Louise **9.00** On the Air **10.00** Paul Miller **1am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
6am Anna Cookson **9.00 Thu:** Julia George; **Fri:** Lembit Opik **12.00** Steve Denyer **3pm** John Warnett **6.00 Thu:** Anna Louise; **Fri:** Access All Areas **8.00 Fri:** Kent Sessions **9.00** On the Air **10.00 Thu:** Paul Miller; **Fri:** Steve N Allen **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Leicester

Saturday 21
6am Jack Rafferty **9.00** Rupal Rajani **1pm** Sport **8.00** The Beat **10.00** A Touch of Soul **1am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Jo Bostock **9.00** Clueless **12.00** Jack Rafferty **3.00pm** Andy Pierce **7.00** Uncle Frank **10.00** Graham Torrington **1am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5am Tony Lyman **6.00** Jo Hayward and Ady Dayman **9.00** Ben Jackson **12.00** Naomi Kent **4pm** Summaya **6.00** Football Forum **7.00** Level 23 **8.00** Curry Show **10.00** Graham Torrington **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
as Mon 23 except: **6.00pm** Inside Sport **7.00–10.00** The A Word

Christmas Day
6am Summaya **10.00** Jack Rafferty **1pm** Carols **2.00** Paul Robey **6.00** Rugby Show **7.00** The Vibe **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6am Ady Dayman **10.00** Rupal Rajani **2pm** Be a Mate **4.00** Young British Asian Talk **6.00** Sport **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6am Jimmy Carpenter **9.00** Ben Jackson **12.00** Aminata Kamara **3pm** Uncle Frank **6.00** Sport Preview **7.00** Herdle White **10.00** Dean Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except: **1.00pm** Owynn Palmer-Atkin **3.00–8.00** Sport

Sunday 29
as Sun 22 except: **12.00–3pm** Jack Rafferty and Matt Smith **10.00–1am** Gagan Grewal

Monday 30
6am Jo Hayward and Ady Dayman **9.00** Ben Jackson **12.00** Naomi Kent **4pm** Jack Rafferty **6.00** Football Forum **7.00** Level 23 **8.00** The Curry Show **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
5am Tony Lyman **6.00** Jo Hayward and Ady Dayman **9.00** Ben Jackson **12.00** Naomi Kent **4pm** Jimmy Carpenter **6.00** Inside Sport **7.00** The A Word **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Jo Bostock **10.00** Jo Hayward **1.00pm** Sport **6.00** Ian Stringer and Owynn Palmer Atkin **7.00** The Vibe **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
5.00am Tony Lyman **6.00** Jo Hayward and Ady Dayman **9.00** Ben Jackson **12.00** Jack Rafferty **4.00pm** Jimmy Carpenter and Summaya Mughal **6.00 Thu:** Bootroom; **Fri:** Sport Preview **7.00** Bollywood Tamasha; **Fri:** Herdle White **9.00 Thu:** Young British Asians Talk **10.00 Thu:** Gagan Grewal; **Fri:** Dean Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Lincolnshire

Saturday 21/Saturday 28
6.00am Rod Whiting **9.00** Chris Berrow **12.00** Solid Gold **2.00pm** Hope and Glory **6.00** The Beat **8.00** Introducing **10.00** A Touch of Soul **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6am Rod Whiting **7.00** Farming **7.30** Rod Whiting **9.00** Gardening **10.00** Pirate Gold **1pm** Poachings **2.00** Tim Rogers Country **3.00** Howard Leader **6.00** Westenders **8.00** Henry Ayrton **10.00** Keith Skues **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
6am Scott Dalton **9.30** Melvyn in the Morning **1.00pm** Sue Taylor **4.00** William Wright **7.00** Paul Hudson **8.00** Kitchen **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
6.00am Scott Dalton **9.30** Melvyn in the Morning **1.00pm** Peter Levy **2.00** Musicals **5.00** Jazz **6.00** St Cecilia Singers **7.00** Jono Brine **8.00** Sue Taylor **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Concert **7.00** Jono Brine **10.00** Carols **11.30** Christmas Lunch **2.00pm** George Smith **6.00** Carols **7.30** Christmas Special **8.00** Nevermind the 90s **9.00** Let's Get Noughties **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am A Grand Day Out **7.00** William Wright **10.00** Harry Parkhill **1.00pm** Dance Classics **2.00** Hope and Glory **6.00** F1 **7.00** James Lobley **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Multi Story **7.00** William Wright **9.00** Red Arrows **10.00** Melvyn in the Morning **1.00pm** Maria Richmond **4.00** Richard Madden **6.00** Hope and Glory **7.00** Takeover **9.30** Let's Get Noughties **10.00** Dean Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Sat 21 except: **7.00–10.00am** Jason and Samantha **1.00pm** My London **2.00–8.00** Sport

Sunday 29
as Sunday 23 except: **5.00pm–6.00** My London

Monday 30
as Monday 23 except: **1.30pm–5.00** Claira Hermet **1.00am–4.00** Jim Davis

New Year's Eve
as Mon 23 except: **1.30pm–5.00** Tim Arthur **10.00** Sunny and Shay **1.00am–4.00** Dotun Adebayo

New Year's Day
4.00am Jason Rosam **7.00** Petrie Hosken **10.00** Robert Elms **12.00** Sport **8.00pm** The Scene **10.00** Duncan Barkes **1.00am** Dotun Adebayo

Thursday 2/Friday 3
4am Jason Rosam **7.00** Petrie Hosken **10.00** Robert Elms **1.30pm** Claira Hermet **5.00** Eddie Nestor **7.00 Fri:** Women's Sports Show **8.00** The Scene **10.00 Thu:** Duncan Barkes; **Fri:** Sunny and Shay **1.00am Thu** Dotun Adebayo **2.00 Fri:** Jim Davis

Norfolk

Saturday 21
6.00am Kirsteen Thorne **9.00** Keith Greentree **12.00** The Garden Party **2.00pm** Sport **5.00** Canary Call **6.00** Rock 'n' Roll **8.00** Introducing **9.00** Justin Dealey **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6am Anthony Isaacs **9.00** Treasure Quest **1.00pm** Gudgin's Guest **2.00** Keith Greentree **4.00** John Leech **6.00** Sue Marchant **10.00** Keith Skues **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
4am Wally Webb **6.30** Graham Barnard **10.00** Chrissie Jackson **1.00pm** Stephen Bumfrey **4.00** Matthew Gudgin **7.00** Jack Jay **10.00** Nick Risby **1am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
as Monday 23 except: **7.00pm** Anna Perrott **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6am Graham Barnard **9.00** Chrissie Jackson **12.00** Anna Perrott **2pm** Edward Adoo **5.00** Concert **6.00** A Grand Day Out **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
4am Wally Webb **7.00** Graham Barnard **10.00** Keith Skues **2pm** Sport **5.00** Canary Call **6.00** Special **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
as Mon 23 except: **10am–1pm** Angie George **4.00** Tim Addicott **7.00–10.00** Nana Akua

Saturday 28
as Sat 21 except: **2pm** Special **5.00** Sport **7.30–8.00** Canary Call

Sunday 29
as Sun 22 except: **1pm–2.00** Special

Monday 30
as Monday 23 except: **7.00am** Graham Barnard **10.00–1pm** Angie George **4.00** Paul Hayes **7.00–10.00** Nana Akua

New Year's Eve
4.00am Wally Webb **7.00** Graham Barnard **10.00** Angie George **1.00pm** Stephen Bumfrey **4.00** Paul Hayes **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6am Tim Addicott **9.00** Anna Perrott **12.00** Treasure Quest **2.00pm** Special **5.00** Sport **7.30** Canary Call **8.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Nick Risby **1am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
as Mon 23 except: **10am–1pm** Angie George **6.00 Thu:** Special; **Fri:** Yellow Friday **6.30 Fri:** Local Report **7.00–10.00** Anna Perrott

Northampton

Saturday 21
6.00am John Griff **9.00** Treasure Quest **12.00** John Rose **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Rock 'n' Roll **8.00** Lal Muttock **9.00** Justin Dealey **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6am Martin Heath **9.00** John Griff **12.00** Gadders **2pm** Keith Greentree **4.00** John Leech **6.00** Jona Kotnis **8.00** Mark Dean **10.00** Keith Skues **1am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23/Friday 27
4.00am Wally Webb **6.00** Annabel Amos **9.00** Bernie Keith **12.00** Helen Blaby **3.00pm Mon:** Wayne Bavin; **Fri:** John Rose **6.00 Fri:** Martin Heath **7.00 Mon:** Tim Wheeler; **Fri:** Nana Akua **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
as Mon 23 except: **3pm** Lenny Newman **4.00** John Rose **6.00** Carols **7.00** Anna Perrott **10.00–1.00am** Steve Springett

Christmas Day
6.00am Liz Jeeves **9.00** Carols **10.00** Helen Blaby **1.00pm** Lenny Newman **2.00** Ed Adoo **5.00** Concert **6.00** A Grand Day Out **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
4am Wally Webb **6.00** Liz Jeeves **9.00** Helen Blaby **12.00** Gadders **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** New Voices Winner **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Sat 21 except: **9am–12.00** Cat James **1.30pm** Sport **4.00–6.00** Liz Jeeves **6.00** Rock 'n' Roll **9.00–1.00am** Evening Show

Sunday 29
as Sun 22 except: **2pm** Sport **6.00** John Leech **7.00** Sue Marchant **10.00–1.00am** The Late Show

Monday 30
4am Wally Webb **6.00** Wayne Bavin **9.00** Bernie Keith **12.00** John Rose **3pm** John Griff **6.00** Youth in Concert **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Nick Risby **1am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
as Monday 30 except: **3.00pm** Stuart Linnell **6.00–7.00** New Voices Winner **10.00–1.00am** John Leech

New Year's Day
6.00am Wayne Bavin **9.00** Liz Jeeves **12.00** John Rose **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Saints in Normandy **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
4.00am Wally Webb **6.00** Annabel Amos **9.00** Bernie Keith **12.00** Helen Blaby **3.00pm** Wayne Bavin **6.00 Thu:** The Cobblers Show; **Fri:** Sport **7.00** Anna Perrott **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Nottingham

Saturday 21
6.00am Paul Robey **9.00** Pip Watts **12.00** Jo Davies **1.30pm** Matchday **5.00** Postmatch **6.00** The Beat **8.00** Introducing **10.00** A Touch of Soul **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Frances Finn **9.00** John Holmes **12.00** Paul Robey **4pm** Jo Davies **6.00** Hansa Dabee **8.00** Dawne Stewart **10.00** Graham Torrington **1am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am Tony Lyman **6.00** Andy Whittaker and Sarah Julian **9.00** Mark Dennison **12.00** Alan Clifford **4.00pm** Carson Wishart **7.00** Arun Verma **10.00** Graham Torrington **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
as Mon 23 except: **6am–9.00** Sarah Julian **6pm–7.00** Carols

Christmas Day
6.00am Sarah Julian **10.00** Carols **11.00** Alan Clifford **2.00pm** Paul Robey **6.00** Mark's Big Sing **7.00** New Voices **8.00** Carols **9.00** Concert **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Carson Wishart **10.00** Frances Finn **2.00pm** Matchday **6.00** Arun Verma **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Andy Whittaker **10.00** Mark Dennison **2.00pm** Al Booth **6.00** Arun Verma **10.00** Dean Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except: **12.00** Jo Davies **2.00pm–5.00** Matchday

Sunday 29
6.00am Dominic Johnson **9.00** Dean Jackson **12.00** Paul Robey **2.00pm** Matchday **6.00** Hansa Dabee **8.00** Dawne Stewart **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 30/Thursday 2
as Monday 23 except: **10.00pm–1.00am** Gagan Grewal

New Year's Eve
as Monday 23 except: **4.00pm–7.00** Al Booth **10.00–1.00am** The Beat

New Year's Day
6.00am Andy Whittaker **10.00** Mark Dennison **2.00pm** Matchday **6.00** Arun Verma **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 3
as Monday 23 except: **6.00–7.00pm** The Terrace **10.00–1.00am** Dean Jackson

Oxford

Saturday 21
6.00am Adam and Michelle **9.00** James Watt **12.00** Kick up the 80s **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Stereo Underground **8.00** Introducing **9.00** David Allen **12.00** Paul Miller **2.00am** Dance Dungeon

Sunday 22
4am *as 5 Live* **6.00** Sophie Law **9.00** Find It or Forfeit **12.00** Tony Gillham **2pm** Kick up the 80s **4.00** Al Ryan **6.00** Henry Wymbs **9.00** Bill Rennells **12.00** *as 5 Live*

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Your seasonal radio listings continued

Monday 23
6.00am David Prever **9.00** Lilley Mitchell **12.00** James Watt **3.00pm** Adam Ball **6.00** Funny Side **7.00** Michelle Jordan **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
as Monday 23 except: **12.00** Carols **1.00pm–3.00** James Watt **6.00–7.00** Concert

Christmas Day
6am Concert **7.00** Danny Cox **10.00** Crackers **12.00** Carols **1pm** Tony Gillham **3.00** Al Ryan **5.00** Will Banks **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Paul Miller **1am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Danny Cox **9.00** Adam and Michelle **12.00** Tony Gillham **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** 90s Bangers **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6am Danny Cox **9.00** Adam and Lisa **12.00** Tim Boswell **3pm** James Watt **6.00** Living for the Weekend **9.00** Soulful House **10.00** Paul Miller **1am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except: **2.00pm–6.00** Marie Indge

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except: **2.00pm** Sport **5.00** Sportsnight **7.00–9.00** Kat's Kick Up the 80s

Monday 30
as Mon 23 except: **6.00pm** Laurie Bailey **7.00–10.00** Pat Sharp

New Year's Eve
as Mon 23 except: **6pm** Soulful House **7.00–10.00** Pat Sharp

New Year's Day
6.00am Danny Cox **9.00** Ali Jones **12.00** Kick up the 80s **2pm** Sport **5.30** 90s Bangers **8.00** Dance Dungeon **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
6am Thu: Danny Cox; **Fri:** David Prever **9.00** Ali Jones **12.00** Lilley Mitchell **3pm** Adam Ball **6.00 Thu:** The New Forty; **Fri:** Living for the Weekend **7.00 Thu:** Michelle Jordan **9.00 Fri:** Soulful House **10.00** Paul Miller **1am** *as 5 Live*

Shropshire

Saturday 21/Saturday 28
6.00am Eric Smith **9.00** Ryan Kennedy **1.00pm** Michaela Wylde **2.00** Sport **6.00** Jim Hawkins **8.00** Introducing **10.00** Alex Lester **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am John Hellings **7.00** Ryan Kennedy **9.00** Treasure Quest **11.00** Kitchen **12.00** Paul Shuttleworth **3.00pm** Mike Wyer **6.00** Folk **8.00** Jazz **10.00** Graham Torrington **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
6am Eric Smith **9.00** Jim Hawkins **12.00** Mark Elliott **4.00pm** Adam Green **7.00** Introducing **8.00** Marie Crichton **10.00** Graham Torrington **1am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
as Mon 23 except: **3pm–4.00** Paul Shuttleworth **6.00** Carols **7.00–10.00** Active Shropshire

Christmas Day
6.00am Paul Shuttleworth **9.00** Ryan Kennedy **1.00pm** Carols **2.00** Carl Jones **3.00** Mike Wyer **6.00** Carl Jones **7.00** Adam Green **9.00** Carl Jones **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
7.00am Ryan Kennedy **11.00** Niel Jackson **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Michaela Wylde **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Adam Green **9.00** Ryan Kennedy **12.00** Mark Elliott **4.00pm** Paul Shuttleworth **7.00** Michaela Wylde **10.00** Colin Young **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 29
as Sun 22 except: **3.00–6pm** Sport **10.00–1am** Gagan Grewal

Monday 30
as Mon 23 except: **6am** Eric Smith and Clare Ashford **9.00** Mark Elliott **12.00** Colin Young **3pm–7.00** Al Booth **10.00–1am** Gagan Grewal

New Year's Eve
6.00am Eric Smith and Clare Ashford **9.00** Mark Elliott **12.00** Colin Young **3.00pm** Paul Shuttleworth **6.00** Party **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
7.00am Eric Smith **10.00** Paul Shuttleworth **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Michaela Wylde **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
6.00am Eric Smith and Clare Ashford **9.00** Jim Hawkins in the Morning **12.00** Niel Jackson **3.00pm** Paul Shuttleworth **4.00** Al Booth **7.00** The 7 o'Clock Show **10.00 Thu:** Gagan Grewal; **Fri:** Colin Young **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Stoke

Saturday 21
6am Sophie Calvert **10.00** Lucas Yeomans **2pm** Sport **5.00** Praise and Grumble **6.00** Richard Searling **8.00** Introducing **10.00** Alex Lester **1am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6am Easy like a Sunday Morning **6.30** In Praise of God **7.00** Tim Wedgwood **9.00** Terry Walsh **11.00** Paula White **2.30pm** In Praise of God **3.00** Jodie Looker **5.00** Centre Stage **6.00** Ajmal Hussain **8.00** Jazz **10.00** Graham Torrington **1am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am Den Siegertsz **6.30** Sophie Calvert **9.00** Perry Spiller **12.00** Louise Stones **3.00pm** Stuart George **6.00** Sport **7.00** Lucas Yeomans **10.00** Graham Torrington **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
as Monday 23 except: **3pm** Special **6.00–7.00** Carols

Christmas Day
6am Carols **7.00** John Acres **10.00** Perry Spiller **1pm** Carols **2.00** Terry Walsh **6.00** Susan Hanks **9.00** Make a Difference Awards **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Jason Hardy **10.00** Susan Hanks **2.00pm** Sport **5.00** Praise and Grumble **6.00** Special **7.00** The Takeaway **9.00** Centre Stage **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6am Jason Hardy **10.00** Perry Spiller **2pm** Susan Hanks **6.00** Praise and Grumble **7.00** Extra Time **8.00** Richard Searling **10.00** Colin Young **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Sat 21 except: **10.00am** Lucas and Rob **2pm–6.00** Jodie Looker

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except: **7am–9.00** Liz Ellis **2.00pm** Sport **5.00–6.00** Praise and Grumble **10.00–1am** Gagan Grewal

Monday 30
6.00am Sophie Calvert **9.00** Perry Spiller **12.00** Louise Stones **3.00pm** Stuart George **6.00** Sport **7.00** Lucas Yeomans **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
as Mon 30 except: **9am–12.00** Liz Ellis **3.00pm** Stuart George **7.00** Susan Hanks **10.00–1am** Terry and Vicky's Club-Off

New Year's Day
6.00am Special **7.00** Stuart George **10.00** Liz Ellis **2.00pm** Sport **5.00** Praise and Grumble **6.00** Susan Hanks **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2
5.00am Den Siegertsz **6.30** John Acres **9.00** Perry Spiller and Liz Ellis **12.00** Louise Stones **3.00pm** Stuart George **6.00** Sport **7.00** The Takeaway **9.00** Make a Difference Awards **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 3
as Thu 2 except: **6pm** Praise and Grumble **7.00** Extra Time **8.00** Richard Searling's Northern Soul **10.00–1am** Colin Young

Suffolk

Saturday 21/Saturday 28
6.00am Luke Deal **9.00** Georgy Jamieson **12.00** Life's a Pitch **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Rock 'n' Roll **8.00** Introducing **9.00** Justin Dealey **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Lesley Dolphin **9.00** Wayne Bavin **12.00** Sarah Lilley **2.00pm** Keith Greentree **4.00** John Leech **7.00** Sue Marchant **10.00** Keith Skues **1am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
4am Wally Webb **6.00** Luke Deal **7.00** Mark Murphy **10.00** James Hazell **1pm** Jon Wright **4.00** Stephen Foster **7.00** Anna Perrott **10.00** Nick Risby **1am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
as Mon 23 except: **6pm–7.00** Carols **10.00–1am** Steve Springett

Christmas Day
7.00am Mark Murphy **10.00** Morning Show **1.00pm** Carol Concert **2.00** Edward Adoo **5.00** Bernie Keith Christmas Special **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
4.00am Wally Webb **7.00** Morning Show **10.00** Georgy Jamieson **12.00** Life's a Pitch **2.00pm** Matchday **6.00** Ed Sheeran **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
4.00am Wally Webb **7.00** Mark Murphy **10.00** Georgy Jamieson **1pm** Lesley Dolphin **4.00** Stephen Foster **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except: **2.00pm** Sport **6.00–7.00** John Leech

Monday 30
as Mon 23 except: **7am–10.00** Georgy Jamieson **1pm–4.00** Lesley Dolphin **7.00–10.00** Nana Akua

New Year's Eve
4.00am Wally Webb **7.00** Georgy Jamieson **10.00** James Hazell **1.00pm** Sarah Lilley **4.00** Stephen Foster **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
7am Georgy Jamieson **10.00** James Hazell **1.00pm** Afternoon Show **2.00** Sport **6.00** Evening Show **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
4.00am Wally Webb **7.00** Luke Deal **10.00** James Hazell **1.00pm** Lesley Dolphin **4.00** Stephen Foster **7.00 Thu:** Evening Show; **Fri:** Anna Perrott **10.00** Nick Risby **1am** *as 5 Live*

BBC Surrey and BBC Sussex

Saturday 21
5.00am 70s and 80s Heaven **6.00** James Cannon **9.00** Danny Pike **12.00** Graham Dene **2.00pm** Joe Talbot **6.00** Stereo Underground **8.00** Introducing **9.00** David Allen **12.00** Paul Miller **2.00am** Dancefloor Delights

Sunday 22
4.00am *as 5 Live* **5.30** Hymns **6.00** Emily Jeffery **9.00** Dig It **12.00** Sylvie Blackmore **3.00pm** Mark Carter **5.00** David Miller **7.00** Nicky Patrick **9.00** Nicky Horne **12.00** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am Early Start **6.00** *Surrey:* James Cannon and Lesley McCabe; *Sussex:* Neil Pringle **9.00** Danny Pike **12.00** Allison Ferns **4.00pm–7.00** Sarah Gorrell *Surrey only:* **5.00** Mike Buxton; **6.00–7.00** The Rewind. **7.00** The Big Take Over **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5am Concert **6.00** *Surrey:* James Cannon; *Sussex:* Neil Pringle **10.00** Lesley McCabe **1.00pm** Father Christmas **2.00** Sarah Gorrell **6.00** Carols **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Paul Miller **1am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
5.00am Jukebox **6.00** Neil Pringle **10.00** Carols **11.00** David Miller **3.00pm** Angus Moorat **6.00** A Grand Day out **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
5am My Radio1 **6.00** Community Heroes **7.00** Mark Carter **9.00** David Hamilton **12.00** Sport **6.00** Evening Show **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Paul Miller **1am** *as 5 ive*

Friday 27
5am My Radio1 **6.00** Mark Carter **10.00** David Hamilton **2pm** Joe Talbot **6.00** Jimmy Peters **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Paul Miller **1am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Sat 21 except: **6.00am** Joe Talbot **9.00** Graham Dene **12.00–6.00pm** Sport

Sunday 29
as 22 except: **6.00–9.00am** Mike Buxton **1pm–5.00** Sunday Lunch **5.00–9.00** David Miller

Monday 30
5.00am My Radio1 **6.00** James Cannon **10.00** Allison Ferns **2pm** Sarah Gorrell **6.00** Evening Show **7.00** Bibi Lynch **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
as Mon 30 except: **6.00am–10.00** Danny Pike **6.00–7.00pm** Wurzel Gummidge

New Year's Day
5.00am Early Start **6.00** Danny Pike **9.00** Mike Buxton **12.00pm** Sport **6.00** Evening Show **7.00** Sport **10.00** Paul Miller **1am** *5 Live*

Thursday 2
5.00am Early Start **6.00** *Surrey:* Mike Buxton / Clare Cowan; *Sussex:* Neil Pringle **9.00** Danny Pike **12.00** Allison Ferns **4pm–7** Sarah Gorrell *Surrey only:* **5.00** Mike Buxton; **6.00–7.00** The Rewind. **7.00** Politix and Chill **8.00** Lewis Mason **10.00** Paul Miller **1am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 3
as Thu 2 except: **12.00–4pm** Joe Talbot **7.00** Something for the Weekend **9.00–10.00** Lost in Music

Three Counties

Saturday 21
6.00am Breakfast **9.00** Treasure Quest **12.00** Mike Naylor **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Rock 'n' Roll **8.00** Introducing **9.00** Justin Dealey **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6am Nana Akua **9.00** Tony Hadley **11.00** Kitchen **1pm** Tara Dolby; *FM 90.4/92.1/94.7/103.8/DAB:* Sport **2.00** Keith Greentree **4.00** John Leech **6.00** Yasmeen Khan **8.00** Edward Adoo **10.00** Keith Skues **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
4am Wally Webb **6.00** Andy Collins **9.00** Stuart Miles **12.00** Nick Coffer **3pm** Roberto Perrone **6.00** Sport **7.00** Level 23 **8.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Nick Risby **1am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
as Mon 23 except: **6pm** People's Award **7.00–8.00** Tara Dolby **10.00–1am** Steve Springett

Christmas Day
6am Carols **7.00** Gareth Lloyd **10.00** Justin and Marina **12.00** Colin Berry **1.00pm** Anything but Coldplay! **2.00** Ed Adoo **5.00** Christmas Concert **6.00** A Grand Day Out **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
4am Wally Webb **6.00** Gareth Lloyd **9.00** Ed Adoo **12.00** New Voices **2pm** Sport **6.00** New Voices **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
as Mon 23 except: **12.00** Jayne Middlemiss **3pm** Mum Goes Green **4.00** Roberto Perrone **6.00** Kady Braine **7.00–10.00** Nana Akua

Saturday 28
as Sat 21 except: **9am–12.00** Sara Thornton **2pm–6.00** Sport

Sunday 29
as Sun 22 except: **2pm–6.00** Sport

Monday 30
as Mon 23 except: **12.00** Jayne Middlemiss **3pm** Hannah Mullane **4.00** Roberto Perrone **6.00** Shemiza Rashid **7.00–10.00** Nana Akua

New Year's Eve
4am Wally Webb **6.00** Andy Collins **9.00** Stuart Miles **12.00** Jayne Middlemiss **3pm** Hannah Mullane **4.00** Roberto Perrone **6.00** New Voices **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Jayne Middlemiss **9.00** Katrina Ridley & Chris Milligan **12.00** Sport **6.00** Grace Adeniji **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2
4.00am Wally Webb **6.00** Andy Collins **9.00** Stuart Miles **12.00** Nick Coffer **3.00pm** Roberto Perrone **7.00** Introducing **8.00** Jaguar and Danny **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 3
as Thursday 2 except: **7.00pm** Anything but Coldplay! **8.00** Katrina Ridley & Chris Milligan **9.00–10.00** Justin Dealey

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Saturday 21/Saturday 28
5.00am Nina Das Gupta **7.00** Mollie Green **10.00** Richie Anderson **12.00** Pete Waterman **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Network Gold **8.00** Introducing **10.00** Alex Lester **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6am Sior Coleman **7.00** Llewela Bailey **9.00** Foxy and Giuliano **12.00** The Other Side Of **1.00pm** Soul and Motown **3.00** Bob Brolly **6.00** Gagan Grewal **8.00** Nikki Tapper **10.00** Graham Torrington **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5am Mollie Green **6.00** Kathryn Stanczyszyn **9.00** Danny Kelly **12.00** Elise Evans **2pm** Sunny and Shay **4.00** John Fox **7.00** Natalie Graham **10.00** Graham Torrington **1am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
as Mon 23 except: **6pm** Carols **7.00–10.00** Rakeem

Christmas Day
5am Sior Coleman **6.00** Sunny and Shay **9.00** Carol Concert **10.00** Bob Brolly **1.00pm** Pete Waterman **3.00** Christmas **4.00** The Other Side Of **5.00** Grace Smith **7.00** Sasha Simone **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
5.00am Mollie Green **6.00** Sunny and Shay **9.00** Chris Blakemore **12.00** Jazz **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Motown Story **7.00** Melzy J **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
as Mon 23 except: **9am–12.00** Chris Blakemore **2pm** Jo Tidman **4.00** Richie Anderson **7.00** Sport **10.00** Colin Young **1am–3.00** Reggae

Sunday 29
as Sun 22 except: **9am–12.00** Elise and Giuliano **2.00** Sport **6.30–8.00** Gagan Grewal **10.00–1am** Gagan Grewal

Monday 30
5.00am Mollie Green **6.00** Sam and Daz **9.00** Elise Evans **12.00** Caroline Martin **2.00pm** Sunny and Shay **4.00** Adrian Goldberg **7.00** Natalie Graham **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
as Monday 30 except: **7.00–10.00pm** Rakeem

New Year's Day
as Monday 30 except: **12.00** Sport **6.00pm** Motown Story **7.00–10.00** Sasha Simone

Thursday 2
5.00am Mollie Green **6.00** Sam and Daz **9.00** Danny Kelly **12.00** Caroline Martin **2.00pm** Sunny and Shay **4.00** Paul Franks **5.30** Football Phone-in **7.00** Melzy J **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 3
as Thu 2 except: **2.00pm–4.00** Foxy **7.00** Lady Lisa **10.00** Colin Young **1am** Reggae **3.00** *as 5 Live*

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Berkshire

Saturday 21
6.00am Bridgitte Tetteh **9.00** Andrew Peach **12.00** In Other News **1.00pm** Sport **6.00** Stereo Underground **8.00** Introducing **9.00** David Allen **12.00** Paul Miller **2.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Paul Coia **9.00** Debbie McGee **11.00** Bill Buckley **2.00pm** Henry Wymbs **5.00** David Miller **7.00** Paul Miller **8.00** Bridgitte Tetteh **9.00** Bill Rennells **12.00** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.30am Steve Madden **7.00** Andrew Peach **10.00** Kirsten O'Brien **1.00pm** Bill Buckley **4.00** Phil Kennedy **7.00** Michelle on the Move **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
6.00am Vernon Harwood **10.00** Steve Madden **1.00pm** Bill Buckley **4.00** Bridgitte Tetteh **7.00** Michelle on the Move **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Vernon Harwood **9.00** Carols **10.00** Bill Buckley **1.00pm** Tony Gillham **3.00** Al Ryan **5.00** Will Banks **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Vernon Harwood **10.00** Sarah Walker **1.00pm** Bill Buckley **4.00** Trickster **6.00** Sport **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Vernon Harwood **10.00** Tony Blackburn **1.00pm** Bill Buckley **4.00** Sarah Walker **7.00** Mums without Makeup **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
6.00am–9.00 Sarah Walker **12.00** Phil Kennedy **3.00pm–6.00** Paul Coia

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
2.00pm Sport **6.00–7.00** David Miller

Monday 30
as Monday 23 except:
6.00am Vernon Harwood **10.00–1.00pm** Bridgitte Tetteh

New Year's Eve
6.00am Vernon Harwood **10.00** Bridgitte Tetteh **1.00pm** Bill Buckley **4.00** Phil Kennedy **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Michelle Jordan **10.00** Bill Buckley **1.00pm** Sport **7.00** Trickster **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2
5.30am Steve Madden **7.00** Kirsten O'Brien **10.00** Sarah Walker **1.00pm** Bill Buckley **4.00** Phil Kennedy **7.00** Michelle on the Move **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 3
as Friday 27 except:
5.30am Steve Madden **7.00–10.00** Andrew Peach **4.00pm** Phil Kennedy **6.00–7.00** Weekend Kick-Off

Bristol

Saturday 21
4.00am BCFM **5.00** Martin Evans **6.00** Ali Vowles **9.00** James Hanson **11.00** Laura Rawlings **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Boogie **8.00** Introducing **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** Introducing **3.00** Ujima Radio

Sunday 22
4.00am Somer Valley FM **5.00** Martin Evans **6.00** Lucy Tegg **9.00** Clueless **11.30** Sport **5.00pm** Vintage Chart **6.00** Manny Masih **8.00** Kevin Philemon **10.00** Geoff Barker **12.00** Folk **1.00am** Brass **2.00** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am Joe Lemer **6.30** Emma Britton **9.00** John Darvall **12.00** Steve Yabsley **3.00pm** Claire Cavanagh **6.00** Geoff Twentyman **7.00** Upload **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5.00am Joe Lemer **6.30** Emma Britton **9.00** John Darvall **12.00** Steve Yabsley **3.00pm** Claire Cavanagh **6.00** Christmas Celebration **7.00** Upload **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Emma Britton **9.00** Christmas Celebration (R) **10.00** Jonathan Ray **1.00pm** Tom Clarke **3.00** The Queen **3.05** Toby Buckland (R) **5.00** David White **7.00** House Party **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Jonathan Ray **9.00** Martin Evans **12.00** Steve Yabsley **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** My Radio1 **7.00** Balloon Fiesta **8.00** Clueless Special **9.00** When the Moon Came to Bristol **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Jonathan Ray **9.00** Martin Evans **12.00** Steve Yabsley **3.00pm** Claire Cavanagh **6.00** Bristol Pride **7.00** Sport **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
6.00am–9.00 Jonathan Ray **11.00–2.00pm** Martin Evans **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
6.00am Jonathan Ray **10.00** Richard Lewis **1.00pm** Sports Review **2.00–6.00** Sport

Monday 30
as Monday 23 except:
6.00am–9.00 Joe Lemer **6.00pm–7.00** Jimmy Peters

New Year's Eve
6.00am Joe Lemer **9.00** John Darvall **12.00** Steve Yabsley **3.00pm** Claire Cavanagh **6.00** A Grand Day Out **7.00** Upload **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Jonathan Ray **9.00** Paris Troy **12.00** Steve Yabsley **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Balloon Fiesta (R) **7.00** Upload **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
5.00am Martin Evans **6.30** Joe Lemer **9.00** John Darvall **12.00** Steve Yabsley **3.00pm** Claire Cavanagh **6.00** Geoff Twentyman **7.00** Upload **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*; **Fri:** Beats **3.00** Ujima

BBC SOMERSET
as Bristol except:

Saturday 21
6.00am Salvation Army Concert **7.00** Simon Parkin **10.00** Charlie Taylor **1.00pm–2.00** Retro Show **9.00–1.00am** Rick Edwards

Monday 23
6.00am Andy Bennett **9.00** Simon Parkin **12.00** Back Tracks **1.00pm** Jonathan Ray **4.00** Matt Faulkner **7.00–10.00** Charlie Taylor

Christmas Eve
6.00am Andy Bennett **9.00** Celebration **10.00** Simon Parkin **12.00** Back Tracks **1.00pm** Jonathan Ray **4.00** Matt Faulkner **7.00–10.00** Evening Show

Christmas Day
6.00am Celebration **7.00–10.00** Andy Bennett

Boxing Day
6.00am–9.00 Caroline Cook **12.00** Multi Story **1.00pm–2.00** Somerset at Lords **6.00** Road Trip **7.00** Clueless **8.00** Charlie Taylor **9.00–10.00** Multi Story (R)

Friday 27
6.00am Andy Bennett **9.00** Waterways **10.00** Simon Parkin **12.00** Back Tracks **1.00pm** Jonathan Ray **4.00** Luke Knight **7.00–10.00** Charlie Taylor

Saturday 28
6.00am Sports Review **7.00** Simon Parkin **10.00** Luke Knight **1.00pm–2.00** Retro Show **9.00–1.00am** Rick Edwards

Monday 30
6.00am Caroline Cook **9.00** Pride of Somerset Awards (R) **10.00** Vicki Clark **12.00** Back Tracks **1.00pm** Charlie Taylor **4.00** Matt Faulkner **7.00–10.00** Trish Campbell

New Year's Eve
6.00am Caroline Cook **9.00** Road Trip (R) **10.00** Vicki Clark **12.00** Back Tracks **1.00pm** Charlie Taylor **4.00** Matt Faulkner **6.00** Chic and Nile Rodgers **7.00–10.00** Evening Show

New Year's Day
6.00am Caroline Cook **9.00** Charlie Taylor (R) **10.00** Vicki Clark **12.00** Back Tracks **1.00pm–2.00** A Grand Day Out **6.00** Waterways (R) **7.00–10.00** Evening Show

Thursday 2/Friday 3
5.00am Martin Evans **6.00** Claire Carter **9.00** Vicki Clark **12.00** Back Tracks **1.00pm** Charlie Taylor **4.00** Matt Faulkner **7.00–10.00** Trish Campbell

Cornwall

Saturday 21
6.00am Donna Birrell **9.00** Jack Murley **12.00** Freddy Zapp **2.00pm** Sport **6.05** Boogie **8.00** Introducing **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Faith Programme **9.00** Jack Murley **12.00** Requests **2.00pm** John Prowse and Steve Penhaligon **2.05** Sport **5.00** Vintage Chart **6.00** Geoff Barker **8.00** Brass **9.00** Tim Manns **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
6.00am Naomi Kennedy **7.00** Julie Skentelbery **10.00** James Dundon **1.00pm** Martin Bailie **4.00** Emma Gill **7.00** Dan Pascoe **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
6.00am Naomi Kennedy **7.00** Julie Skentelbery **10.00** James Dundon **1.00pm** Martin Bailie **3.00** Debbie McCrory **6.00** Service **7.00** Toby Buckland **9.00** Matt Rogers **12.00** Service **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
7.00am Donna Birrell **10.00** Service (R) **11.00** David White **3.00pm** The Queen **3.05** Toby Buckland (R) **5.00** David White **7.00** House Party **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
7.00am Julie Skentelbery **10.00** David White **1.00pm** A Grand Day Out **2.00** Sport **6.00** Salvation Army Concert **7.00** Tiffany Truscott **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Matt Shepherd **7.00** Julie Skentelbery **10.00** David White **1.00pm** Emma Gill **3.00** Debbie McCrory **6.00** Multi Story **7.00** Tiffany Truscott **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
6.00am–9.00 Joanna Twist

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
2.05pm Cornwall Connected **4.00–6.00** Vintage Chart

Monday 30
6.00am Matt Shepherd **7.00** James Churchfield **10.00** David White **1.00pm** Laurence Reed **3.00** Debbie McCrory **6.00** Early Evening **7.00** Dan Pascoe **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
6.00am Matt Shepherd **7.00** James Churchfield **10.00** David White **1.00pm** Phone-in **3.00** Debbie McCrory **6.00** Rugby **7.00** Chic **9.00** Matt Rogers and Victoria Leigh **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
7.00am James Churchfield **10.00** David White **1.00pm** Kath and Aimee **3.00** James Dundon **6.00** A Grand Day Out (R) **7.00** Tiffany Truscott **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
6.00am Dan Pascoe; **Fri:** Matt Shepherd **7.00** James Churchfield **10.00** David White **1.00pm** Phone-in **3.00** Debbie McCrory **6.00** Early Evening Show **7.00** Tiffany Truscott **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Devon

Saturday 21
6.00am Caroline Cook **9.00** The Golden Hour **10.00** Kerry White **12.00** Richard Green **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Boogie **8.00** Introducing **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Farming **6.30** Angela Kalwaites **9.00** Toby Buckland **12.00** Caroline Cook **3.00pm** Bit More Fitz **4.00** Vintage Chart **6.00** Geoff Barker **8.00** Brass **9.00** Tim Manns **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
6.00am Gordon Sparks and Laura James **9.00** Golden Hour **10.00** Toby Buckland **1.00pm** Janet Kipling **3.00** Rick Edwards **5.00** Caroline Cook **7.00** Ally Reeve **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
6.00am Gordon Sparks **10.00** Janet Kipling **1.00pm** Star for Christmas **2.00** Rick Edwards **5.00** Caroline Cook **7.00** Toby Buckland **9.00** Matt Rogers **12.00** Service **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Gordon Sparks **9.00** Golden Hour **10.00** Service (R) **11.00** Janet Kipling **2pm** Star for Christmas (R) **3.00** The Queen **3.05** Toby Buckland **5.00** David White **7.00** House Party **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Gordon Sparks **9.00** Golden Hour **10.00** Janet Kipling **1.00pm** New Voices **2.00** Sport **6.00** Marc Ryan **7.00** A Grand Day Out **8.00** Nile Rodgers and Chic **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Gordon Sparks **9.00** Golden Hour **10.00** Matt Rogers **1.00pm** Rick Edwards **4.00** Caroline Cook **7.00** Ally Reeve **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
6.00am Caroline Cook **9.00** Golden Hour **10.00** Matt Rogers **12.00** Richard Green **2.00pm** Charlie Price **6.00** Boogie **8.00** Introducing **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 29
6.00am Farming **6.30** Angela Kalwaites **9.00** Toby Buckland **12.00** Caroline Cook **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Geoff Barker **8.00** Brass **9.00** Tim Manns **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 30
6.00am Laura James **9.00** The Golden Hour **10.00** David FitzGerald **1.00pm** Matt Woodley **3.00** Charlie Price **5.00** Pippa Quelch **7.00** Ally Reeve **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as Radio 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
6.00am Laura James **9.00** The Golden Hour **10.00** David FitzGerald **1.00pm** Matt Woodley **3.00** Charlie Price **5.00** Pippa Quelch **7.00** Let's Get the Party Started **9.00** Matt Rogers and Victoria Leigh **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Laura James **9.00** The Golden Hour **10.00** David FitzGerald **1.00pm** New Voices (R) **2.00** Sport **6.00** A Grand Day Out **7.00** Matt Tancock **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
as Monday 30 except:
6.00am–9.00 Gordon Sparks and Laura James **7.00pm–10.00** Sarah Gosling

Essex

Saturday 21
6.00am Emma Bullimore **9.00** Planet Ray **11.00** Ken Crowther **12.00** Ronnie Barbour **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Rock 'n' Roll Heaven **8.00** Introducing **9.00** Justin Dealey **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22/Sunday 29
6.00am Peter Holmes **9.00** The Essex Quest **12.00** Mark Punter **2.00pm** Keith Greentree **4.00** John Leech **7.00** Sue Marchant **10.00** Keith Skues **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
4.00am Rob Jelly **6.00** Ben and Sonia **9.00** Alex Lester **12.00** Tony Fisher **4.00pm** Dave Monk **7.00** Your Essex **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
4.00am Rob Jelly **6.00** Ben and Sonia **9.00** Alex Lester **12.00** Tony Fisher **4.00pm** Dave Monk **6.00** Carols **7.00** Your Essex **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Carols (R) **7.00** Steve and Ian **10.00** Benson **12.00** John Rose **2.00pm** Ed Adoo **5.00** Early Evening Show **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
5.00am An Unforgettable Summer **7.00** Steve and Ian **10.00** Hashtag Essex **12.00** John Rose **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** How the Double Was Won **7.00** Your Essex **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
4.00am Matt Wade **6.00** Steve and Ian **9.00** Alex Lester **12.00** Rob Jelly **4.00pm** Emma Bullimore **7.00** John Leech **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
6.00am Steve and Ian **9.00–11.00** Planet Ray **2.00pm–6.00** Matt Mackay

Monday 30
as Monday 23 except:
12.00–4.00pm Steve Scruton

New Year's Eve
4.00am Rob Jelly **6.00** Ian and Sonia **9.00** Alex Lester **12.00** Steve Scruton **4.00pm** Dave Monk **7.00** Your Essex **10.00** John Leech **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
5.00am Nariece Sanderson **7.00** Steve and Ian **10.00** An Unforgettable Summer (R) **12.00** Tony Fisher **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** How the Double Was Won (R) **7.00** Your Essex **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

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Thursday 2/Friday 3
4.00am Rob Jelly **6.00** Ian and Sonia **9.00** Alex Lester **12.00** Steve Scruton; **Fri:** Tony Fisher **4.00pm** Dave Monk **7.00** Your Essex; **Fri:** John Leech **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Gloucestershire

Saturday 21/Saturday 28
5.00am Early Breakfast **6.00** Steve Kitchen **9.00** Faye Hatcher **12.00** David Smith **2.30pm** Matchday **6.00** Boogie **8.00** Introducing **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
5.00am Jo Durrant **6.00** Richard Atkins **9.00** Kristina Thornton **12.00** Pete Wilson **1.00pm** Warren Moore **4.00** Vintage Chart **6.00** Manny Masih **8.00** Kevin Philemon **10.00** Geoff Barker **12.00** Johnny Coppin **1.00am** Brass **2.00** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.30am Joe Lemer **6.00** Mark Cummings **9.00** Anna King **12.00** Dominic Cotter **3.00pm** Nicky Price **6.00** Keep the Blue Moon Shining **7.00** Sophia Franklin **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5.30am Joe Lemer **6.00** Mark Cummings **9.00** Nicky Price **12.00** Dominic Cotter **3.00pm** Steve Kitchen **6.00** Celebration **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
5.00am Salvation Army Concert **6.00** Richard Atkins **9.00** Celebration (R) **10.00** Steve Kitchen **1.00pm** Tom Clarke **3.00** The Queen **3.05** Toby Buckland **5.00** David White **7.00** House Party **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
5.00am Mark Jones **6.00** Steve Kitchen **9.00** Anna King **12.00** Jo Durrant **2.00pm** Matchday **6.00** Hattie Briggs Documentary **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
5.00am Mark Jones **6.00** Steve Kitchen **9.00** Anna King **12.00** Jo Durrant **3.00pm** David Smith **6.00** Album Day **7.00** Jon Smith **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
6.00am–9.00 Mark Smith **1.00pm** Beautiful Universe **2.00–6.00** Matchday

Monday 30
5.00am Sean Smith **6.00** David Smith **9.00** Anna King **12.00** Dominic Cotter **3.00pm** Nicky Price **6.00** Race Night **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
5.00am Sean Smith **6.00** David Smith **9.00** Jon Smith **12.00** Jo Durrant **3.00pm** Warren Moore **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Disco **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
5.00am Mark Jones **6.00** Mark Cummings **7.00** Mark Smith **10.30** Jo Durrant **2.00pm** Matchday **6.00** Seablings Row the Atlantic **7.00** Sophia Franklin **10.00** Jon Smith **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
5.30am Martin Evans **6.00** Mark Cummings **9.00** Anna King **12.00** Dominic Cotter **3.00pm** Nicky Price **5.00** Steve Kitchen **7.00** Sophia Franklin **10.00** Jon Smith **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Guernsey

Saturday 21
6.00am Isla Blatchford **9.00** Charlie McArdle **12.00** Tony Gillham **2.00pm** Sportscene **6.00** David White **8.00** Tim Hunter **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22/Sunday 29
6.00am Matthew Price **9.00** Fiona Le Tissier **11.00** Chris Bougourd **2.00pm** Tony Gillham **4.00** Richard Green **6.00** Geoff Barker **8.00** Brass **9.00** Tim Manns **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
6.00am Edward Rowe **9.00** John Randall **1.00pm** Luke Webb **4.00** James Rabey **7.00** Sydney Henley-Roussel **9.00** The Sun Lounge **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
6.00am Edward Rowe **9.00** John Randall **12.00** Festival **1.00pm** Luke Webb **4.00** Hamish Marett-Crosby **6.00** Nine Lessons and Carols **7.00** Sydney Henley-Roussel **9.00** Shuffle **10.00** Matt Rogers **12.00** Carols **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
5.00am Nine Lessons and Carols (R) **6.00** Edward Rowe **9.00** Carol Concert **10.00** Chris Bougourd **1.00pm** Tim Pollard **3.00** The Queen **3.10** Luke Webb **6.00** Ted Reynolds **7.00** Tim and Sydney **9.00** Shuffle **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Edward Rowe **9.00** Chris Bougourd **12.00** Carols (R) **1.00pm** Fiona Le Tissier **3.00** Geoff Barker **5.00** Ted Reynolds **7.00** Tim and Sydney **9.00** Shuffle **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Edward Rowe **9.00** John Randall **12.00** Festival (R) **1.00pm** Luke Webb **4.00** James Rabey **7.00** Sydney Henley-Roussel **9.00** Shuffle **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
6.00am Edward Rowe **9.00–12.00** Jon Ozanne **8.00pm–10.00** Tom Girard

Monday 30
as Monday 23 except:
6.00am–9.00 Oscar Pearson **4.00pm** Eliza Philippidis **7.00–10.00** Tim and Sydney

New Year's Eve
6.00am Oscar Pearson **9.00** John Randall **1.00pm** Luke Webb **4.00** Eliza Philippidis **7.00** Tim and Sydney **9.00** Shuffle **10.00** Matt Rogers and Victoria Leigh **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Oscar Pearson **9.00** Jenny Kendall-Tobias **1.00pm** James Hand **3.00** Blues **5.00** Ted Reynolds **7.00** Tim Hunter **9.00** Shuffle **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
6.00am Oscar Pearson **9.00** Jenny Kendall-Tobias **1.00pm** James Rabey **4.00** Eliza Philippidis **7.00** Tim and Sydney **9.00** Shuffle **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Hereford/Worcester

Saturday 21/Saturday 28
6.00am Andrew Easton **9.00** Dave Bradley **11.00** Toni McDonald **2.00pm** Trevor Owens **3.00** *FM 94.7/104/104.6/DAB* Sport **6.00** Richard Searling **8.00** Introducing **10.00** Alex Lester **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am John Hellings **7.00** Kate Justice **9.00** Tammy Gooding **12.00** Jonathan Ray **3.00pm** Mike Wyer **6.00** Andrew Marston **8.00** John Hellings **10.00** Graham Torrington **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am Andrew Nash **6.00** Elliott and Toni **9.00** Elliott Webb **10.00** Andrew Easton **1.00pm** Donna Alos **4.00** Richard Hurst **7.00** Kate Justice **10.00** Graham Torrington **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5.00am Andrew Nash **6.00** Elliott and Toni **9.00** Elliott Webb **10.00** Andrew Easton **1.00pm** Lizzie Crow **4.00** Richard Hurst **6.00** Celebration **8.00** Kate Justice **10.00** Graham Torrington **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Andrew Easton **9.00** Dave Bradley **12.00** Afternoon Show **7.00pm** Kate Justice **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Dave Bradley **9.00** Andrew Easton **12.00** Lunchtime Show **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Early Evening Show **7.00** Kate Justice **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Kate Justice **10.00** Andrew Easton **1.00pm** Nina Das Gupta **4.00** Richard Hurst **7.00** Kate Justice **10.00** Colin Young **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
9.00 Malcolm Boyden **12.00–3.00pm** Lizzie Crow **10.00–1.00am** Gagan Grewal

Monday 30
6.00am Toni McDonald **10.00** Malcolm Boyden **1.00pm** Tammy Gooding **4.00** Richard Hurst **7.00** Kate Justice **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
6.00am Toni McDonald **10.00** Malcolm Boyden **1.00pm** Tammy Gooding **4.00** Richard Hurst **7.00** Kate Justice **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Tammy Gooding **10.00** Donna Alos **1.00pm** Afternoon Show **2.00** Trevor Owens **3.00** *FM104/104.6/DAB* Sport **6.00** Early Evening Show **7.00** Kate Justice **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
as Monday 30 except: **5.00am** Andrew Nash **6.00** Elliott and Toni **9.00–10.00** Elliott Webb **4.00pm–7.00** Andrew Easton **Fri: 10.00–1.00am** Colin Young

Jersey

Saturday 21
6.00am Matthew Price **9.00** Charlie McArdle **12.00** Tony Gillham **2.00pm** Sportscene **6.00** David White **8.00** Tim Hunter **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22/Sunday 29
6.00am Matthew Price **9.00** Christina Ghidoni **1.00pm** Tony Gillham **2.00** Phil Taylor **4.00** Richard Green **6.00** Geoff Barker **8.00** Sounds of Brass **9.00** Tim Manns **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
6.00am Ashlea Tracey **9.00** Carrie Cooper **1.00pm** Cathy Le Feuvre **4.00** Sarah Bailey **7.00** Sydney Henley-Roussel **9.00** Sun Lounge **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
6.00am Ashlea Tracey **9.00** Carrie Cooper **12.00** Festival **1.00pm** Cathy Le Feuvre **4.00** Hamish Marett-Crosby **6.00** Nine Lessons and Carols **7.00** Sydney Henley-Roussel **9.00** Shuffle **10.00** Matt Rogers **12.00** Carols **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
5.00am Carols (R) **6.00** Ashlea Tracey **9.00** Carols **10.00** Carrie Cooper **1.00pm** Tim Pollard **3.00** The Queen **3.10** Luke Webb **5.00** Ted Reynolds **7.00** Tim and Sydney **9.00** Shuffle **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Sarah Bailey **9.00** Carrie Cooper **12.00** Carols (R) **1.00pm** Fiona Le Tissier **3.00** Geoff Barker **4.00** Ted Reynolds **7.00** Tim and Sydney **9.00** Shuffle **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Sarah Bailey **9.00** Carrie Cooper **12.00** Festival (R) **1.00pm** Cathy Le Feuvre **4.00** Chantal Hartle **7.00** Sydney Henley-Roussel **9.00** Shuffle **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
6.00am Sarah Bailey **9.00–12.00** Jon Ozanne **8.00pm–10.00** Tom Girard

Monday 30
6.00am Ashlea Tracey **9.00** Carrie Cooper **1.00pm** Cathy Le Feuvre **4.00** Sarah Bailey **7.00** Tim and Sydney **9.00** The Sun Lounge **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
6.00am Ashlea Tracey **9.00** Carrie Cooper **1.00pm** Cathy Le Feuvre **4.00** Sarah Bailey **7.00** Tim and Sydney **9.00** Shuffle **10.00** Matt Rogers and Victoria Leigh **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Matthew Price **9.00** Carrie Cooper **1.00pm** James Hand **3.00** Journey to the Heart of the Blues **5.00** Ted Reynolds **7.00** Tim Hunter **9.00** Shuffle **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
6.00am Ashlea Tracey **9.00** Carrie Cooper **1.00pm** Cathy Le Feuvre **4.00** Sarah Bailey **7.00** Tim and Sydney **9.00** Shuffle **10.00** David Sheppard **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Kent

Saturday 21
6.00am Pat Marsh **10.00** Jon Holmes **12.00** Phil Harrison **2.00pm** Sports Hub **6.00** Roger Day **8.00** Introducing **9.00** Justin Dealey **1.00am** Sean Rowley **2.00** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
5.30am Hymns **6.00** Breakfast **8.00** Gardening **11.00** Lembit Opik **2.00pm** Dominic King **3.00** Julia George **5.00** Daryl Denham **9.00** Kent Folk **10.00** Bill Rennells **12.00** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am The Early Call **6.00** Anna Cookson **9.00** Julia George **12.00** Steve Denyer **3.00pm** Leo Ulph **6.00** Anna Louise **9.00** On the Air With **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5.00am The Early Call **6.00** Anna Cookson **9.00** Lembit Opik **12.00** Steve Denyer **3.00pm** Leo Ulph **6.00** Carols **7.00** Anna Louise **9.00** On the Air With **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Carols (R) **7.00** Daryl Denham **10.00** Lembit Opik **1.00pm** Carols (R) **2.00** Mike and Phil **4.00** Review **6.00** Dominic King **9.00** On the Air With **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Daryl Denham **9.00** Lembit Opik **12.00** Two Decades Late **1.00pm** A Grand Day Out **2.00** Sports Hub **6.00** Anna Louise **9.00** On the Air With **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Daryl Denham **9.00** Lembit Opik **12.00** Steve Denyer **3.00pm** Leo Ulph **6.00** Access All Areas **8.00** Kent Sessions **9.00** On the Air With **10.00** Steve N Allen **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
6.00am–10.00 Daryl Denham **12.00–2.00pm** Leo Ulph

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
2.00pm Two Decades Late **3.00–5.00** Multi Story

Monday 30
as Monday 23 except:
5.00am–6.00 *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
6.00am Anna Cookson **9.00** Julia George **12.00** Steve Denyer **3.00pm** Leo Ulph **6.00** Dominic King **9.00** Anna Louise **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Esther Higham **9.00** Lembit Opik **12.00** Two Decades Late **1.00pm** Jimmy Peters **2.00** Sports Hub **6.00** Anna Louise **9.00** On the Air **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2
as Monday 23 except:
5.00am–6.00 *as 5 Live* **3.00pm–6.00** John Warnett

Friday 3
as Friday 27 except:
6.00am–9.00 Anna Cookson **3.00pm–6.00** John Warnett

London

Saturday 21
6.00am Jo Good **7.00** Carrie and David Grant **10.00** Robert Elms **1.00pm** A to Z **2.00** Sport **6.00** Gary Crowley **8.00** Introducing **10.00** Sunny and Shay **2.00am** Jim Davis

Sunday 22
6.00am Inspirit **9.00** Tim Arthur **12.00** Soul **3.00pm** Gaby Roslin **5.00** A to Z **6.00** Sunny and Shay **8.00** Dotun Adebayo **10.00** Duncan Barkes **1.00am** Jim Davis

Monday 23
4.00am Jason Rosam **7.00** Petrie Hosken **10.00** Robert Elms **1.30pm** Jo Good **5.00** Eddie Nestor **8.00** Scene **10.00** Duncan Barkes **1.00am** Paul Osbourne

Christmas Eve
4.00am Jason Rosam **7.00** Petrie Hosken **10.00** Robert Elms **1.30pm** Jo Good **5.00** Eddie Nestor **8.00** Scene **10.00** David Prever **1.00am** Dotun Adebayo

Christmas Day
4.00am Multi Story **6.00** Inspirit **9.00** Christmas Day **12.00** Multi Story **1.00pm** Wallace and Gromit **2.00** Salvation Army Concert **3.00** The Queen **3.10** My London **4.00** Robert Elms **6.00** Jo Good **8.00** Scene **10.00** David Prever **1.00am** Dotun Adebayo

Boxing Day
4.00am Jason Rosam **7.00** Jim Davis **10.00** Robert Elms **12.00** Sport **10.00pm** David Prever **1.00am** Dotun Adebayo

Friday 27/Friday 3
4.00am Jason Rosam **7.00** Petrie Hosken **10.00** Robert Elms **1.30pm** Claira Hermet

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5.00 Eddie Nestor **7.00** Women's Sports **8.00** Scene **10.00** Sunny and Shay **2.00am** Jim Davis

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
7.00am–10.00 Jason and Samantha **1.00pm** My London **2.00–8.00** Sport

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
5.00pm–6.00 My London

Monday 30
as Monday 23 except:
1.30pm–5.00 Claira Hermet **1.00am** Jim Davis

New Year's Eve
4.00am Jason Rosam **7.00** Petrie Hosken **10.00** Robert Elms **1.30pm** Tim Arthur **5.00** Eddie Nestor **8.00** Scene **10.00** Sunny and Shay **1.00am** Dotun Adebayo

New Year's Day
4.00am Jason Rosam **7.00** Petrie Hosken **10.00** Robert Elms **12.00** Sport **8.00pm** The Scene **10.00** Duncan Barkes **1.00am** Dotun Adebayo

Thursday 2
as Monday 23 except:
1.30pm–5.00 Claira Hermet **1.00am** Dotun Adebayo

Oxford

Saturday 21
6.00am Adam and Michelle **9.00** James Watt **12.00** 80s **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Stereo Underground **8.00** Introducing **9.00** David Allen **12.00** Paul Miller **2.00am** Dance Dungeon **4.00** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Sophie Law **9.00** Find It or Forfeit **12.00** Tony Gillham **2.00pm** 80s **4.00** Al Ryan **6.00** Henry Wymbs **9.00** Bill Rennells **12.00** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
6.00am David Prever **9.00** Lilley Mitchell **12.00** James Watt **3.00pm** Adam Ball **6.00** Funny Side of Christmas **7.00** Michelle Jordan **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
6.00am David Prever **9.00** Lilley Mitchell **12.00** Carols **1.00pm** James Watt **3.00** Adam Ball **6.00** Salvation Army Concert **7.00** Michelle Jordan **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Salvation Army Concert (R) **7.00** Danny Cox **10.00** Kat's Crackers **12.00** Carols **1.00pm** Tony Gillham **3.00** Al Ryan **5.00** Will Banks **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Danny Cox **9.00** Adam and Michelle **12.00** Tony Gillham **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** 90s **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Danny Cox **9.00** Adam and Lisa **12.00** Tim Boswell **3.00pm** James Watt **6.00** Living for the Weekend **9.00** DJ G **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
2.00pm–6.00 Marie Indge

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
2.00pm Sport **5.00** Best of Sportsnight **7.00–9.00** 80s

Monday 30
as Monday 23 except:
6.00pm Laurie Bailey **7.00–10.00** Pat Sharp

New Year's Eve
6.00am David Prever **9.00** Lilley Mitchell **12.00** James Watt **3.00pm** Adam Ball **6.00** DJ G **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Danny Cox **9.00** Ali Jones **12.00** 80s **2.00pm** Sport **5.30** 90s **8.00** Dance Dungeon **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2
6.00am Danny Cox **9.00** Ali Jones **12.00** Lilley Mitchell **3.00pm** Adam Ball **6.00** The New Forty **7.00** Michelle Jordan **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 3
6.00am David Prever **9.00** Ali Jones **12.00** Lilley Mitchell **3.00pm** Adam Ball **6.00** Living for the Weekend **9.00** DJ G **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Radio Solent

Saturday 21
6.00am Katie Martin **9.00** Alex Dyke **12.00** Jono Holmes **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Stereo Underground **8.00** Introducing **9.00** David Allen **12.00** Paul Miller **2.00am** Dance Dungeon **4.00** Showstoppers

Sunday 22
6.00am Tim Daykin **9.00** Pat Sissons **12.00** Kitchen Garden **2.00pm** Lucy Ambache **5.00** Showstoppers **7.00** Cartridge Years **9.00** Nicky Horne **12.00** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am Simon Clarke **6.30** Pat Sissons **10.00** Alun Newman and Lou Hannan **1.00pm** Alex Dyke **4.00** Sam Fraser **7.00** Steph Newenhouse **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5.00am Simon Clarke **6.30** Pat Sissons **10.00** Alun Newman and Lou Hannan **1.00pm** Nicky Horne **4.00** Sam Fraser **7.00** Party Mix **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Carol Concert **7.00** Lou Hannan **10.00** Pat Sissons **1.00pm** Carol Concert (R) **2.00** Alex Dyke **4.00** Downton Abbey **5.00** A Grand Day Out **6.00** Salvation Army Concert **7.00** Party Mix **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Katie Martin **9.00** Alex Dyke **12.00** Pat Sissons **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Tracks of My Years **7.00** Party Mix **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Katie Martin **10.00** Pat Sissons **2.00pm** Nicky Horne **6.00** Jon Pertwee Files **7.00** Jono Holmes **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
12.00–6.00pm Sport

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except: **2.00pm–5.00** *FM 103.8/Dorset DAB* Sport **2.00** *All except 103.8/Dorset DAB* Sport **5.30–7.00** *All except 103.8/Dorset DAB* Showstoppers

Monday 30
6.00am Steve Harris **10.00** Sam Fraser **2.00pm** Alex Dyke **6.00** Tracks of My Years **7.00** Party Mix **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as Radio 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
6.00am Steve Harris **10.00** Sam Fraser **2.00pm** Alex Dyke **6.00** Tracks of My Years **7.00** Party Mix **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as Radio 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Steve Harris **10.00** Alex Dyke **2.00pm** Sport **8.00** Dance Dungeon (R) **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as Radio 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
6.00am Katie Martin **10.00** James Heming **2.00pm** Alex Dyke **6.00** Steph Newenhouse; **Fri:** Sports Hour **7.00 Fri:** Steph Newenhouse **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as Radio 5 Live*

BBC Surrey and BBC Sussex

Saturday 21
5.00am 70s and 80s **6.00** James Cannon **9.00** Danny Pike **12.00** Graham Dene **2.00pm** Joe Talbot **6.00** Stereo Underground **8.00** Introducing **9.00** David Allen **12.00** Paul Miller **2.00am** Dancefloor **4.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
5.30am Hymns Half Hour **6.00** Emily Jeffery **9.00** Dig It **12.00** Sylvie Blackmore **3.00pm** Mark Carter **5.00** David Miller **7.00** Nicky Patrick **9.00** Nicky Horne **12.00** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am The Early Start **6.00** *Surrey:* James Cannon and Lesley McCabe **6.00** *Sussex:* Neil Pringle **9.00** Danny Pike **12.00** Allison Ferns **4.00–7.00pm** Sarah Gorrell *Surrey only:* **5.00** Mike Buxton **6.00–7.00** The Rewind. **7.00** The Big Take Over **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5.00am Concert **6.00** *Surrey:* James Cannon **6.00** *Sussex:* Neil Pringle **10.00** Lesley McCabe **1.00pm** Christmas Phone-in **2.00** Sarah Gorrell **6.00** Carols **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
5.00am Jukebox **6.00** Neil Pringle **10.00** Carols **11.00** David Miller **3.00pm** Angus Moorat **6.00** A Grand Day out **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
5am My Radio 1 **6.00** Community Heroes **7.00** Mark Carter **9.00** David Hamilton **12.00** Sport **6.00** Evening Show **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Paul Miller **1am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
5am My Radio 1 **6.00** Mark Carter **10.00** David Hamilton **2pm** Joe Talbot **6.00** Jimmy Peters **7.00** Pat Sharp **10.00** Paul Miller

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except: **6.00am** Joe Talbot **9.00** Graham Dene **12.00–6.00pm** Sports Special

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except: **6.00–9am** Mike Buxton **1pm–5.00** Sunday Lunch **5.00–9.00** David Miller

Monday 30
5.00am My Radio 1 **6.00** James Cannon **10.00** Allison Ferns **2.00pm** Sarah Gorrell **6.00** Early Evening Show **7.00** Bibi Lynch **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
5.00am My Radio 1 **6.00** Danny Pike **10.00** Allison Ferns **2.00pm** Sarah Gorrell **6.00** Wurzel Gummidge **7.00** Bibi Lynch **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *5 Live*

New Year's Day
5.00am The Early Start **6.00** Danny Pike **10.00** Mike Buxton **2.00pm** Sports Special **6.00** Early Evening Show **10.00** Paul Miller **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2
as Monday 23 except: **6.00am** *Surrey* Mike Buxton / Clare Cowan; *Sussex:* Neil Pringle **7pm** Politix and Chill **8.00–10** Lewis Mason

Friday 3
as Monday 23 except:
12.00–4.00pm Joe Talbot **7.00** Something for the Weekend **9.00–10.00** Lost in Music

Three Counties

Beds, Herts and Bucks

Saturday 21
6.00am Breakfast **9.00** Treasure Quest **12.00** Mike Naylor **2.00pm** Sport **5.00** 5-0-5 **6.00** Rock 'n' Roll **8.00** Introducing **9.00** Justin Dealey **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Nana Akua **9.00** Tony Hadley **11.00** Nick Coffer **1.00pm** *FM 104.5/95.5/98/MW only* Tara Dolby; *FM 90.4/92.1/94.7/103.8/DAB* Sport **2.00** Keith Greentree **4.00** John Leech **6.00** Yasmeen Khan **8.00** Edward Adoo **10.00** Keith Skues **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
4.00am Wally Webb **6.00** Andy Collins **9.00** Stuart Miles **12.00** Nick Coffer **3.00pm** Roberto Perrone **6.00** Sport **7.00** Level 23 **8.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
4.00am Wally Webb **6.00** Andy Collins **9.00** Stuart Miles **12.00** Nick Coffer **3.00pm** Roberto Perrone **6.00** People's Award **7.00** Tara Dolby **8.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Carols **7.00** Gareth Lloyd **10.00** Justin and Marina **12.00** Colin Berry **1.00pm** Anything but Coldplay! **2.00** Ed Adoo **5.00** Salvation Army Concert **6.00** A Grand Day Out **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
4.00am Wally Webb **6.00** Gareth Lloyd **9.00** Ed Adoo **12.00** New Voices **2.00pm** Sport **5.00** 5-0-5 **6.00** New Voices **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
4.00am Wally Webb **6.00** Andy Collins **9.00** Stuart Miles **12.00** Jayne Middlemiss **3.00pm** Mum Goes Green **4.00** Roberto Perrone **6.00** Kady Braine **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
9.00am–12.00 Sara Thornton

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
1.00pm Tara Dolby **2.00** Kick-Off **3.00** Sport **5.00–6.00** 5-0-5

Monday 30
4.00am Wally Webb **6.00** Andy Collins **9.00** Stuart Miles **12.00** Jayne Middlemiss **3.00pm** Hannah Mullane **4.00** Roberto Perrone **6.00** Shemiza Rashid **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
4.00am Wally Webb **6.00** Andy Collins **9.00** Stuart Miles **12.00** Jayne Middlemiss **3.00pm** Hannah Mullane **4.00** Roberto Perrone **6.00** New Voices **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Steve Springett **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Jayne Middlemiss **9.00** Katrina Ridley & Chris Milligan **12.00** Sport **5.00** 5-0-5 **6.00** Grace Adeniji **7.00** Nana Akua **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
4.00am Wally Webb **6.00** Andy Collins **9.00** Stuart Miles **12.00** Nick Coffer **3.00pm** Roberto Perrone **7.00 Thu:** Introducing; **Fri:** Anything but Coldplay! **8.00 Thu:** Jaguar and Danny; **Fri:** Katrina Ridley & Chris Milligan **9.00 Fri:** Justin Dealey **10.00** Nick Risby **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Wiltshire

Saturday 21
6.00am Graham Rogers **9.00** Sue Davies **12.00** Jonathan Fido **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Boogie **8.00** Introducing **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6am Breakfast **9.00** Sue Davies **12.00** Wild about Wiltshire **1.00pm** Warren Moore **4.00** Vintage Show **6.00** Manny Masih **8.00** Kevin Philemon **10.00** Geoff Barker **12.00** Folk **1.00am** Brass **2.00** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am Early Breakfast **6.00** Ben Prater **9.00** Rachel Houghton **12.00** Graham Seaman **2.00pm** James Thomas **4.00** Graham Rogers **7.00** James Threlfall **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5.00am Early Breakfast **6.00** Ben Prater **9.00** Rachel Houghton **12.00** Graham Seaman **2.00pm** James Thomas **4.00** Graham Rogers **6.00** Carols **7.00** Upload **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
5.00am Early Breakfast **6.00** Jonathan Fido **9.00** Carols (R) **10.00** Rhiannon Fitzgerald **1.00pm** Tom Clarke **3.00** The Queen **3.05** Toby Buckland **5.00** David White **7.00** House Party **10.00** Rick Edwards **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
5.00am Early Breakfast **6.00** Sue Kinnear **10.00** Rhiannon Fitzgerald **1.00pm** Special **2.00** Sport **6.00** Special **7.00** Balloon Fiesta **8.00** Clueless Special **9.00** When the Moon Came to Bristol **10.00** Chris Baxter **12.00** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
5.00am Early Breakfast **6.00** Graham Rogers **9.00** Rachel Houghton **12.00** Graham Seaman **3.00pm** Shelley Keen **6.00** Special **7.00** Friday Night In **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
9.00 Graham Seaman **12.00–2.00pm** Special

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
9.00am Marie Lennon **12.00** Special **2.00pm–6.00** Sport

Monday 30
5.00am Early Breakfast **6.00** James Thomas **9.00** Marie Lennon **12.00** Marie Indge **3.00pm** Rachel Houghton **6.00** Special **7.00** Upload **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
5.00am Early Breakfast **6.00** James Thomas **9.00** Marie Lennon **12.00** Marie Indge **3.00pm** Rachel Houghton **6.00** Special **7.00** Upload **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
5.00am Early Breakfast **6.00** Sue Davies **9.00** Marie Lennon **12.00** Karen Gardner **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Wild about Wiltshire **7.00** Social **10.00** Chris Baxter **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
5.00am Early Breakfast **6.00** Ben Prater **9.00** Marie Lennon **12.00** Karen Gardner **2.00pm** James Thomas **4.00** Graham Rogers **7.00 Thu:** The Culture Club; **Fri:** Friday Night In **10.00** Chris Baxter **12.00** *as 5 Live*

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BBC Local Radio

North region

Cumbria

Saturday 21
6.00am Richard Corrie **9.00** Val Armstrong **12.00** Joe Costin **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** John Mann's Soul and Motown **8.00** BBC Introducing **10.00** John Lipscombe **12.00** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Richard Corrie **9.00** Sally Moon **12.00** Joe Costin **2.00pm** Harry King **5.00** Curios **6.00** Your Classical **7.00** Braithwaite's Country **9.00** John Mann **12.00** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am Simon Yaxley **6.30** Mike Zeller **9.00** Paul Braithwaite **12.00** Gordon Swindlehurst **2.00pm** Vicky Warham **5.00** News Hour **6.00** Your Classical **7.00** The Arty Show **10.00** Joe Costin **12.00** Joe Costin's Playlist **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5.00am Simon Yaxley **6.30** Mike Zeller **9.00** Val Armstrong **12.00** Gordon Swindlehurst **2.00pm** Vicky Warham **5.00** Curios (R) **6.00** Carols **7.00** Christmas Eve **10.00** Joe Costin **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Carols (R) **7.00** Richard Corrie **9.00** Val Armstrong **12.00** Joe Costin **2.00pm** Harry King **5.00** Carols (R) **6.00** Horror Panto **7.00** Simon Yaxley **10.00** Crooners **12.00** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Richard Corrie **9.00** Helen Millican **12.00** Joe Costin **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** BBC Introducing **7.00** Simon Yaxley **10.00** Danny Frith **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Steven Bell **9.00** Helen Millican **12.00** Gordon Swindlehurst **2.00pm** Simon Yaxley **5.00** Horror Panto (R) **6.00** Arts and Crafts **7.00** Showcase **10.00** Joe Costin **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
9.00am–12.00 Val Armstrong
2.00pm–6.00 Sport

Monday 30
6.00am Steven Bell **9.00** Paul Braithwaite **12.00** Gordon Swindlehurst **2.00pm** Andy Wood **5.00** Horror Panto (R) **6.00** Your Classical **7.00** Darren Milby **10.00** Ian Timms **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
6.00am Steven Bell **9.00** Caroline Robertson **12.00** Gordon Swindlehurst **2.00pm** Andy Wood **5.00** Mike Zeller Meets **6.00** Windermere Boys **7.00** Danny Frith **10.00** Simon Yaxley's Party **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Steven Bell **9.00** Caroline Robertson **12.00** Grand Day Out **1.00pm** Windermere Boys (R) **2.00** Sport **6.00** Arts and Crafts **7.00** Gathering **10.00** Joe Costin **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
5.00am Simon Yaxley **6.30** Richard Corrie **9.00** Caroline Robertson **12.00** Gordon Swindlehurst **2.00pm Thu:** Vicky Warham; **Fri:** Simon Yaxley **5.00** News Hour **6.00 Thu:** BBC Introducing; **Fri:** Sport **7.00 Thu:** Great Outdoors; **Fri:** Friday Showcase **10.00 Thu:** Ian Timms; **Fri:** Joe Costin **12.00 Thu:** iTimms Playlist **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Derby

Saturday 21
6.00am Donna Alos **9.00** Andy Twigge **12.00** Jen Thomas **2.00pm** Sportscene **6.00** The Beat **8.00** BBC Introducing **10.00** A Touch of Soul **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Donna Alos **9.00** James Watt **1.00pm** Tony Lyman **4.00** Dean Pepall **6.00** Satvinder Rana **8.00** Devon Daley **10.00** Graham Torrington **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am Tony Lyman **6.00** Ian Skye **9.00** Sally Pepper **12.00** Andy Twigge **3.00pm** Steve Jordan **6.00** Sportscene Talk-in **7.00** Top Floor **10.00** Graham Torrington **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5.00am Tony Lyman **6.00** Ian Skye **9.00** Donna Alos **12.00** Andy Twigge **3.00pm** Steve Jordan **6.00** Carol Service **7.00** The Best of the Top Floor **10.00** Graham Torrington **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Martyn Williams **9.00** Kevin Fernihough **1.00pm** Carol Service (R) **2.00** Paul Robey **6.00** Steve's 80s Mix Tape **8.00** Dave's Dad Rock **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Kevin Fernihough **9.00** Andy Twigge **12.00** Ed Stagg **2.00pm** Sportscene **6.00** Top Floor **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Kevin Fernihough **9.00** Andy Twigge **12.00** Ed Stagg **3.00pm** Pete Allen **6.00** Top Floor **10.00** Dean Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
12.00 Ed Stagg
2.00pm–6.00 Pete Allen

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
1.00pm Steve's 80s Mix Tape
2.00–6.00 Sportscene
8.00 Everton Osbourne
10.00–1.00am Gagan Grewal

Monday 30
5.00am Tony Lyman **6.00** Steve Jordan **9.00** Donna Alos **12.00** Andy Twigge **3.00pm** Kevin Fernihough **6.00** Sportscene Talk-in **7.00** Sportscene **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
5.00am Tony Lyman **6.00** Steve Jordan **9.00** Donna Alos **12.00** Andy Twigge **3.00pm** Kevin Fernihough **6.00** Sportscene at Six **7.00** Top Floor **10.00** The Beat New Year's Eve **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Kevin Fernihough **9.00** Jen Thomas **12.00** Ed Stagg **2.00pm** Sportscene **5.00** Sportscene Reaction **6.00** The Top Floor **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
5.00am Tony Lyman **6.00** Steve Jordan **9.00** Donna Alos **12.00** Andy Twigge **3.00pm** Jen Thomas **6.00** Sportscene at Six **7.00 Thu:** Sportscene; **Fri:** Top Floor **10.00 Thu:** Gagan Grewal; **Fri:** Dean Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Humberside

Saturday 21
6.00am Paul Hudson's Weather Show **7.00** Phil White **10.00** Absolutely Clueless **12.30pm** Sport **6.00** Northern Soul and Motown **8.00** BBC Introducing **10.00** Phil Butler **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Lizzie Rose **8.00** The Great Outdoors **10.00** Fiona Mills **1.00pm** Paul Hudson's Weather Show **2.00** Lucy Clark **5.00** James Hoggarth **6.00** Westenders **8.00** Henry Ayrton's Jukebox **10.00** Steve White **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
6.00am Sally Fairfax **9.00** David Burns **12.00** James Hoggarth **3.00pm** Andy Comfort **6.00** Sportstalk **7.00** BBC No Filter **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
6.00am Sally Fairfax **9.00** David Burns **12.00** Peter Levy **1.00pm** James Hoggarth **3.00** Andy Comfort **6.00** Christmas Concert **7.00** Christmas Eve Playlist **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Blair Jacobs **10.00** James Hoggarth **2.00pm** The Wizard of Oz **3.00** Neil Foster **6.00** Nighclubbing in Hull: the Bailey's Years **8.00** Christmas Concert (R) **9.00** The St Cecilia Singers **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Blair Jacobs **10.00** James Hoggarth **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** A Grand Day Out **7.00** The Best of Culture Night **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Blair Jacobs **10.00** Amanda White **2.00pm** Andy Comfort **4.00** Best of Absolutely Clueless **6.00** Ships in the Sky **7.00** Takeover **9.30** Let's Get Noughties **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
1.00pm James Hoggarth
2.00–6.00 Loren Fox

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
2.00pm–5.00 Sport

Monday 30
6.00am Lizzie Rose **10.00** Phil White **1.00pm** Grand Day Out **2.00** Andy Comfort **6.00** Sex Shops of the A1 **7.00** Kofi Smiles **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
6.00am Lizzie Rose **10.00** Phil White **1.00pm** Ships in the Sky (R) **2.00** Andy Comfort **4.00** Absolutely Clueless (R) **6.00** Hull Trains: the Inside Track **7.00** Loren Fox **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Lizzie Rose **10.00** Phil White **12.00** Peter Levy **1.00pm** Hull Trains: the inside Track (R) **2.00** Sport **6.00** The Wizard of Oz **7.00** Fiona Mills **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
6.00am Sally Fairfax **9.00** David Burns **12.00** Phil White **3.00pm** Andy Comfort **6.00** Sportstalk **7.00 Thu:** Culture Night; **Fri:** Takeover **9.30 Fri:** Let's Get Noughties **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Lancashire

Saturday 21
6.00am John Gillmore and Shigufta Khan **10.00** Gary Hickson **12.00** Steve Royle and Hayley Kay **12.15pm** *MW/DAB* Sport **2.00** Matchday Live **6.00** Soul **8.00** BBC Introducing **10.00** Desi Nation **12.00** On the Wire **2.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Joe Wilson **9.00** Gary HIckson **12.00** Lancashire Outdoors **2.00pm** Country Show **4.00** Grin and Tonic **6.00** Indus **8.00** An Unforgettable Christmas **10.00** Simon Brierley **12.00** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
6.00am Graham Liver **9.30** Sally Naden **1.00pm** John Gillmore and Nishma Hindocha **4.00** Brett Davison **6.00** Sport **7.00** LAnCS **10.00** Gerald Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
6.00am Graham Liver **9.30** Phone-in **12.00** Christmas in a Word **1.00pm** Dial-a-Carol **4.00** Nigel Dyson's Curios **5.00** Service of Nine Lessons and Carols **6.00** The Drift **7.00** Keith Fletcher's Jukebox **10.00** Gerald Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Royal Albert Hall Concert **7.00** Service of Nine Lessons and Carols (R) **8.00** John Gillmore , Shigufta Khan **11.00** Graham Liver **1.00pm** Santa's Soundtrack **4.00** Concert **5.00** Bluenotes **7.00** Keith Fletcher's Jukebox **10.00** Gerald Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am John Barnes **9.30** Hayley Kay **12.00** Country Show **2.00pm** Matchday Live **7.30** Keith Fletcher'Jukebox **10.00** Gerald Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am John Barnes **9.30** Hayley Kay **1.00pm** Soul Music **2.00** Simon Brierley **5.00** New Voices **6.00** Community Heroes Awards **7.00** Keith Fletcher's Jukebox **10.00** Later with Andy **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
12.00 Steve Royle and Hayley Kay
2.00pm–6.00 Simon Brierley
7.30–10.00 *FM 95.5 only* Sport

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
12.00 Grin and Tonic
2.00pm–6.00 Matchday Live

Monday 30
6.00am John Barnes and Nishma Hindocha **9.30** Hayley Kay **12.00** Unmissable Year **3.00pm** Glen Hunt **6.00** 60 Years of Motown **7.00** Keith Fletcher's Jukebox **10.00** Gerald Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
6.00am John Barnes and Nishma Hindocha **9.30** Hayley Kay **12.00** Unmissable Year **3.00pm** Glen Hunt **6.00** 60 Years of Motown **7.00** Keith Fletcher's Jukebox **10.00** Gerald Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am John Barnes **9.30** Hayley Kay **12.00** Nigel Dyson **12.00** *FM 95.5* Matchday Live **2.00pm** Matchday Live **6.00** Burnley: More than a Football Club **7.00** Keith Fletcher's Jukebox **10.00** Connor Phillips **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
6.00am Graham Liver **9.30** Hayley Kay **1.00pm** John Gillmore and Nishma Hindocha **4.00 Thu:** Brett Davison; **Fri:** Gary Hickson **6.00** Sport **7.00 Thu:** Talking Sport **8.00 Thu:** TNT; **Fri:** The Drift **9.00 Fri:** Bluenotes **10.00 Thu:** Connor Phillips; **Fri:** Later: with Andy **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Leeds

Saturday 21
6.00am Andrew Edwards **9.00** Nick Ahad **12.00** Larry and Paul **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Northern Soul and Motown **8.00** BBC Introducing **10.00** Phil Butler **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Andrew Edwards **9.00** Tim Crowther **12.00** Paul Hudson's Weather Show **1.00pm** Yorkshire Brass **3.00** Neil Foster **6.00** Connections **7.00** The Durbervilles **9.00** Gary Copley **10.00** Steve White **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am Steve Bailey **6.00** Richard Stead **9.00** Stephanie Hirst **12.00** Liz Green **3.00pm** Gayle Lofthouse **6.00** Sport **7.00** *MW as Asian Network* **7.00** *FM* Mix Tape **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5.00am Steve Bailey **6.00** Richard Stead **9.00** Stephanie Hirst **12.00** Liz Green **3.00pm** Gayle Lofthouse **6.00** Carols **7.00** *MW as Asian Network* **7.00** *FM* Joel Mitchell **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Harry Gration's Scarborough Festive Spectacular **7.00** Richard Stead **10.00** Michael Blades **12.00** Carol Concert (R) **1.00pm** Yorkshire Brass (R) **3.00** Neil Foster **6.00** Johnny's Jukebox **7.00** *MW as Asian Network* **9.00** *FM* Gary Copley (R) **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Steve White **7.00** Richard Stead **10.00** Michael Blades **1.00pm** Jason Donovan Special **2.00** Sport **7.00** *MW as Asian Network* **8.00** *FM* The Scene **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Steve Bailey **7.00** Richard Stead **10.00** Johnny l'Anson **1.00pm** Radio Leeds Special **2.00** Friars at Christmas **3.00** Pete Allison **6.00** Sport **7.00** *MW as Asian Network* **7.00** *FM* Friday Night Project **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
6.00am–9.00 John Foster
2.00pm Jason Donovan Special (R) **3.00** Sanchez Payne **5.00–6.00** Radio Leeds Special (R)

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
1.00pm Yorkshire Brass
2.00 Sport **6.00** Connections
8.00–9.00 The Durbervilles

Monday 30
6.00am Steve Bailey **7.00** Richard Stead **10.00** Johnny l'Anson **1.00pm** Liz Green **3.00** Pete Allison **6.00** Sport **7.00** *MW as Asian Network* **7.00** *FM* Mix Tape **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
6.00am Steve Bailey **7.00** Richard Stead **10.00** Johnny l'Anson **1.00pm** Liz Green **3.00** Pete Allison **6.00** Sport (R) **7.00** *MW as Asian Network* **7.00** *FM* Joel Mitchell: Review of the Decade **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Howard Pressman **7.00** Richard Stead **10.00** Johnny l'Anson **1.00pm** Friars at Christmas (R) **2.00** Sport **7.00** *MW as Asian Network* **8.00** *FM* Elliot's Gaming Show **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
5.00am Steve Bailey **6.00** Richard Stead **9.00** Johnny l'Anson **12.00** Liz Green **3.00pm** Pete Allison **6.00** Sport **7.00** *MW as Asian Network* **7.00** *FM* **Thu:** The Scene; **Fri:** The Friday Night Project **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Lincolnshire

Saturday 21
6.00am Rod Whiting **9.00** Chris Berrow **12.00** Solid Gold **2.00pm** Hope and Glory **6.00** The Beat **8.00** BBC Introducing **10.00** Touch of Soul **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

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Sunday 22
6.00am Rod Whiting **7.00** Farming **7.30** Rod Whiting **9.00** Gardening Phone-in **10.00** Pirate Gold **1.00pm** Poachings **2.00** Tim Rogers Country **3.00** Howard Leader **6.00** Westenders **8.00** Henry Ayrton's Jukebox **10.00** Keith Skues **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
6.00am Scott Dalton **9.30** Melvyn in the Morning **1.00pm** Sue Taylor **4.00** William Wright **7.00** Paul Hudson's Weather Show **8.00** Lincolnshire Kitchen **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
6.00am Scott Dalton **9.30** Melvyn in the Morning **1.00pm** Peter Levy **2.00** Ella's Night before Christmas Musicals **5.00** Jazz **6.00** The Best of St Cecilia Singers **7.00** Jono Brine **8.00** Sue Taylor **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Christmas Concert **7.00** Jono Brine **10.00** Carol Service **11.30** Maria's Christmas Lunch **2.00pm** Paul Robey **6.00** Carol Service (R) **7.30** BBC Radio Lincolnshire Presenters Special **8.00** Nevermind the 90s **9.00** Let's Get Noughties **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am A Grand Day Out **7.00** William Wright **10.00** Harry Parkhill **1.00pm** Dance Classics **2.00** Hope and Glory **6.00** F1 Sport Special **7.00** James Lobley **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Multi Story **7.00** William Wright **9.00** Red Arrows the US/Canada Tour **10.00** Melvyn in the Morning **1.00pm** Maria Richmond **4.00** Richard Madden **6.00** Hope and Glory: the Preview Show **7.00** Takeover **9.30** Let's Get Noughties **10.00** Dean Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
10.00am Ella Wydrzynska **1.00pm** Pirate Gold the Live Show Revisited **2.00–6.00** Hope and Glory

Monday 30
6.00am Jono Brine **9.30** Melvyn in the Morning **12.00** Song for Lincolnshire **1.00pm** Carla Greene **4.00** William Wright **6.00** Red Arrows the US/Canada Tour (R) **7.00** Paul Hudson's Weather Show **8.00** Lincolnshire Kitchen **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
6.00am Jono Brine **9.30** Melvyn in the Morning **1.00pm** Carla Greene **4.00** Harry and Hannah's New Year's Eve Party **6.00** Martyna's Travel Tales **7.00** Presenters Happy New Year Special **9.00** Dance Classics **10.00** New Year's Eve Beat **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Jimmy Peters **7.00** Barbara Stimpson **10.00** Maria Richmond **1.00pm** KPOP **2.00** Hope and Glory **6.00** Harvey Phillips **7.00** Showtime **9.00** BBC Introducing **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
6.00am Carla Greene **9.30** Melvyn in the Morning **1.00pm** Afternoon Show **4.00 Thu:** William Wright; **Fri:** Rob Makepeace **6.00 Fri:** Hope and Glory: the Preview Show **7.00 Thu:** Folk; **Fri:** Takeover **9.00 Thu:** Nevermind the 90s **9.30 Fri:** Let's Get Noughties **10.00 Thu:** Russell Walker; **Fri:** Dean Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Manchester

Saturday 21
6.00am Darryl Morris **9.00** Phil Trow **12.00** Connor Phillips **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** *DAB* Stuart Ellis **8.00** BBC Introducing **10.00** Stephanie Hirst **12.00** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Mike Shaft **9.00** Eamonn O'Neal and Jimmy Wagg **12.00** Mike Sweeney **2.00pm** Jason Hardy **4.00** Gaz Drinkwater **6.00** Indus **8.00** The People **10.00** Gerald Jackson's Unforgettable **12.00** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
6.00am Mark Crossley **7.00** Phil Trow **9.00** Mike Sweeney **12.00** Asma Younus **3.00pm** Connor Phillips **6.00** Talking Balls **7.00** Dead Good Show **10.00** Gerald Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
6.00am Mark Crossley **7.00** Phil Trow **9.00** Mike Sweeney **12.00** Asma Younus **3.00pm** Louise Croombs **6.00** Concert **7.00** Dead Good Show **10.00** Gerald Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Mike Shaft **9.00** Katie Thistleton and Hacker T Dog **12.00** Christmas Concert (R) **1.00pm** A Manchester Nativity **2.00** Eamonn O'Neal and Jimmy Wagg **4.00** Adaeze Chiwoko **6.00** Richard Searling's Motown Songbook **8.00** Stephanie Hirst's Vinyl Revival **10.00** Gerald Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Mark Crossley **7.00** Phil Trow **9.00** Katie Thistleton **12.00** Stuart Ellis **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Jason Hardy **7.00** Dead Good Show **10.00** Gerald Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Mark Crossley **7.00** Phil Trow **9.00** Connor Phillips **12.00** Simone Riley **3.00pm** Louise Croombs **6.00** Talking Balls **7.00** Sport **10.00** Richard Searling's Northern Soul **12.00** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
2.00pm Jason Hardy **4.00** Gaz Drinkwater **6.00–8.00** Stuart Ellis

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
2.00pm–6.00 Sport

Monday 30
6.00am Phil Trow **9.00** Connor Phillips **12.00** Becky Want **3.00pm** Louise Croombs **6.00** Talking Balls **7.00** Dead Good Show **10.00** Gerald Jackson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
6.00am Phil Trow **9.00** Connor Phillips **12.00** Becky Want **3.00pm** Louise Croombs **6.00** Talking Balls **7.00** Dance through the Decades **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Mike Shaft **9.00** Connor Phillips **12.00** Anna Jameson and Mike Minay **2.00pm** Sport **8.00** Dead Good Show **10.00** Connor Phillips **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
5.00am Mark Crossley **6.00** Chelsea at Breakfast **9.00** Mike Sweeney **12.00** Katie Thistleton **3.00pm** Louise Croombs **6.00** Talking Balls **7.00** Dead Good Show **10.00 Thu:** Connor Phillips; **Fri:** Richard Searling's Northern Soul **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Merseyside

Saturday 21
6.00am Breakfast Show **9.00** Carl Learmond **12.00** Sport **5.30pm** 70s Heaven **8.00** BBC Introducing **10.00** Billy Maher **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
5.00am Folkscene **6.00** Daybreak **9.00** Paul Beesley **12.00** Frankie Connor **2.00pm** Sounds Country **4.00** Folkscene **5.00** Asa Murphy **7.00** On the Beat **8.00** Upfront **10.00** Billy Maher **12.00** Pure Musical Sensations **2.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
6.00am Lisa Marrey **7.00** Tony Snell **9.30** Sean Styles **12.00** Paul Beesley **2.00pm** Jenny Lee Summers **4.00** Paul Salt **6.00** Sport **7.00** Carl Learmond **9.00** Helen Jones **12.00** Orient Express **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
6.00am Paul Beesley **7.00** Tony Snell **9.30** Sean Styles **12.00** Paul Beesley **2.00pm** Jenny Lee Summers **4.00** Carol Concert **6.00** Winter's Tales **7.00** Jermaine Foster **9.00** Helen Jones **12.00** Folkscene (R) **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Act of Worship **7.00** Tony Snell **10.00** Sean Styles **1.00pm** Motown Special **3.00** Rachael Russell **5.00** Carol Concert (R) **7.00** Jermaine Foster **9.00** Helen Jones **12.00** On the Beat (R) **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Nick Robins **9.00** Paul Beesley **12.00** Carl Learmond **2.00pm** Sport **5.00** Tony, Steve and Kat **7.30** Sport **10.30** Helen Jones **12.00** The Magic of Motown **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Nick Robins **9.00** Paul Beesley **12.00** Frankie Connor **2.00pm** Ngunan Adamu **4.00** Asa Murphy **6.00** Liverpool Homecoming **7.00** Tony, Steve and Kat (R) **9.00** Helen Jones **12.00** Late Late Beatles Show **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
12.00 Roger Lyon **2.00pm** Sport **6.00–8.00** 70s Heaven

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
2.00pm–7.00 Sport

Monday 30
6.00am Lisa Marrey **7.00** Paul Salt **9.30** Sean Styles **12.00** Roger Phillips **2.00pm** Ngunan Adamu **4.00** Paul Beesley **6.00** Sport **7.00** Jermaine Foster **9.00** Helen Jones **12.00** Orient Express **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
6.00am Lisa Marrey **7.00** Paul Salt **9.30** Sean Styles **12.00** Roger Phillips **2.00pm** Ngunan Adamu **4.00** Paul Beesley **6.00** Tony Snell Presents 80s Merseysound **9.00** Helen Jones **12.00** Folkscene (R) **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Nick Robins **9.00** Lisa Marrey **12.00** Paul Beesley **2.00pm** Tony Snell Presents 80s Merseysound **5.00** Sport **8.00** Ian Kennedy **9.00** Linda McDermott **12.00** On the Beat (R) **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
6.00am Lisa Marrey **7.00** Tony Snell **9.30** Sean Styles **12.00** Roger Phillips **2.00pm** Ngunan Adamu **4.00** Paul Beesley **6.00 Thu:** Try Time; **Fri:** Sport **7.00 Thu:** Sport; **Fri:** Jermaine Foster **9.00 Fri:** Carl Learmond **10.30 Thu:** Linda McDermott **12.00 Thu:** The Magic of Motown; **Fri:** Late Late Beatles Show **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Newcastle

Saturday 21
6.00am Mel Crawford **9.00** Tamsin Robson **12.00** Simon Logan's Fantastic 80s **2.00pm** Sport **5.00** Sport **6.00** Beat Surrender **8.00** BBC Introducing **10.00** It's Grin Up North **12.00** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Sunday Breakfast **9.00** Garden Mania **10.00** Tamsin Robson **1.00pm** Fiona King **4.00** It's Grin Up North **6.00** Paddy MacDee **8.00** Michael Poulter **10.00** Steffen Peddie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am Nick Roberts **6.00** Michael Poulter **7.00** Alfie and Anna at Breakfast **10.00** Lisa Shaw **12.00** Simon Logan **4.00pm** Charlie Charlton **5.00** Total Sport **7.00** Nick Roberts **8.00** Tamsin Robson **10.00** Steffen Peddie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5.00am Nick Roberts **6.00** Michael Poulter **7.00** Alfie and Anna at Breakfast **10.00** Lisa Shaw **2.00pm** Tamsin Robson **5.00** Christmas at the Cathedral **6.00** Simon Logan **10.00** Steffen Peddie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Tamsin Robson **10.00** Michael Poulter **1.00pm** Christmas at the Cathedral (R) **2.00** Simon Logan **6.00** Christmas at the Cathedral (R) **7.00** Blake **8.00** Tamsin Robson **10.00** Steffen Peddie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Michael Poulter **10.00** Tamsin Robson **2.00pm** Sport **7.30** North East Playlist Special **8.00** BBC Introducing **10.00** Steffen Peddie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Mel Crawford **10.00** Tamsin Robson **2.00pm** Steffen Peddie **5.00** Total Sport **7.00** Total Sport Quiz **8.00** It's Grin Up North **10.00** Chris Donald's Soul Club **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
12.00–2.00pm Tom Campbell

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
10.00am Tamsin Robson **2.00pm** Sport **5.00–6.00** Total Sport Quiz

Monday 30
6.00am Gilly Hope **10.00** Lisa Shaw **2.00pm** Tamsin Robson **5.00** Total Sport **7.00** Anna Foster's Choir **8.00** Tamsin Robson **10.00** Steffen Peddie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
6.00am Gilly Hope **10.00** Tamsin Robson **2.00pm** Matt Bailey **6.00** Ben Crompton: Film and TV Soundtrack Playlist **8.00** Tamsin Robson **10.00** Steffen Peddie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Peter Grant **10.00** Michael Poulter **2.00pm** Sport **5.00** Total Sport **6.00** Total Sport Quiz **7.00** Nick Roberts **8.00** Tamsin Robson **10.00** Steffen Peddie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
5.00am Nick Roberts **6.00** Mel Crawford **7.00** Matt and Anna at Breakfast **10.00** Tamsin Robson **12.00** Simon Logan **4.00pm** Rebecca O'Neill **5.00** Total Sport **7.00** Nick Roberts **8.00 Thu:** BBC Introducing; **Fri:** It's Grin Up North **10.00 Thu:** Steffen Peddie; **Fri:** Chris Donald's Soul Club **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sheffield

Saturday 21
6.00am Nick Wilson **7.00** Kat Cowan **10.00** Nowt So Strange as Folk! **12.00** The 90s Show **2.00pm** Football Heaven **5.00** Praise or Grumble **6.30** Northern Soul and Motown **8.00** BBC Introducing **10.00** Phil Butler **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Sarah Major **7.00** Kat Cowan **9.00** In the Garden **10.00** Rob Rouse Roadshow **11.30** Football Heaven **2.00pm** Yorkshire Brass **3.00** Gerry Kersey **6.00** Eastern Air **9.00** *MW* Aap Ki Baat **9.00** *FM* Kat Harbourne **10.00** *FM only until 11.00* Steve White **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am Steve Bailey **7.00** Toby Foster **9.00** The Phone-in **10.00** Paulette Edwards **1.00pm** Rony Robinson **3.00** The Golden Year **4.00** Howard Pressman **6.00** Football Heaven **7.00** Monday Night Social **9.00** The Sauce **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5.00am Steve Bailey **7.00** Toby Foster **9.00** The Phone-in **10.00** Paulette Edwards **1.00pm** Rony Robinson **3.00** The Golden Year **4.00** Howard Pressman **6.00** Kate Rusby **7.00** Big Shaun's Vinyl Show **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Salvation Army Concert **7.00** Sarah Major **9.00** Kate Rusby **10.00** Paulette Edwards **1.00pm** Christmas Brass **3.00** Film and Show Tunes **6.00** Carols from Scarborough **7.00** New Traditions **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Steve White **10.00** Becky Measures **1.00pm** Jason Donovan Special **2.00** Football Heaven **3.00** Football Heaven Live **5.00** Praise or Grumble **7.00** The Vibe **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Steve White **10.00** Becky Measures **1.00pm** Rony Robinson **3.00** Toby's Review of the Year **6.00** Flood Relief Concert **7.00** Hello Friday **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
5.00pm Football Heaven **6.00–8.00** Northern Soul and Motown

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
10.00am Rob Rouse **12.00** Paul Hudson' **1.00pm** Yorkshire Brass **2.00** Football Heaven **8.00** Flood Relief Concert (R) **9.00** Nick Wilson **10.00–1.00am** Steve White

Monday 30
6.00am Steve Bailey **10.00** Becky Measures **1.00pm** Steve White **3.00** Big Shaun's Vinyl Show (R) **6.00** Jason Donovan Special (R) **7.00** Monday Night Social **9.00** The Sauce **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

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New Year's Eve
6.00am Steve Bailey **10.00** Paulette Edwards **1.00pm** Rony Robinson **3.00** 90s Show **6.00** Tramlines **7.00** Sports Academy **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Howard Pressman **10.00** Kat Cowan **1.00pm** 24 Hours in Children's A&E **2.00** Football Heaven **7.00** New Traditions **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
5.00am Steve Bailey **7.00** Becky Measures **9.00 Fri:** The Phone-in **10.00 Thu:** Paulette Edwards; **Fri:** Sam and Leesh **1.00pm** Rony Robinson **3.00** The Golden Year **4.00** Howard Pressman **6.00** Football Heaven **7.00 Fri:** Hello Friday **7.45 Thu:** Football Heaven **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Stoke

Saturday 21
6.00am Sophie Calvert **10.00** Lucas Yeomans **2.00pm** Sport **5.00** Praise and Grumble **6.00** Richard Searling's Northern Soul **8.00** BBC Introducing **10.00** Alex Lester **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Easy Like a Sunday Morning **6.30** In Praise of God **7.00** Tim Wedgwood **9.00** Terry Walsh **11.00** Paula White **2.30pm** In Praise of God (R) **3.00** Jodie Looker **5.00** Centre Stage **6.00** Ajmal Hussain **8.00** Jazz with John Hellings **10.00** Graham Torrington **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am Den Siegertsz **6.30** Sophie Calvert **9.00** Perry Spiller **12.00** Louise Stones **3.00pm** Stuart George **6.00** Sport **7.00** Lucas Yeomans **10.00** Graham Torrington **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5.00am Den Siegertsz **6.30** Sophie Calvert **9.00** Perry Spiller **12.00** Louise Stones **3.00pm** Radio Stoke Special **6.00** Carol Service **7.00** Lucas Yeomans **10.00** Graham Torrington **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Carol Service (R) **7.00** John Acres **10.00** Perry Spiller **1.00pm** Carol Service (R) **2.00** Terry Walsh **6.00** Susan Hanks **9.00** Make a Difference Awards **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Jason Hardy **10.00** Susan Hanks **2.00pm** Sport **5.00** Praise and Grumble **6.00** Radio Stoke Special **7.00** The Takeaway **9.00** Centre Stage **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Jason Hardy **10.00** Perry Spiller **2.00pm** Susan Hanks **6.00** Praise and Grumble **7.00** Extra Time **8.00** Richard Searling's Northern Soul **10.00** Colin Young's Trunk of Funk **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
10.00am Lucas and Rob
2.00pm–6.00 Jodie Looker

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
7.00am–9.00 Liz Ellis **11.00** Paula White **2.00pm** Sport **5.00–6.00** Praise and Grumble **10.00–1.00am** Gagan Grewal

Monday 30
6.00am Sophie Calvert **9.00** Perry Spiller **12.00** Louise Stones **3.00pm** Stuart George **6.00** Sport **7.00** Lucas Yeomans **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
6.00am Sophie Calvert **9.00** Liz Ellis **12.00** Louise Stones **3.00pm** Stuart George **7.00** Susan Hanks **10.00** Terry and Vicky's Club-Off **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Radio Stoke Special **7.00** Stuart George **10.00** Liz Ellis **2.00pm** Sport **5.00** Praise and Grumble **6.00** Susan Hanks **10.00** Gagan Grewal **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
5.00am Den Siegertsz **6.30** John Acres **9.00** Perry Spiller and Liz Ellis **12.00** Louise Stones **3.00pm** Stuart George **6.00 Thu:** Sport; **Fri:** Praise and Grumble **7.00 Thu:** The Takeaway; **Fri:** Extra Time **8.00 Fri:** Richard Searling's Northern Soul **9.00 Thu:** Make a Difference Awards (R) **10.00 Thu:** Gagan Grewal; **Fri:** Colin Young's Trunk of Funk **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Tees

Saturday 21
6.00am Scott Makin **9.00** Gary Philipson **12.00** Goffy **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Beat Surrender **8.00** BBC Introducing **10.00** It's Grin Up North **12.00** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Mike Hill **9.00** Brigid and Dave **11.00** The Gardening Hour **12.00** Goffy **2.00pm** Vintage Vinyl **5.00** Songs from the Shows **7.00** Braithwaite's Country **9.00** Michael Poulter **10.00** Steffen Peddie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am Wake Up Call **6.00** Gilly Hope **9.00** Matt Bailey **12.00** Goffy **4.00pm** Gary Philipson **7.00** Bob Fischer **10.00** Steffen Peddie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5.00am Wake Up Call **6.00** Gilly Hope **9.00** Gary Philipson **12.00** Matt Bailey **3.00pm** New Voices Winner **6.00** Time of Our Lives **9.00** Sport **10.00** Steffen Peddie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
5.00am Carols **6.00** Mike Hill **10.00** Goffy **2.00pm** Alex Hall **6.00** Carols (R) **7.00** Time of Our Lives (R) **10.00** Steffen Peddie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
5.00am Wake Up Call **6.00** Ian Brennan **10.00** Goffy **2.00pm** Sport **7.00** 80s Music **10.00** Steffen Peddie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
5.00am Wake Up Call **6.00** Ian Brennan **9.00** Antony Collins **10.00** Goffy **1.00pm** Jenny Henry **4.00** 90s Music **7.00** BBC Introducing **8.00** It's Grin Up North **10.00** Chris Donald's Soul Club **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
2.00pm Sport
6.30–8.00 Beat Surrender

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22 except:
2.00pm Sport **6.00** Vinyl **8.00–10.00** Songs from the Shows

Monday 30
5.00am Wake Up Call **6.00** Matt Bailey **9.00** Antony Collins **12.00** Goffy **4.00pm** 80s Music **7.00** Bob Fischer **10.00** Steffen Peddie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
5.00am Wake Up Call **6.00** Mike Hill **9.00** Antony Collins **12.00** Goffy **4.00pm** 90s Music **7.00** Sport **10.00** Steffen Peddie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
5.00am Wake Up Call **6.00** Mike Hill **10.00** Goffy **2.00pm** Sport **7.00** 80s Music **10.00** Steffen Peddie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
5.00am Wake Up Call **6.00** Gary Philipson **9.00** John Foster **12.00** Ian Brennan **4.00pm** Anthony Collins **6.00** Sport **7.00 Thu:** Bob Fischer; **Fri:** BBC Introducing **8.00 Fri:** It's Grin Up North **10.00 Thu:** Steffen Peddie; **Fri:** Chris Donald's Soul Club **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

York

Saturday 21
6.00am Joanita Musisi **9.00** Finders Keepers **12.00** Ross Dickinson **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Northern Soul and Motown **8.00** BBC Introducing **10.00** Phil Butler **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Jonathan Cowap **9.00** Sarah Urwin **12.00** Paul Hudson's Weather Show **1.00pm** Yorkshire Brass **3.00** Neil Foster **6.00** Dr Rock **7.00** Gary Copley **8.00** Henry Ayrton's Jukebox **10.00** Steve White **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
5.00am Steve Bailey **6.00** Georgey Spanswick **9.00** Jonathan Cowap **12.00** Adam Tomlinson **4.00pm** Jules Bellerby **7.00** Beth McCarthy **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
5.00am Steve Bailey **6.00** Georgey Spanswick **9.00** Jonathan Cowap **12.00** Adam Tomlinson **4.00pm** Julia Lewis **7.00** Scarborough Festive Spectacular **8.00** Carol Service **9.00** Christmas Playlist **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Carols **7.00** Georgey Spanswick **10.00** Carol Service (R) **11.00** Jonathan Cowap **2.00pm** Scarborough Festive Spectacular (R) **3.00** Neil Foster **6.00** Yorkshire Brass **8.00** Carols (R) **9.00** An Evening with Berwick Kaler **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Steve White **7.00** Adam Tomlinson **10.00** Dom Busby **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Listening Project **7.00** Bek Homer **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Steve White **7.00** Adam Tomlinson **10.00** Dom Busby **2.00pm** An Evening with Berwick Kaler (R) **3.00** Julia Lewis **7.00** Jericho Keys **9.00** Listening Project (R) **10.00** Rich Williams **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
as Saturday 21 except:
6.00am–9.00 Dom Busby

Sunday 29
as Sunday 22

Monday 30
6.00am Steve Bailey **7.00** Joanita Musisi **2.00pm** Alan Ayckbourn **3.00** Dom Busby **7.00** Beth McCarthy **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Eve
6.00am Steve Bailey **7.00** Joanita Musisi **10.00** Jonathan Cowap **2.00pm** Cycling **2.30** Beats and Brass **3.00** Dom Busby **7.00** George Smith **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Howard Pressman **7.00** Joanita Musisi **10.00** Dom Busby **2.00pm** Sport **6.00** Jericho Keys **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Thursday 2/Friday 3
5.00am Steve Bailey **6.00** Joanita Musisi **9.00 Thu:** Jonathan Cowap; **Fri:** Dom Busby **12.00 Thu:** Dom Busby; **Fri:** Jericho Keys **4.00pm** Jules Bellerby **6.30 Fri:** Sport **7.00 Thu:** Bek Homer; **Fri:** Harry Whittaker **10.00** Russell Walker **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

RADIO SCOTLAND

Saturday 21
6.00am Our Lives (R) **6.30** Out of Doors **8.00** Good Morning **10.00** Shereen **11.30** Breaking the News **12.00** Off the Ball **2.00pm** Sportsound **5.30** *FM* Off the Ball **7.00** *FM only until 8.00* Take the Floor **9.00** Pipeline **10.00** Billy Sloan **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 22
6.00am Stark Talk (R) **6.30** New Every Sunday **7.00** Denise Mina's Case Histories (R) **7.30** The Kitchen Café (R) **8.00** Good Morning **10.00** Sunday Morning with… **12.00** Sportsound **3.00pm** Stark Talk (R) **3.30** Out of Doors (R) **5.00** Take the Floor (R) **7.00** Jazz Nights **9.00** Classics Unwrapped **11.00** Iain Anderson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 23
6.00am Good Morning **9.00** Mornings **12.00** John Beattie **1.30pm** Our Lives **2.00** The Afternoon Show **4.00** Newsdrive **6.30** Get It On **9.00** Vic Galloway **11.00** Iain Anderson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Eve
6.00am Good Morning **9.00** Mornings **12.00** John Beattie **1.30pm** Denise Mina's Case Histories **2.00** The Afternoon Show **4.00** Newsdrive **6.00** Breaking the News **6.30** Get It On **9.00** Denise Mina's Case Histories **9.30** Stark Talk **10.00** Christmas Classics **11.30** Watchnight Service **12.00** Cathy Macdonald **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Christmas Day
6.00am Cathy Macdonald **7.00** Somewhere Only We Know (R) **7.30** The Great Bathgate Arctic Adventure (R) **8.30** Our Lives (R) **9.00** Ricky Ross Meets (R) **10.00** Get It On **12.00** When Grant Met Andy **1.00pm** The Roy Rogers Kid **1.30** Stark Talk (R) **2.00** Travis: the Man Who at 20 **2.55** The Afternoon Show **3.55** HM the Queen **4.05** Christmas at the Movies **5.30** Breaking the News (R) **6.00** Grant Stott's Vinyl Collective (R) **8.00** The Boaty Weekender Revisited **9.00** Travelling Folk **11.00** Christmas at the Quay (R) **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Boxing Day
6.00am Time Travels (R) **6.30** Life Cycle (R) **7.00** Somewhere Only We Know (R) **7.30** Junior Historians (R) **8.00** Ricky Ross Meets Paul McCartney (R) **9.00** Mornings **11.00** Les Quiz: the Musical Panel Show ***New series.*** **11.30** The Kitchen Café **12.00** Sportsound **5.30pm** Off the Ball **6.30** Get It On **9.00** Vic Galloway **11.00** Natasha Raskin Sharp **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 27
6.00am Time Travels **6.30** Life Cycle (R) **7.00** Somewhere Only We Know **7.30** Junior Historians (R) **8.00** Good Morning **9.00** Mornings **12.00** Les Quiz: the Musical Panel Show **12.30pm** Classic Scottish Albums (R) **1.00** News **1.30** Breaking the News **2.00** Out for the Weekend **4.00** Newsdrive **5.30** Happening in Holyrood (R) **6.00** Sportsound **10.00** Ashley Storrie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Saturday 28
6.00am Our Lives (R) **6.30** Out of Doors **8.00** Good Morning **10.00** Shereen **11.30** Breaking the News (R) **12.00** Off the Ball **2.00pm** Sportsound **5.30** Off the Ball **7.00** Take the Floor **9.00** Pipeline **11.15** Billy Sloan **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Sunday 29
6.00am Stark Talk (R) **6.30** New Every Sunday **7.00** Denise Mina's Case Histories (R) **7.30** The Kitchen Café (R) **8.00** Good Morning **10.00** Sunday Morning with… **12.00** Sportsound **5.00pm** Take the Floor (R) **7.00** Jazz Nights **9.00** Classics Unwrapped **11.00** Iain Anderson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Monday 30
6.00am Good Morning **9.00** Mornings **12.00** John Beattie **1.30pm** Our Lives **2.00** The Afternoon Show **4.00** Newsdrive **6.30** Get It On **9.00** Vic Galloway **11.00** Iain Anderson **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Hogmanay
6.00am Good Morning **9.00** Mornings **12.00** John Beattie **1.30pm** Best Friends Forever: Robert Burns and Mrs Dunlop (R) **2.00** The Afternoon Show **4.00** Newsdrive **6.30** Get It On **8.00** The Quay Sessions **9.00** Another Country **11.00** The Hogmanay Show **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

New Year's Day
6.00am Time Travels (R) **6.30** Life Cycle (R) **7.00** Somewhere Only We Know (R) **7.30** Junior Historians (R) **8.00** The Street Lawyer (R) **8.30** Classic Scottish Albums (R) **9.00** Mornings **11.00** The Great Calcutta Cup Comeback **11.30** Travis: the Man Who at 20 (R) **12.00** Another Country (R) **2.00pm** The Afternoon Show **4.00** Writersroom (R) **4.30** Les Quiz: the Musical Panel Show (R) **5.00** Planet Pop **7.00** Jazz Nights (R) **9.00** Travelling Folk **11.00** Vic Galloway (R) **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Holiday Thursday 2
6.00am Time Travels (R) **6.30** Life Cycle (R) **7.00** Somewhere Only We Know (R) **7.30** Junior Historians (R) **8.00** In the Footsteps (R) **8.30** Classic Scottish Albums (R) **9.00** Mornings **11.00** Singer/Songwriter Award (R) **12.00** The Quay Sessions (R) **1.00pm** The Common Struggle of Paul Robeson (R) **1.30** The Kitchen Café **2.00** The Afternoon Show **4.00** Writersroom (R) **4.30** Les Quiz: the Musical Panel Show (R) **5.00** Planet Pop **6.00** Billy Sloan (R) **7.00** Get It On **9.00** The Quay Sessions Collection (R) **11.00** Natasha Raskin Sharp **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

Friday 3
6.00am Time Travels (R) **6.30** Life Cycle (R) **7.00** Good Morning **9.00** Mornings **12.00** When Grant Met Andy (R) **1.00pm** Lunchtime News **1.30** Classic Scottish Albums (R) **2.00** Out for the Weekend **4.00** Newsdrive **5.30** The Roy Rogers Kid (R) **6.00** Singer/Songwriter Award (R) **7.00** The Boaty Weekender Revisited (R) **8.00** Out for the Weekend (R) **10.00** Ashley Storrie **1.00am** *as 5 Live*

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Saturday 21

NEWS: SPORT: TRAVEL: WEATHER hourly 8.00am to 12 noon
NEWS HEADLINES 2.00pm
NEWS: SPORT: WEATHER 6.00am, 7.00, 5.30pm, 7.00, hourly 9.00 to 12 midnight
OUTDOOR CONDITIONS 7.02am, 7.03pm

6.00am Our Lives with Michelle McManus
Michelle meets migrants to hear what happened as they settled into their new homes.
Repeated from last Monday

6.30 Out of Doors
Mark Stephen and Euan McIlwraith report on the latest outdoor activities from Shetland to the Borders.
Repeated tomorrow 3.30pm
Email: outofdoors@bbc.co.uk

8.00 Good Morning Scotland
The nation's morning news programme presented by Gordon Brewer, including analysis and debate of recent stories, and a look forward to the big events of the week.

10.00 Shereen
Current affairs discussion, presented by Shereen Nanjiani.

11.30 Breaking the News
Des Clarke presents the topical comedy news show that takes a satirical slant on the week's headlines, with Ashley Storrie, Hugo Rifkind, Athena Kugblenu and Jim Smith.
Repeated from yesterday

12.00 Off the Ball
Football forum, with light-hearted features and competitions. Call 08085 929500 or text 80295.
Email: offtheball@bbc.co.uk

2.00pm Sportsound
Football commentary and updates, with matches including Celtic v Aberdeen, Livingston v Ross County, and St Johnstone v St Mirren (kick-offs **3.00**). Text 80295.
Email: sportsound@bbc.co.uk

MW only
4.55–8.00 Sportsound Glasgow Warriors v Edinburgh Commentary on the Pro14 match, at Scotstoun Stadium (kick-off **5.45**). Text 80295.
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FM only
5.30 Off the Ball
Football forum, with light-hearted features and competitions. Call 08085 929500 or text 80295.
Email: offtheball@bbc.co.uk

FM only until 8.00
7.00 Take the Floor
Iain Anderson and his Scottish Dance Band enjoy a session with a festive twist. Plus some listeners' favourite festive tunes. Hosted by Gary Innes.
Repeated tomorrow 5pm
Email: takethefloor@bbc.co.uk

9.00 Pipeline
Music from the piping world.
Email: pipeline@bbc.co.uk

10.00 Billy Sloan
The presenter introduces rock and pop music from Scotland and around the world, plus regular features *Spin the Globe* and *Early Morning Soul*.

1.00am–6.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Sunday 22

NEWS: SPORT: WEATHER hourly 6.00am to 12 noon, 3.00pm, 4.00, 5.00, 7.00 to 11.00
OUTDOOR CONDITIONS 7.02am, 7.03pm

6.00am Stark Talk
Edi meets Adam Kay, the medical registrar-turned-best-selling author of *This Is Going to Hurt*.
Rptd from last Wednesday Rptd 3pm

6.30 New Every Sunday
An Advent act of worship with the Rev Elspeth McKay of Cumbernauld Old Parish Church.

7.00 Denise Mina's Case Histories
Denise explores the story of Madeleine Smith, which caused a terrible scandal in Victorian Glasgow when she was accused of murder.
Repeated from last Tuesday

7.30 The Kitchen Café
Magazine celebrating the role food plays in Scottish life, with contributions from leading chefs, recipe ideas and a look at the latest nutritional trends.
Repeated from last Thursday

8.00 Good Morning Scotland
The nation's morning news programme, including analysis and debate of recent stories, and a look forward to the big events of the coming week.

10.00 Sunday Morning with…
A host introduces a selection of music and stimulating conversation from a faith and ethical perspective.

12.00 Sportsound
A review of the day's stories, topical debate from listeners and guests. Text 80295.
Email: sportsound@bbc.co.uk

3.00pm Stark Talk
Edi meets Adam Kay, the medical registrar-turned-best-selling author of *This Is Going to Hurt*.
Repeated from 6am

3.30 Out of Doors
Mark Stephen and Euan McIlwraith report on the latest outdoor activities from Shetland to the Borders, plus the key stories for those who live and work in the countryside.
Repeated from yesterday 6.30am
Email: outofdoors@bbc.co.uk

5.00 Take the Floor
Iain Anderson and his Scottish Dance Band enjoy a session with a festive twist. Plus some listeners' favourite festive songs and tunes as Christmas nears. Hosted by Gary Innes.
Repeated from yesterday 7pm
Email: takethefloor@bbc.co.uk

7.00 Jazz Nights
Seonaid Aitken presents a bumper festive edition with live music from sax-piano duo Laura Macdonald and Paul Harrison, pianist Richard Michael and some festive favourites.

9.00 Classics Unwrapped
Jamie MacDougall presents highlights from across the year, including improvisations from Venezuelan pianist Gabriela Montero and soprano Carolyn Sampson in session.
Email: classicsunwrapped@bbc.co.uk

11.00 Iain Anderson
Blues, folk, soul and rock 'n' roll.

1.00am–6.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Monday 23

NEWS: SPORT: TRAVEL: WEATHER hourly 6.00am to 6.00pm
NEWS: SPORT: WEATHER 7.30pm, 9.00, 11.00 and 12 midnight
OUTDOOR CONDITIONS 6.07pm
LOCAL NEWS *Dumfries, Aberdeen, Inverness, Selkirk*: 6.30am, 7.30, 8.30, 12.30pm, 4.30, 5.30; *Orkney*: 7.30am, 12 noon; *Shetland*: 12.30pm, 5.30

6.00am Good Morning Scotland
The nation's morning news programme. With travel every 15 minutes, business updates at **6.15**, **7.45** and **8.45** weather at **6.29**, **6.59**, **7.29** and **7.59** and sport at **6.08**, **6.35**, **7.08**, **7.35**, **8.08** and **8.35**.

9.00 Mornings
Stories making the news, with Calum MacDonald.

12.00 John Beattie
News and discussion.

1.30pm Our Lives with Michelle McManus
A present of a DNA kit unites lost siblings, how to cope with Christmas with 13 children, and a foster father's traditions to remember the youngsters who have sat at his table.
Repeated Christmas Day 8.30am

2.00 The Afternoon Show with Janice Forsyth
The host discusses what's current in film, television, arts, theatre and music in Scotland.

4.00 Newsdrive
Headlines from Scotland.

6.30 Get It On… with Bryan Burnett
Music request show. Text 80295.
Email: getiton@bbc.co.uk

9.00 Vic Galloway
An edition of "Vic's Festive Frolics". Text 80295.
Repeated New Year's Day 11pm
Email: vicgalloway@bbc.co.uk

11.00 Iain Anderson
Blues, country, folk, soul and rock 'n' roll.

1.00am–6.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Christmas Eve

NEWS: SPORT: TRAVEL: WEATHER hourly 6.00am to 6.00pm
NEWS: SPORT: WEATHER 7.30pm, 9.00, 10.00
OUTDOOR CONDITIONS 5.47pm
LOCAL NEWS *Dumfries, Aberdeen, Inverness, Selkirk*: 6.30am, 7.30, 8.30, 12.30pm, 4.30, 5.30; *Orkney*: 7.30am, 12 noon; *Shetland*: 12.30pm, 5.30

6.00am Good Morning Scotland
The morning news. With travel every 15 minutes, business at **6.15**, **7.45** and **8.45** weather at **6.29**, **6.59**, **7.29** and **7.59** and sport at **6.08**, **6.35**, **7.08**, **7.35**, **8.08** and **8.35**.

9.00 Mornings
Reports on the news, presented by Calum MacDonald.

12.00 John Beattie
News and discussion.

1.30pm Denise Mina's Case Histories
The Burke and Hare murders were a series of 16 killings committed over a period of about ten months in 1828 in Edinburgh. Denise talks about the infamous pair, with guests Ian Rankin, Chris Brookmyre and Marisa Haetzman.
Repeated 9pm

2.00 The Afternoon Show with Janice Forsyth
What's current in film, arts, theatre and music in Scotland.

4.00 Newsdrive
Headlines from Scotland.

6.00 Breaking the News
With Catriona Shearer, Susie McCabe, Raymond Mearns and Jim Smith.
Repeated tomorrow 5.30pm

6.30 Get It On… with Bryan Burnett
Music request show. Text 80295.
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9.00 Denise Mina's Case Histories
Denise talks about the Burke and Hare murders.
Repeated from 1.30pm

9.30 Stark Talk
Edi Stark talks to Elaine C Smith, one of Scotland's best-loved stage actresses.
Repeated tomorrow 1.30pm

10.00 Christmas Classics
Featuring the BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra.

11.30 Watchnight Service
Carols and reflection for Christmas Eve from St Machar's Cathedral, Aberdeen, led by the Rev Mark Rodgers, with the congregation and Cathedral choir conducted by Stuart Muir.

12.00 Christmas with Cathy Macdonald
Family stories and traditions and much-loved music and words that capture the meaning of Christmas, with Fr Jamie McMorrin, Fiona Hollow and Rev Sally Foster-Fulton.
Repeated tomorrow 6am

1.00am–6.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Christmas Day

NEWS: WEATHER hourly 6.00am to 9.00, 11.00am to 1.00pm, 6.00 to 10.00
NEWS AND HM THE QUEEN 3.55pm
OUTDOOR CONDITIONS 7.01am, 7.03pm

6.00am Christmas with Cathy Macdonald
Words and music capturing the meaning of Christmas.
Repeated from yesterday 12 midnight

7.00 Somewhere Only We Know
Barbara Dickson invites Nicola Meighan for a walk down memory lane through Dunfermline's Pittencrieff Park. Repeat

7.30 The Great Bathgate Arctic Adventure
Ep 1. Following pupils from Bathgate Academy as they become part of an expedition to Greenland led by the Polar Academy founder Craig Mathieson. The children are put through their paces in the selection process. Repeat
8.00 ***Ep 2.*** The ten pupils learn crucial physical and emotional skills required to navigate, camp and haul heavy sledges in the wilderness. Repeat

8.30 Our Lives with Michelle McManus
How to cope with Christmas with 13 children, and a foster father's traditions to remember the youngsters who have sat at his table.
Rptd from Monday 23 December 1.30pm

9.00 Ricky Ross Meets…
The host is joined by the American singer/songwriter, Dolly Parton, who shares the stories and influences behind some of her songs. Repeat

10.00 Get It On… at Christmas
Live music show in which Bryan Burnett invites listeners to text or email in their requests. Text 80295.
Email: getiton@bbc.co.uk

12.00 When Grant Met Andy
Grant Stott and Andy Gray are best friends who work together. When Andy was diagnosed with cancer working together was put on hold, but their friendship became even more important.
Repeated Friday 3 January 12 noon

1.00pm The Roy Rogers Kid
Stephen Jardine meets Mimi Swift, adopted daughter of Roy Rogers, as she travels from California to Scotland with her family to show them the orphanage where she was brought up.
Repeated Friday 3 January 5.30pm

1.30 Stark Talk
Edi Stark talks to Elaine C Smith, one of Scotland's best-loved stage actresses.
Repeated from yesterday 9.30pm

2.00 Travis: the Man Who at 20
Paul English marks 20 years of *The Man Who* album by Scottish band Travis, with contributions from Fran Healy and the band, Keane, Amy MacDonald and Jo Whiley.

2.55 The Afternoon Show with Janice Forsyth
Janice picks out two favourite interviews from across the year – Annie Lennox, fresh from her appearance at TedX Glasgow, and Billy Connolly on his latest book of comic yarns.

3.55 News
News headlines and HM the Queen's Christmas message.

4.05 Christmas at the Movies
The BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra, under conductor Roderick Dunk, performs music from popular films.

5.30 Breaking the News
With Catriona Shearer, Susie McCabe, Raymond Mearns and Jim Smith.
Repeated from yesterday 6pm

6.00 Grant Stott's Vinyl Collective
The host shares an all-vinyl old school disco special. Repeat

8.00 The Boaty Weekender Revisited
Belle & Sebastian frontman Stuart Murdoch joins Natasha Raskin Sharp to look back at the band's summer music festival on a Mediterranean cruise ship.
Repeated Friday 3 January 7pm

9.00 Travelling Folk
Bruce MacGregor hosts a Christmas Day bash.

11.00 Christmas at The Quay
Step into Christmas as Roddy Hart presents a festive edition of *The Quay Sessions*.
Repeated from last Thursday

1.00am–6.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

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Boxing Day

NEWS: SPORT: WEATHER
hourly 6.00am to 9.00, 11.00am, 12 noon, 5.30pm, 7.30, 9.00 to 11.00
OUTDOOR CONDITIONS 7.01am, 7.33pm

6.00am Time Travels
The work of archaeologist Ludovic Mclellan Mann. Repeat

6.30 Life Cycle
Endurance cyclist Lee Craigie considers ways we can build our confidence. Repeat

7.00 Somewhere Only We Know
Nicola Meighan explores Glasgow's Barras with actor Gavin Mitchell. Repeat

7.30 Junior Historians
1/5. St Michael's Primary School pupils in Glasgow produce their own radio documentary on the old Parkhead Forge. Repeat

8.00 Ricky Ross Meets Paul McCartney
Paul McCartney describes how Argyll helped inspire the Linda McCartney Retrospective being shown at the Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum. Repeat

9.00 Mornings
Kaye Adams reports the news.

11.00 Les Quiz – the Musical Panel Show
New series. Ep 1. Host Jamie MacDougall introduces a contest between Edward Reid and Judith Ralston and Michelle McManus and Craig Hill.
Repeated New Year's Day 4.30pm

11.30 The Kitchen Café
Ghillie Basan brings a little spice to Boxing Day dinner and Jenny MacPherson hears how other cultures celebrate food throughout the festive period.
Rptd Sunday 29 December 7.30am

12.00 Sportsound
Commentary of Hearts v Hibernian (kick-off **12.30**), followed by commentary and updates from today's other Scottish Premiership matches (kick-offs **3.00**). Text 80295.
Email: sportsound@bbc.co.uk

5.30pm Off the Ball
Football forum. Call 08085 929500 or text 80295.
Email: offtheball@bbc.co.uk

6.30 Get It On… with Bryan Burnett
The host celebrates the artists, musicians, songwriters and record producers who died in 2019. Text 80295.
Email: getiton@bbc.co.uk

9.00 Vic Galloway
An edition of "Vic's Festive Frolics". Text 80295.
Email: vicgalloway@bbc.co.uk

11.00 Natasha Raskin Sharp
Findlay Napier sits in with an eclectic mix of music.

1.00am–6.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Friday 27

NEWS: SPORT: TRAVEL: WEATHER
hourly 6.00am to 1.00pm, 3.00 to 6.00
NEWS: SPORT: WEATHER
7.30pm, 10.00 and 11.00
OUTDOOR CONDITIONS 6.03pm

6.00am Time Travels
Professor Alvin Jackson joins Susan Morrison in conversation to discuss Queen Victoria, and Louise Yeoman heads to Kildrummy to learn about Isabella Countess of Mar.

6.30 Life Cycle
Endurance cyclist Lee Craigie asks who defines us. Repeat

7.00 Somewhere Only We Know
Nicola Meighan is joined by Hollie McNish, who reveals her strong connection to a particular place in Scotland.

7.30 Junior Historians
2/5. Pupils from Leith Primary School in Edinburgh produce a radio documentary on their community's links to Scotland's whaling industry. Repeat

8.00 Good Morning Scotland
The latest news and weather.

9.00 Mornings
Reports on stories making the news, and listeners have the opportunity to have their say. With Calum MacDonald.

12.00 Les Quiz – the Musical Panel Show
Ep 2. Jamie MacDougall hosts a fun celebrity musicals quiz. Here the panellists are musicals fans Elaine C Smith and Johnny Mac taking on Tom Urie and Ashley Storrie.
Rptd Holiday Thu 2 January 4.30pm

12.30pm Classic Scottish Albums
Davie Scott goes behind the scenes to reveal remarkable stories about the *White Album*, the first offering from the Average White Band. Repeat

1.00 News

1.30 Breaking the News
Des Clarke and guests look back at the best of the news of 2019.
Repeated tomorrow 11.30am

2.00 Out for the Weekend
Nicola Meighan presents a guide to activities in Scotland over the weekend, from outdoor festivals to leisurely strolls, as well as the all-important weather forecast.

4.00 Newsdrive
Headlines from Scotland.

5.30 Happening in Holyrood
How ordinary people have campaigned to shape policy in Holyrood. Repeat

6.00 Sportsound Dundee United v Dundee
Commentary on the Scottish Championship clash (kick-off **7.45**) from Kilmac Stadium at Dens Park. Text 80295.
Email: sportsound@bbc.co.uk

10.00 Ashley Storrie
Classic floor-fillers.

1.00am–6.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

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Saturday 28

NEWS: SPORT: TRAVEL: WEATHER
hourly 8.00am to 12 noon
NEWS HEADLINES 2.00pm
NEWS: SPORT: WEATHER 6.00am, 7.00, 5.30pm, 7.00, hourly 9.00 to 12 midnight
OUTDOOR CONDITIONS 7.02am, 7.03pm

6.00am Our Lives with Michelle McManus
Highland dancing. Repeat

6.30 Out of Doors
Mark Stephen and Euan McIlwraith reflect on the latest outdoor activities.
Email: outofdoors@bbc.co.uk

8.00 Good Morning Scotland
Isabel Fraser and Gordon Brewer present news and weather.

10.00 Shereen
Fiona Stalker sits in.

11.30 Breaking the News
Des Clarke and guests look back at the best of the news of 2019.
Repeated from yesterday 1.30pm

12.00 Off the Ball
Football forum. Call 08085 929500 or text 80295.
Email: offtheball@bbc.co.uk

2.00pm Sportsound Edinburgh v Glasgow Warriors
Commentary on the match from the ninth round of Pro14 fixtures (kick-off **3.00**), from Murrayfield. Text 80295.
Email: sportsound@bbc.co.uk

5.30 Off the Ball
Football forum. Call 08085 929500 or text 80295.
Email: offtheball@bbc.co.uk

7.00 Take the Floor
Gary Innes introduces a session from 60's Bairns.
Repeated tomorrow 5pm
Email: takethefloor@bbc.co.uk

9.00 Pipeline
Music from the piping world.
Email: pipeline@bbc.co.uk

11.15 Billy Sloan
The presenter introduces rock and pop music from Scotland.

1.00am–6.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Sunday 29

NEWS: SPORT: WEATHER hourly 6.00am to 12 noon, 3.00pm, 5.00, 7.00 to 11.00
OUTDOOR CONDITIONS 7.02am, 7.03pm

6.00am Stark Talk
Edi Stark chats to Stuart Cosgrove. Repeat

6.30 New Every Sunday
A weekly act of worship.

7.00 Denise Mina's Case Histories
Denise looks at the Paisley Snail. Repeat

7.30 The Kitchen Café
Ghillie Basan brings a little spice to Boxing Day dinner.
Repeated from Boxing Day 11.30am

8.00 Good Morning Scotland
The nation's morning news.

10.00 Sunday Morning with…
Hearing from inspiring people and writers at the Edinburgh International Book Festival.

12.00 Sportsound
Commentary on Celtic v Rangers (kick-off **12.30**), followed by Hearts v Aberdeen (k-o **2.00**), with updates from today's 3pm kick-offs. Text 80295.
Email: sportsound@bbc.co.uk

5.00pm Take the Floor
A session from 60s Bairns, recorded in Aberdeen.
Repeated from yesterday 7pm
Email: takethefloor@bbc.co.uk

7.00 Jazz Nights
Jazz music used in film.

9.00 Classics Unwrapped
Jamie MacDougall has a programme of low key classics, thanks to listener suggestions of music to relax to.
Email: classicsunwrapped@bbc.co.uk

11.00 Iain Anderson
Blues, country, folk, soul and rock 'n' roll.

1.00am–6.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Monday 30

NEWS: SPORT: TRAVEL: WEATHER
hourly 6.00am to 6.00pm
NEWS: SPORT: WEATHER
7.30pm, 9.00, 11.00 and 12 midnight
OUTDOOR CONDITIONS 6.07pm
LOCAL NEWS *Dumfries, Aberdeen, Inverness, Selkirk*: 6.30am, 7.30, 8.30, 12.30pm, 4.30, 5.30; *Orkney*: 7.30am, 12 noon; *Shetland*: 12.30pm, 5.30

6.00am Good Morning Scotland
The nation's morning news programme. With travel every 15 minutes, business at **6.15**, **7.45** and **8.45** weather at **6.29**, **6.59**, **7.29** and **7.59** and sport at **6.08**, **6.35**, **7.08**, **7.35**, **8.08** and **8.35**.

9.00 Mornings
With Jackie Brambles.

12.00 John Beattie
News and discussion.

1.30pm Our Lives with Michelle McManus
Comedians and singers share their backstage gossip. May Miller remembers when she followed in Paul McCartney's footsteps at the SECC, while puppets brought Jill and Ian Purves together.

2.00 The Afternoon Show with Janice Forsyth
The host discusses what's current in film, television, arts, theatre and music in Scotland.

4.00 Newsdrive
Headlines from Scotland.

6.30 Get It On… with Bryan Burnett
Music request show. Text 80295.
Email: getiton@bbc.co.uk

9.00 Vic Galloway
Favourite film scores and soundtracks. Text 80295.
Email: vicgalloway@bbc.co.uk

11.00 Iain Anderson
Blues, country, folk, soul and rock 'n' roll.

1.00am–6.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Hogmanay

NEWS: SPORT: TRAVEL: WEATHER
hourly 6.00am to 6.00pm
NEWS: SPORT: WEATHER
hourly 7.00pm to 10.00
OUTDOOR CONDITIONS 6.07pm
LOCAL NEWS *Dumfries, Aberdeen, Inverness, Selkirk*: 6.30am, 7.30, 8.30, 12.30pm, 4.30, 5.30; *Orkney*: 7.30am, 12 noon; *Shetland*: 12.30pm, 5.30

6.00am Good Morning Scotland
The day's news. With travel every 15 minutes, business at **6.15**, **7.45** and **8.45** weather at **6.29**, **6.59**, **7.29** and **7.59** and sport at **6.08**, **6.35**, **7.08**, **7.35**, **8.08** and **8.35**.

9.00 Mornings
Jackie Brambles reports on stories making the news.

12.00 John Beattie
The host introduces news, comment and discussion on.

1.30pm Best Friends Forever: Robert Burns and Mrs Dunlop
Louise Welsh tells the tale of Robert Burns and Frances Dunlop. Repeat

2.00 The Afternoon Show with Nicola Meighan
Film, television, arts, theatre and music news from Scotland.

4.00 Newsdrive
Headlines from Scotland.

6.30 Get It On… with Vic Galloway
Listeners can text or email in their requests. Text 80295.
Email: getiton@bbc.co.uk

8.00 The Quay Sessions
Roddy Hart welcomes Tom Walker back to the show to talk about his successful year.
Rptd Holiday Thu 2 January 12 noon

9.00 Another Country with Ricky Ross
Some of the greatest Country and Americana records.

11.00 The Hogmanay Show
Bryan Burnett welcomes in the New Year.

1.00am–6.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

New Year's Day

NEWS: SPORT: WEATHER
hourly 6.00am to 9.00, 11.00am to 1.00pm, 3.00, hourly 5.00 to 11.00
OUTDOOR CONDITIONS 7.02am, 7.03pm

6.00am Time Travels
Susan Morrison looks at living in the world of the High Flats 50 years ago. Repeat

6.30 Life Cycle
Endurance cyclist Lee Craigie explores what it means to be able to forgive. Repeat

7.00 Somewhere Only We Know
Nicola Meighan is joined by singer Sydney Devine, who reveals his strong connection to a particular place. Repeat

7.30 Junior Historians
4/5. Dens Road Primary School pupils in Dundee produce their own radio documentary on the history of the Keiller Factory. Repeat

8.00 The Street Lawyer
Denise Mina finds out about street law, where law students teach legal skills to high-school pupils. Repeat

8.30 Classic Scottish Albums
Davie Scott chats with Bobby Bluebell and Ken McCluskey about the making of their album *Sisters*. Repeat

9.00 Mornings
Kaye Adams reports on stories making the news.

11.00 The Great Calcutta Cup Comeback
Grant Stott reflects on Scotland's remarkable rugby comeback, to retain the Calcutta Cup.

11.30 The Best of Breaking the News
Des Clarke and guests look back at the best of the news featured in 2019.

12.00 Another Country with Ricky Ross
Celebrating the 70th birthday of singer/songwriter Bruce Springsteen. Repeat

2.00pm The Afternoon Show with Grant Stott
Grant picks musical highlights from the past 12 months.

4.00 Writersroom
The Showstopper, by Donald Cameron. Baking-obsessed Bridie's dental appointment is a showstopper for all the wrong reasons. Repeat
4.15 *Sunday Roast*, by Ali Taylor. Maggie has lost her mother, so her husband Billy finds her a new one. Repeat

4.30 Les Quiz – the Musical Panel Show
Ep 1. Edward Reid and Judith Ralston v Michelle McManus and Craig Hill.
Repeated from Boxing Day 11am

5.00 Planet Pop with Nicola Meighan
Nicola shines a light on some of the best women in music.

7.00 Jazz Nights
Seonaid Aitken presents a special Vocal Jazz edition of the show, with music from Billie Holiday, Nina Simone, Bobby McFerrin and Jacob Collie. Repeat

9.00 Travelling Folk
Bruce MacGregor offers a great double bill with concert sets from Eddi Reader at Orkney Folk Festival and Capercaillie from Belhaven's 100th Birthday Bash.

11.00 Vic Galloway
An edition of "Vic's Festive Frolics". Text 80295.
Rptd from Monday 23 December 9pm

1.00am–6.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Holiday Thursday 2

NEWS: SPORT: WEATHER
hourly 6.00am to 9.00, 11.00am to 1.00pm, 3.00, 5.00 to 11.00
OUTDOOR CONDITIONS 7.02am, 6.03pm

6.00am Time Travels
Journalist Julie McDowall discusses preparations for nuclear war. Repeat

6.30 Life Cycle
Endurance cyclist Lee Craigie explores how people can deal with change. Repeat

7.00 Somewhere Only We Know
Nicola Meighan talks to Edwyn Collins and Grace Maxwell. Repeat

7.30 Junior Historians
5/5. Pupils from Dunrossness Primary in Shetland investigate the Braer Oil Disaster. Repeat

8.00 In the Footsteps
Ruth Wishart follows the story of Jennie Lee. Repeat

8.30 Classic Scottish Albums
Grahame Skinner and Johnny McElhone recall their debut album with *Hipsway*. Repeat

9.00 Mornings
Kaye Adams reports the news.

11.00 BBC Radio Scotland Singer/Songwriter Award 2019
Hosted by Ricky Ross, with judges Fran Healey, Karine Polwart, Horse Mcdonald, Dee Bahl and Geoff Ellis. Repeat
Repeated tomorrow 6pm

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Local Radio

BBC Radio Scotland



Your seasonal radio listings continued

12.00 The Quay Sessions
With guest Tom Walker.
Repeated from Hogmanay 8pm

1.00pm The Common Struggle of Paul Robeson
The life of Paul Robeson and his connection with the Scottish working class. Repeat

1.30 The Kitchen Café
Food magazine.

2.00 The Afternoon Show with Grant Stott
Grant chats with Loudon Wainwright III and the cast of the stage show *Matilda*.

4.00 Writersroom
Winging it, by Bryce Hart. Paul and Clare take bad parenting to a new level. Repeat
4.15 *Sue and John*, by Tom Worsley. Repeat

4.30 Les Quiz – the Musical Panel Show
Ep 2. Elaine C Smith and Johnny Mac take on Tom Urie and Ashley Storrie.
Rptd from Friday 27 December 12 noon

5.00 Planet Pop with Nicola Meighan
With Shirley Manson of Garbage.

6.00 Billy Sloan
With guest Rod Stewart. Repeat

7.00 Get It On… with Bryan Burnett
Music request show. Text 80295. Email: getiton@bbc.co.uk

9.00 The Quay Sessions Collection with Roddy Hart
Highlights from the alternative scene, including performances from Mogwai, Fatherson, Sacred Paws, Bryde, Mastersystem, Eliza Shaddad and more. Repeat

11.00 Natasha Raskin Sharp
An eclectic mix of music.

1.00am–6.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Friday 3

NEWS: SPORT: TRAVEL: WEATHER
hourly 6.00am to 1.00pm, 3.00 to 6.00
NEWS: SPORT: WEATHER
7.30pm, 10.00 and 11.00
OUTDOOR CONDITIONS 5.20pm

6.00am Time Travels
Susan Morrison looks at 20th-century wedding traditions and 19th-century "husbands from hell". Repeat

6.30 Life Cycle
How powerful a force control can be in our lives. Repeat

7.00 Good Morning Scotland
The nation's morning news programme. With travel every 15 minutes, business at **6.15**, **7.45** and **8.45** weather at **6.29**, **6.59**, **7.29** and **7.59** and sport at **6.08**, **6.35**, **7.08**, **7.35**, **8.08** and **8.35**.

9.00 Mornings
Presented by Jackie Brambles.

12.00 When Grant Met Andy
Best friends Grant Stott and Andy Gray reflect on their lives.
Repeated from Christmas Day 12 noon

1.00pm News

1.30 Classic Scottish Albums
The making of *Eyes Open*. Repeat

2.00 Out for the Weekend
With Nicola Meighan. Rptd 8pm

4.00 Newsdrive
Headlines from Scotland.

5.30 The Roy Rogers Kid
With Mimi Swift, adopted daughter of Roy Rogers.
Repeated from Christmas Day 1pm

6.00 BBC Radio Scotland Singer/Songwriter Award 2019
Hosted by Ricky Ross.
Repeated from yesterday 11am

7.00 The Boaty Weekender Revisited
Belle & Sebastian's Stuart Murdoch's music festival.
Repeated from Christmas Day 8pm

8.00 Out for the Weekend
Aguide to activities in Scotland over the weekend.
Repeated from 2pm

10.00 Ashley Storrie
Classic floor-fillers.

1.00am–6.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

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Local programmes

ORKNEY

Monday 23
7.30am–8.00 Around Orkney
6.10pm–7.00 Celebrate Christmas with Cameron

Christmas Eve
7.30am–8.00 Around Orkney
6.10pm–7.00 On the Border

New Year's Day
7.30am–8.00 Around Orkney
6.10pm–7.00 Tullimentan

Thursday 2
7.30am–8.00 Around Orkney
6.10pm–7.00 The Makers

Friday 3
7.30am–8.00 Around Orkney
6.10pm–7.00 Friday Requests
PHONE: 01856 873939
Fax: 01856 872908
Email: radio.orkney@bbc.co.uk

SHETLAND

Christmas Eve
5.30pm–6.00 Good Evening Shetland: news and features

Christmas Day
5.30pm–6.00 Good Evening Shetland: news from the isles

Boxing Day
5.30pm–6.00 Good Evening Shetland: news and weather

Fri 27/Thu 2/Fri 3
5.30pm–6.00 Good Evening Shetland: news and features
6.10–7.00 Fri 3: Give Us a Tune

New Year's Day
5.30pm–6.00 Good Evening Shetland: with the what's on diary
6.10–7.00 Shetland's Larder
PHONE: 01595 694747
Fax: 01595 694307

BBC Radio Nan Gaidheal

Mar Radio Alba ach:

Disathairne 21

9.00am Spòrs na Seachdain
10.00 Fàilt' air an Dùthaich
11.00 Tiompan
12.00–1.00 Aileag

Didòmhnaich 22

9.00am Dèanamaid Adhradh
ath-chraoladh aig 3pm
9.30 Ealain Alba
10.00 Sgeulachd Beatha
ath-chraoladh Oidche Challain 12 noon
10.30 Beag air Bheag
11.00 Sàr Chlàr
12.00 Gleus
1.00pm Leugh Mi
1.30 Crùnluath
2.30 Rogha is Tagha
3.00 Dèanamaid Adhradh
3.30 Alleluia
4.00–4.05 An Litir Bheag
9.00 Dèanamaid Adhradh
Seirbhis à tasglann a' BhBC.
9.30 Orain is cèol bho chuid de phrìomh sheinneadairean is luchd-ciùil ann an Glaschu
ath-chraoladh La Na Blaidhn' Uire 7pm
10.30–10.35 Litir do Luchd-ionnsachaidh

Diluain 23

7.30am Aithris na Maidne
9.00 Coinneach Maclomhair
ath-chraoladh aig 9pm
10.00 A' Mire ri Mòir
12.00 Sgeulachd Beatha
ath-chraoladh aig 10pm
12.30pm Feasgar
2.00 Caithream Ciùil
4.00 Fàilt' air an Dùthaich
ath-chraoladh aig 10.30pm
5.00 Aithris an Fheasgair
5.30 Siubhal gu Seachd le Pluto
7.00 Rapal
9.00 Coinneach Maclomhair
10.00 Sgeulachd Beatha
10.30–11.30 Fàilt' air an Dùthaich

Oidche Na Nollaige

7.30am Aithris na Maidne
8.30 Turas dhan bhaile còmhla ri Maureen Nicleòid
Cuairt timcheall trì làraich ainmeil do luchd-turais a Chicago còmhla ri Maureen Nicleòid.
ath-chraoladh a'maireach aig 9.30pm
9.00 Coinneach Maclomhair
10.00 A' Mire ri Mòir
12.00 Sgeulachd Beatha – Donnie "Tia" Smith
ath-chraoladh aig 10pm
12.30pm Feasgar
2.00 Caithream Ciùil
4.00 Sàr Chlàr
ath-chraoladh aig 10.30pm
5.00 Aithris an Fheasgair
5.30 Siubhal gu Seachd le Pluto
7.00 Rapal
9.00 Coinneach Maclomhair
10.00 Sgeulachd Beatha – Donnie "Tia" Smith
ath-chraoladh Didòmhnaich 29 aig 9.30am
10.30–11.30 Sàr Chlàr
Repeated Didòmhnaich 29 aig 11am

La Na Nollaige

9.00am Alleluia!
Pròg ram sònraichte a' comharrachadh leughaidhean agus laoidhean na Nollaig.
10.00 Aileag na Nollaige
12.00 Sgeulachd Beatha – Donnie "Tia" Smith
ath-chraoladh aig 10pm
12.30pm Sgeul Sruth na Maoile aig 25
1.00 Balaich Stafainn
2.00 Cuirm Sruth na Maoile aig 25
Mairi Anna NicUalraig agus Seán O hEanaigh a' comharrachadh 25 bliadhna de Sruth Na Maoile le cuirm beò à Eirinn.
4.00 Gleus
Fuinn, còisirean agus òrain bho shaoghal ceòl clasaigeach agus eile, le Iain Moireach.
ath-chraoladh aig 10.30pm
5.00 Aithris an Fheasgair
Naidheachdan nàiseanta is ionadail o Dhiluain gu Dihaoine.
5.30 Siubhal gu Seachd le Pluto
7.00 Balaich Stafainn
8.00 Glòir
Còisirean, seinneadairean is luchd-ciùil le taghadh sònraichte de cheòl spioradail.
ath-chraoladh Didòmhnaich 29 aig 9.30pm
9.30 Turas dhan bhaile còmhla ri Maureen Nicleòid
10.00 Sgeulachd Beatha – Donnie "Tia" Smith
ath-chraoladh Didòmhnaich 29 aig 10am
10.30–11.30 Gleus
ath-chraoladh Didòmhnaich 29 aig 12 noon

Feill Stiophian

9.00am Coinneach Maclomhair
ath-chraoladh aig 9pm
10.00 Mod
Cathy NicDhòmhnaill a' toirt thugaibh latha an luchd-ionnsachaidh aig Mòd na Cloinne ann an Glaschu. Am measg nan seinneadairean bidh an dithis a bhuannaich a' phrìomh fharpais-seinn, Bonn Cuimhneachan Sheumais C Mhic a' Phì.
11.30 Murdag NicLeòid aig 105
12.00 Sgeulachd Beatha – Donnie "Tia" Smith
ath-chraoladh aig 10pm
12.30pm Mod
Cathy NicDhòmhnaill a' toirt thugaibh farpaisich a shoirbhich air an dàrna latha de Mhòd na Cloinne ann an Glaschu. Bidh òrain is sgeulachdan ann bho chlann fhileantach òga, agus chi sinn cò bhuannaich Buinn Airgid a' Chomuinn Ghàidhealaich.
2.00 Caithream Ciùil
4.00 Crùnluath
Catrìona NicNèill le taghadh de cheòl na pìoba.
ath-chraoladh aig 10.30pm
5.00 Aithris an Fheasgair
5.30 Siubhal gu Seachd le Pluto
7.00 Rapal
9.00 Coinneach Maclomhair
10.00 Sgeulachd Beatha – Donnie "Tia" Smith
ath-chraoladh Didòmhnaich 29 aig 10.30am
10.30–11.30 Crùnluath
ath-chraoladh Didòmhnaich 29 aig 1.30pm

Dihaoine 27

Mar Diluain 23 ach:

7.30am Aithris na Maidne
8.30–9.00 Caley Thistle aig 25
12.00–12.30pm Gaisgeach an SS Richmond Castle
ath-chraoladh Didòmhnaich 29 aig 2.30pm
2.00 Aileag
3.00 Caithream Ciùil
5.00 Aithris an Fheasgair
5.05 Roghainn na Bliadhna
6.00 Na Dùrachdan
8.00 Tiompan
9.00 Mac Ille Mhicheil
11.00–12.00 Coinneach Maclomhair

Disathairne 28

9.00am Spòrs na Seachdain
10.00 Fàilt' air an Dùthaich
11.00 Tiompan
12.00–1.00 Aileag

Didòmhnaich 29

Mar Didòmhnaich 22 ach:

9.00am Dèanamaid Adhradh
ath-chraoladh aig 3pm
9.30–11.00 Sgeulachd Beatha – Donnie "Tia" Smith
2.30–3.00 Gaisgeach an SS Richmond Castle
3.00 Dèanamaid Adhradh
3.30 Alleluia
4.00–4.05 An Litir Bheag
Litir Bheag na seachdain sa le Ruairidh MacIlleathain.
9.00 Dèanamaid Adhradh
Seirbhis à tasglann a' BhBC.
9.30 Glòir
Còisirean, seinneadairean is luchd-ciùil le taghadh sònraichte de cheòl spioradail.
10.30–10.35 Litir do Luchd-ionnsachaidh
Litir do luchd-ionnsachaidh le Ruaraidh MacIlleathain.

Diluain 30

Mar Diluain 23 ach:

8.00am Aithris na Maidne
8.30–9.00 Santa Maria III Seòladh Dhachaigh
12.00–12.30 Sgeulachd Beatha
A' fagail na h-Eaglaise Saoire 's a' dol don Eaglais Shaor Chlèireach.
ath-chraoladh aig 10pm
10.00pm–10.30 Sgeulachd Beatha

Oidche Challain

8.00am Aithris na Maidne
Naidheachdan ionadail, nàiseanta is eadar-nàiseanta gach madainn còmhla ri sgioba-naidheachd Radio nan Gàidheal.
8.30 Santa Maria III Seòladh Dhachaigh
9.00 Coinneach Maclomhair
10.00 A' Mire ri Mòir
12.00 Sgeulachd Beatha
Criosaidh NicNèill, NicDhòmhnaill, Denny neo Curlag – chan e h-ainm a bha cudromach ach a guth seinn.
ath-chraoladh a'maireach aig 10am
12.30pm Feasgar
2.00 Caithream Ciùil
4.00 Sàr Chlàr
5.00 Aithris an Fheasgair
5.30 Siubhal gu Seachd le Pluto
7.00 Rapal
9.00 Coinneach Maclomhair
10.00 Calum Runrig
10.30 Sàr Chlàr
11.00 Beagan Spìosraidh nam Beatha
11.30–1.30am Ceilidh na Bliadhn' Uire

La Na Blaidhn' Uire

9.00am A' Bhliadhna
10.00 Sgeulachd Beatha
10.30 Cuirm Criosaidh Denny
1.55pm A' Mire ri Mòir
5.00 Aithris an Fheasgair
Naidheachdan nàiseanta is ionadail o Dhiluain gu Dihaoine.
5.05 Spòrs na Bliadhna
6.00 Dealbhan Eileanach
6.30 Dealbhan Eileanach – Dòmhnall Safety
Dealbh air an neach-ealain agus an tidsear Leòdhasach, Dòmhnall Mac a' Ghobhainn.
7.00 Orain is cèol bho chuid de phrìomh sheinneadairean is luchd-ciùil ann an Glaschu
Taghadh de na guthan is luchd-ciùil òir a tha stèidhichte ann an Glaschu.
8.00 Rodney – a chur sgìr' a' Bhac air ghleus
Rodney MacCoinnich nach maireann, tidsear na obair latha agus stiùiriche chòisirean air an fhionnairidh.
8.30 Mod
10.00–11.00 A' Bhliadhna

Diardaoin 2

Mar Diluain 23 ach:

10.00am–12.30pm A' Mire ri Mòir
4.00–5.00 Crùnluath
Ceòl na pìoba còmhla ri Cailean MacIlleathain.
ath-chraoladh aig 10.30pm
10.00 Dealan De
10.30–11.30 Crùnluath
Ceòl na pìoba còmhla ri Cailean MacIlleathain.

Dihaoine 3

Mar Diluain 23 ach:

12.00–12.30pm Leugh an Leabhar
Leabhraichean air BBC Radio nan Gàidheal.
ath-chraoladh aig 5.30pm
2.00 Aileag
3.00–5.00 Caithream Ciùil
5.30 Leugh an Leabhar
6.00 Na Dùrachdan
8.00 Tiompan
Ceòl Ceilteach, CDs ùra, cò a tha cluich càite? Le pròg ram beò agus beothail cumaidh Mairead NicIllinnein a'dol sibh.
9.00 Mac Ille Mhicheil
Cuiridh Iain Mac Ille Mhicheil agus a chàirdean an deireadh-sheachdain air a chasan.
11.00–12.00 Coinneach Maclomhair

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BBC Radio Ulster

Saturday 21

RADIO ULSTER NEWS: hourly 7.00am to 11.00pm (not 2.00pm)

6.45am Farm Gate
Food, countryside and agricultural issues, focusing on business news, industry reports and the latest technology. Presented by Bernie Allen.

7.05 Kim Lenaghan
A selection of fine tunes to ease listeners into the morning.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771
Email: kim.lenaghan@bbc.co.uk

8.05 Your Place & Mine
Anne Marie McAleese and the team report on stories from around Northern Ireland.
Phone: 0289 033 8307
Email: ypam@bbc.co.uk

9.05 Gardeners' Corner
Experts talk to gardeners and give topical advice for horticulturists everywhere. Presented by David Maxwell.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55

9.45 On Your Behalf
Linda McAuley presents the consumer affairs programme, offering advice and raising important issues to help people arrive at the right purchasing decisions. Including news at **10.00**.
Phone: 0289 033 8314

10.30 The Blame Game
8/9. Neil Delamere, Tim McGarry, Colin Murphy and Jake O'Kane are joined by comedian Lucy Porter for this special seasonal recording at the Island Arts & Civic Centre, Lisburn, poking fun at the people and events that have been making the news.
Repeated Christmas Day 6.30pm

11.05 The John Toal Show
A festive edition live from John's family home, with a lively mix of fun, food and music.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771
Email: john.toal@bbc.co.uk

12.05pm Christmas Tell Tales Special
Every month at the Tenx9 event in Belfast, a capacity crowd listens to extraordinary true stories, which can be provocative or moving, funny or challenging, all performed by ordinary people. Here Kathy Clugston presents a special selection box of festive tales.
Repeated Christmas Day 6.05pm

12.30 Inside Business
Interviews and the latest business analysis, presented by Wendy Austin.

1.05 Gerry Kelly
Gerry gets into the Christmas spirit with an extended programme full of festive cheer and special guests, live from BBC Broadcasting House.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771
Email: gerry.kelly@bbc.co.uk

2.05 Sportsound
Commentary and updates from the Irish Premiership, including Cliftonville v Coleraine and Linfield v Crusaders (kick-offs **3.00**). Michael McNamee presents.

6.05 The Culture Café
From the page to the stage, Marie-Louise Muir hosts the essential cultural conversation.

7.05 Caschlár
An-réimse ceoil ó phop go fréamh á chur le chéile agus á chur i láthair ag Brian Mullen.
Brian Mullen presents a wide-ranging mix of music, including pop, blues and soul. Including news at **8.00**.
Phone: 0289 033 8043

9.05 Jazz World with Linley Hamilton
The host introduces a selection of contemporary jazz music from around the world, and profiles up-and-coming local talent.
Email: linley.hamilton@bbc.co.uk

10.05 Saturday Club with John Bennett
Late-night music club. Including news at **11.00**.
Text: 81771

12.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Sunday 22

RADIO ULSTER NEWS: hourly 7.00am to 11.00pm, plus 11.55pm

7.05am Kim Lenaghan
A selection of fine tunes and conversation to ease listeners into the morning. Including *Thought for the Day* at **7.55** and news at **8.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771
Email: kim.lenaghan@bbc.co.uk

8.30 Sunday Sequence
Religious and ethical issues. With news at **9.00** and **10.00**.
Email: sunday.sequence@bbc.co.uk

10.15 Morning Service
Religious worship for the Fourth Sunday in Advent, from Methodist College, Belfast. Led by the Rev Emily Hyland, with preacher the Rev Cheryl Meban. With the Chapel Choir.

11.05 Sunday with Dearbhail
Dearbhail McDonald presents the best of in-depth current affairs, interviews, discussion and analysis. Plus an essential guide to the Sunday papers and news at **12.00**.

1.05pm Sunday with Brian D'Arcy
A combination of conversation, meditation, fun and good music.

2.05 Kerry McLean
The host helps wind down the weekend and sets the mood for the week ahead with some great tunes and conversation. Including news at **3.00**.
Text: 81771
Email: kerry.mclean@bbc.co.uk

4.05 The Siobhan Brown Soul Show
The singer brings some seriously soulful sounds to the Sunday afternoon airwaves, from dancefloor classics to the latest releases.

5.05 Sounds Sacred
Richard Yarr introduces popular sacred music by local and internationally acclaimed performers. He also plays listeners' requests and provides news of music events across Northern Ireland.

6.05 Kintra
Helen Mark and the team with stories, news, music and banter from Ulster-Scots communities at home and abroad.

6.30 Praise Revival
Singer/songwriter Robin Mark puts the spotlight on contemporary Christian music.

7.05 Classical Connections with John Toal
John presents this year's Christmas Cracker, featuring special guests and music in the studio, with everyone battling it out to take the crown in the festive quiz. Including news at **8.00**.

9.05 Jazz Club with Walter Love
Recordings by jazz musicians, including tracks that have been performed exclusively for BBC Radio Ulster.

10.05 Sunday Club with John Bennett
A late-night selection of music designed to soothe away the problems of the past week.
Email: jb@bbc.co.uk

12.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Monday 23

RADIO ULSTER NEWS: half-hourly 6.30am to 8.30, hourly 9.00 to 5.00pm, 5.30, hourly 6.00 to 11.00, then 11.55

6.30am Good Morning Ulster
The day's news, with presenters Joel Taggart and Noel Thompson, including regular travel and sport updates and analysis of finance and business news, plus agri-business in *Farm Gate* and a *Thought for the Day* at **6.55** and **7.55**.
Email: good.morning.ulster@bbc.co.uk

9.05 The Nolan Show
Breaking news and hard-hitting topical debate. With news and travel at **10.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771
Email: nolan@bbc.co.uk

10.30 The Stephen Clements Show
Stephen gets into the festive spirit and welcomes home people travelling back to Northern Ireland for their Christmas holidays. Including news at **11.00**.

12.00 Talkback
William Crawley and the *Talkback* team present news and invite listeners' on-air reaction to all the breaking stories of the day, from politics to health, consumer issues and education. Including news at **12.00** and **1.00pm**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Email: talk.back@bbc.co.uk

1.30pm Hugo Duncan
The best in country music old and new, plus the opportunity for listeners to submit requests by phone or text. With news and travel at **2.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771

3.05 The Lynette Fay Show
Nuala McKeever sits in with a lively mix of music, features and interviews.
Text: 81771
Email: lynette.fay@bbc.co.uk

4.00 Evening Extra
Conor Bradford presents news on the half-hour, regular sport, traffic and weather reports, and the latest in agri-business news.

6.05 Sportsound Extra Time
Nikki Gregg and the sports panel discuss the biggest stories making the back pages, featuring exclusive interviews, analysis and debate.

7.05 Ceoltóirí Faoi Chaibidil *1/4.* Buaileann an giotaraí méarstíle Corcaíoch Neil O Briain isteach sa stiúideo i gcomhair seisiún jeamála leis an cheoltóir John Tracey. Cuireann John saol agus saothar Neil faoin spotsolas, ag fáil amach níos mó faoin stíl cheoil atá aige agus faoi na rudaí a thugann spreagadh dó agus é i mbun ceoil.
Corkonian musician Neil O Briain brings his guitar into the studio for a jam session with presenter and musician John Tracey. Neil chats to John about his life and music, and divulges his musical influences and inspirations.

7.30 The Stephen McCauley Show
The best in alternative music from punk to electronica from home and abroad, featuring live performance, interviews and more. Including news at **8.00** and **9.00**.

9.30 ATL Carol Service
Christmas classics with a modern twist from unsigned artists. With Xiola Blue, Reevah, Cherym, Brand New Friend and more. Presented by Gemma Bradley. Including news at **10.00**.

11.05 The Late Show with Eve Blair
Wind down the day with old tunes, new tunes, heart songs and head songs.
Email: eve.blair@bbc.co.uk

12.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Christmas Eve

RADIO ULSTER NEWS: half-hourly 7.00am to 8.30, hourly 9.00 to 5.00pm, 5.30, then hourly 6.00 to 11.00

7.00am Good Morning Ulster
The day's news agenda set with presenters Noel Thompson and Karen Patterson, including regular news, travel and sport updates and analysis of finance and business news, plus the main agri-business news in *Farm Gate* and *Thought for the Day* at **7.55**.
Email: good.morning.ulster@bbc.co.uk

9.05 The Nolan Show
Breaking news and hard-hitting topical debate. Listeners can share their views by phone, text or email. With news and travel at **10.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771
Email: nolan@bbc.co.uk

10.30 The Stephen Clements Show
Stephen leaves the studio and heads into Belfast city centre to spot, and maybe even help, some last-minute Christmas shoppers. With news at **11.00**.

12.00 Talkback
William Crawley talks to a guest about their life as they choose their favourite music. Including news at **12.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Email: talk.back@bbc.co.uk

1.05pm Hugo Duncan
Hugo presents live from the Royal Victoria Hospital in Belfast for an afternoon of seasonal songs and fun. With news and travel at **2.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771

3.05 Calling Home
John Bennett calls people from Northern Ireland who are spending Christmas overseas and plays their requests for family and friends back home.

4.00 Evening Extra
Conor Bradford presents news on the half-hour, regular sport, traffic and weather reports, and agri-business news.

6.05 Farming Matters
Voices, views, stories, news and chat from Northern Ireland's rural community, hosted by Nicola Weir. Including essential livestock and weather reports.

7.05 Ceoltóirí Faoi Chaibidil *2/4.* Buaileann an cláirseoir clúiteach, Una Monaghan, isteach sa stiúideo i gcomhair seisiún jeamála leis an cheoltóir John Tracey. Cuireann John saol agus saothar Una faoin spotsolas, ag fáil amach níos mó faoin stíl cheoil atá aici agus faoi na rudaí a thugann spreagadh di agus í i mbun ceoil.
Belfast musician Una Monaghan and her harp join in a unique jam session with presenter and musician John Tracey. John chats to Una about her life and music, finding out about her musical influences and inspirations.

7.30 The Stephen McCauley Show
The best in alternative music from punk to electronica from home and abroad, featuring live performances, interviews and more. Including news at **8.00** and **9.00**.

9.30 Ralph McLean – Local Voices
A selection of Irish music, sessions and chat from new Northern Ireland artists and established acts. Includes news at **10.00**.

11.05 The Late Show with Eve Blair
A special Carol Service *Late Show* for Christmas Eve, with music from Cara Dillon, Na Leanai and Sinéad O'Connor.
Email: eve.blair@bbc.co.uk

12.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Christmas Day

RADIO ULSTER NEWS: hourly 7.00am to 5.00pm, 5.30, 6.00, 7.00, 10.00, 11.00, 11.55

7.05am John Bennett
John rounds up the reindeer and brings a sleigh-full of Christmas cheer on the most magical morning of the year. Including *Thought for the Day* at **7.55** and news at **8.00**.

9.05 Brian D'Arcy
Brian greets listeners this Christmas morning with seasonal songs and reflections.

10.05 Kim's Twinkly Christmas
Add a little sparkle to your Christmas morning with Kim Lenaghan. With news at **11.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771
Email: kim.lenaghan@bbc.co.uk

12.05pm Two Minute Tales – The Spirit of Christmas
Stephen Clements presents the winners of *Two Minute Tales*, a competition to find the best short stories from young people in Northern Ireland.

1.05 Hugo Duncan
The best in country music, plus the opportunity for listeners to submit requests. Including news and travel at **2.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771

3.05 Rigsy
Rigsy presents music and chat. Includes news at **4.00**.

6.05 Christmas Tell Tales Special
Every month at the Tenx9 event in Belfast, a capacity crowd listens to extraordinary true stories, which can be provocative or moving, funny or challenging, all performed by ordinary people. Here Kathy Clugston presents a special selection box of festive tales.
Rptd from Sat 21 December 12.05pm

6.30 The Blame Game
8/9. Neil Delamere, Tim McGarry, Colin Murphy and Jake O'Kane are joined by comedian Lucy Porter for this special seasonal recording at the Island Arts & Civic Centre, Lisburn, poking fun at the people and events that have been making the news.
Rptd from Sat 21 December 10.30am

7.05 Ceoltóirí Faoi Chaibidil *3/4.* Cuireann John Tracey, an giotáraí méarstíle, aoicheoltóirí áitiúla aitheanta faoin spotsolas, ag fáil amach níos mó faoin stíl cheoil atá acu agus faoi na rudaí a thugann spreagadh daofa agus iad i mbun ceoil. Sa chlár seo, buaileann Neil Martin, an ceoltóir agus cumadóir ceoil iomráiteach, isteach sa stiúideo i gcomhair seisiún jeameála le John. Is as Béal Feirste do Neil agus tá ardmheas air mar gheall ar an ghairm fhada a shaothraigh sé mar cheoltóir agus mar chumadóir, agus d'oibrigh sé leis na ceolfhoirne is mó in Eirinn agus thar lear.
Renowned musician and composer Neil Martin comes into the studio for a jam session with John Tracey.

7.30 BBC Northern Ireland School Choir of the Year
Presenters John Toal and Kerry McLean introduce the six finalists as they perform at the Ulster Hall in Belfast, while Ciaran Scullion, Rebekah Coffey and Richard Yarr are joined by guest judge Carrie Grant to choose both the Junior and Senior winners of BBC NI School Choir of the Year. Repeat

Listen on the internet at radiotimes.com/radio/radio-listings

9.30 Ralph McLean – Rock and Soul
The best of classic rock, soul, blues, pop, gospel, reggae and funk music during a weekly journey through some of the most soulful music ever made. Includes news at **10.00**.

11.05 The Late Show with Eve Blair
Wind down the day with a selection of old and new tunes, heart songs and head songs.
Email: eve.blair@bbc.co.uk

12.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Boxing Day

RADIO ULSTER NEWS: hourly 7.00am to 2.00pm, 2.55, 3.55, then hourly 5.00 to 11.00, plus 5.30 and 11.55

7.05 John Bennett
John keeps the Christmas spirit alive for Boxing Day. Including *Thought for the Day* at **7.55** and news at **8.00**.

9.05 Kerry McLean
A final chance to rock around the Christmas tree with Kerry on Boxing Day morning. Including news at **10.00**.
Text: 81771
Email: kerry.mclean@bbc.co.uk

10.30 Rigsy
Boxing Day music and chat. Including news at **11.00**.

12.05pm Hugo Duncan
The best in country music. Including news at **1.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771

2.05 Sportsound
Commentary and updates from the Irish Premiership, including Coleraine v Ballymena United, Crusaders v Cliftonville and Glentoran v Linfield (kick-offs **3.00**).

6.05 John Kerr's Country Christmas
A festive edition in which John plays contemporary American country hits and talks with some of the biggest names in the business.
Repeated tomorrow 4.05pm

7.05 Ceoltóirí Faoi Chaibidil *4/4.* Seisiún jeameála le John Tracey agus Sibéal Ní Chasaide.
Sibéal Ní Chasaide comes into the studio for a jam session with musician and composer Neil Martin. Sibéal is a young singer from Rath Cairn who shot to fame after her moving rendition of *Mise Eire* which she sang for the 1916 Easter Rising Commemoration.

7.30 The Stephen McCauley Show
The best in alternative music from punk to electronica from home and abroad, featuring live performances, interviews and more. With news at **8.00** and **9.00**.

9.30 Ralph McLean – Country
From the sounds of Nashville to new bluegrass, Ralph takes another journey into the world of American roots music, offering a selection of classic tracks, live performances and timeless Americana along the way. Including news at **10.00**.

11.05 The Late Show with Eve Blair
Wind down the day with a selection of old and new tunes, heart songs and head songs.
Email: eve.blair@bbc.co.uk

12.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Friday 27

RADIO ULSTER NEWS: hourly 7.00am to 5.00pm, plus 8.30am, 5.30pm, 6.00, 7.00, 8.20, 10.00, 11.00 and 11.55

7.00am Good Morning Ulster
The day's news with Karen Patterson and Joel Taggart, including regular news, travel and sport updates and analysis of finance and business news. Plus *Thought for the Day*.
Email: good.morning.ulster@bbc.co.uk

9.05 Kerry McLean
Some chat, great giggles and the perfect soundtrack to the morning. With news at **10.00**.
Text: 81771
Email: kerry.mclean@bbc.co.uk

10.30 Rigsy
Determined to keep the seasonal spirit alive, Rigsy hosts a listener-led music mix. Including news at **11.00**.

12.00 Talkback
William Crawley speaks to a special guest about their life while choosing their favourite music. Including news at **12.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Email: talk.back@bbc.co.uk

1.05pm Hugo Duncan
The best in country music old and new, plus the opportunity for listeners to submit requests by phone or text. With news and travel at **2.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771

3.05 The Vinny Hurrell Show
Magazine show with music, chat and a bit of craic to get the weekend under way.
Text: 81771
Email: vinny.hurrell@bbc.co.uk

4.05 John Kerr's Country Christmas
A festive edition in which John plays contemporary American country hits and talks with some of the biggest names in the business.
Repeated from yesterday 6.05pm

5.00 Evening Extra
Seamus McKee presents news on the half hour, plus regular sport, traffic and weather reports, and the latest agri-business.

6.05 The Shane Todd Show
The comedian is joined by sidekick Dave Elliot to end the week with irreverent humour and ridiculous games, a brew laced with live music and contributions from younger listeners. With news at **7.00**.

7.30 Sportsound
Ulster v Connacht, a match from the ninth round of Pro14 fixtures, which takes place at Kingspan Stadium (kick-off **7.35**).

10.05 Blas Ceoil
Caoimhe "Ceol" Ní Chathail introduces new releases, gig guide details and live acoustic sessions to keep listeners in touch with the best in traditional, roots and folk music.

10.30 Folk Club with Lynette Fay
Lynette selects the best traditional and contemporary folk music and song with guests, concert performances, new releases and vintage vinyl. With news at **11.00**.

12.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Saturday 28

RADIO ULSTER NEWS: hourly 7.00am to 11.00pm

7.05am Kim Lenaghan
A selection of fine tunes.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771
Email: kim.lenaghan@bbc.co.uk

8.05 Your Place & Mine
Anne Marie McAleese and the team report on stories from around Northern Ireland.
Phone: 0289 033 8307
Email: ypam@bbc.co.uk

9.05 Gardeners' Corner
Experts talk to gardeners and give topical advice for horticulturists everywhere.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55

9.45 On Your Behalf
Consumer affairs programme, offering advice and raising important issues to help people arrive at the right purchasing decisions. With news at **10.00**.
Phone: 0289 033 8314

10.30 The Blame Game *9/9.* A highlights edition in which regular jokesters Colin Murphy, Jake O'Kane, Neil Delamere and Tim McGarry are joined by a selection of guests from across the series, including Marcus Brigstocke, Des Bishop and Ashley Storrie, to poke fun at anything and anybody to have tickled their comedic fancy over the past months.
Repeated New Year's Day 6.30pm

11.05 The John Toal Show
The broadcaster ventures beyond the studio to hear first-hand accounts of listeners' family and community lives. Includes recipes and top kitchen tips, chat and music.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771
Email: john.toal@bbc.co.uk

12.05pm Stories in Sound
Brian D'Arcy never dreamed he would become a priest until a meeting with a Passionist at the Graan Monastery set him on the road to priesthood. Now, as he celebrates 50 years as a priest, Father Brian reflects on a long career of faith, fame and controversy.
Repeated New Year's Day 6.05pm

12.30 A Perforated Ulster
The Hole in the Wall Gang present the 2019 Celtic Media Awards Radio Comedy of the Year. Hosted by Da and Uncle Andy, and featuring many other characters, listeners can expect topical jokes, impressions, sketches and the occasional comedy song.

1.05 Gerry Kelly
Gerry looks back through his interview archive, picking out just a fraction of his favourites from across the years.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771
Email: gerry.kelly@bbc.co.uk

2.05 Sportsound
Football commentary and updates from the Irish Premiership, including Coleraine v Linfield, Glentoran v Ballymena United and Larne v Cliftonville (kick-off **3.00**).

6.05 The Culture Café
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Phone: 0289 033 8043

9.05 Jazz World with Linley Hamilton
The host introduces a selection of contemporary jazz music from around the world, and profiles up-and-coming local talent.
Email: linley.hamilton@bbc.co.uk

10.05 Saturday Club with John Bennett
Late-night music club. Including news at **11.00**.
Text: 81771

12.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Sunday 29

RADIO ULSTER NEWS: hourly 7.00am to 11.00pm (not 8.00pm) and 11.55

7.05am Kim Lenaghan
A selection of fine tunes and conversation to ease listeners into the morning. Including *Thought for the Day* at **7.55** and news at **8.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771
Email: kim.lenaghan@bbc.co.uk

8.30 Sunday Sequence
Religious and ethical issues. With news at **9.00** and **10.00**.
Email: sunday.sequence@bbc.co.uk

10.15 Morning Service
An act of worship in the studio for the last Sunday of the year.

11.05 Sunday with Dearbhail
Dearbhail McDonald presents the best of in-depth current affairs, interviews, discussion and analysis. Plus an essential guide to the Sunday papers and news at **12.00**.

1.05pm Sunday with Brian D'Arcy
Music and chat.

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Helen Mark and the team with stories, news, music and banter from Ulster-Scots communities at home and abroad.

6.30 Praise Revival
Singer/songwriter Robin Mark puts the spotlight on contemporary Christian music.

7.05 Proms in the Park
John Toal presents the biggest classical music event of 2019 from the Titanic Slipways. The Ulster Orchestra, conducted by David Brophy, accompanies an impressive line-up of guests including Susan Boyle and Australian tenor Mark Vincent.

9.05 Jazz Club with Walter Love
Recordings by jazz musicians, including tracks that have been performed exclusively for BBC Radio Ulster.

10.05 Sunday Club with John Bennett
A late-night selection of music.
Email: jb@bbc.co.uk

12.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Monday 30

RADIO ULSTER NEWS: half-hourly 7.00am to 8.30, 9.00, hourly 11.00 to 5.00pm, 5.30, hourly 6.00 to 11.00, 11.55

7.00am Good Morning Ulster
The day's news, with Joel Taggart and Noel Thompson, including regular travel and sport updates and analysis of finance and business news, plus agri-business in *Farm Gate* and a *Thought for the Day* at **7.55**.
Email: good.morning.ulster@bbc.co.uk

9.05 The Nolan Show
Stephen Nolan presents a review of 2019, looking back at some of the biggest news stories and sporting events from the past year. Including news and travel at **10.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771
Email: nolan@bbc.co.uk

10.30 The Stephen Clements Show
A carefree morning saunter through music, chat and the odd phone-call. Including news at **11.00**.

12.00 Talkback
William Crawley talks to a special guest about their lives as they choose their favourite music. Including news at **12.00**.
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Email: talk.back@bbc.co.uk

1.30pm Hugo Duncan
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Text: 81771

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Nuala McKeever sits in with a lively mix of music, features and interviews.
Text: 81771
Email: lynette.fay@bbc.co.uk

4.05 Gardeners' Corner Special
David Maxwell meets Labour Party veteran Kate Hoey at her home on Rathlin Island. He explores the wild garden she's created there as a getaway from life in Westminster.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55

5.00 Evening Extra
Conor Bradford presents news on the half-hour, regular sport, traffic and weather reports, and agri-business news.

6.05 Sportsound Extra Time
Nikki Gregg and the sports panel discuss the biggest stories making the back pages, featuring exclusive interviews, analysis and debate.

7.05 Cur is Cúiteamh *New series. Ep 1.* Bí le Dáithí O Muirí agus é ag déanamh scagadh ar mhórcheisteanna morálta ár linne.
Dáithí O Muirí is joined by a mix of guests as they debate some of the pressing moral issues facing society in today's world, focusing on the issue of privacy. He is joined by Antoin O Lachtnain (Digital Rights Ireland), RTE journalist Aine Ní Bhreisleáin and techworld commentator Colm Mac Aindreasa .

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The best in alternative music, from punk to electronica, from home and abroad. With news at **8.00** and **9.00**.

9.30 ATL Introducing
Gemma Bradley serves up new Irish musical talent, from indie-rockers to hip-hoppers, with live music and interviews. Including news at **10.00**.

11.05 The Late Show with Eve Blair
Music to wind down to.
Email: eve.blair@bbc.co.uk

12.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

New Year's Eve

RADIO ULSTER NEWS: 7.00am, 8.00, 8.30, 9.00, hourly 11.00 to 3.00pm, 5.00, 5.30, hourly 6.00 to 11.00 (not 9.00pm), then 12.05am

7.05am Kim Lenaghan
A mix of music and dedications to round off the year, plus a look ahead to 2020. With *Thought for the Day* at **7.55**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771
Email: kim.lenaghan@bbc.co.uk

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Email: kerry.mclean@bbc.co.uk

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12.00 Talkback
William Crawley presents. Including news at **12.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Email: talk.back@bbc.co.uk

1.05pm Hugo Duncan
The best in country music. With news and travel at **2.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771

3.05 Foyle at 40 Gala
Marking the 40th birthday of BBC Radio Foyle from the Guildhall, Derry-Londonderry. With news at **4.00**. Repeat

5.00 Evening Extra
Conor Bradford presents.

6.05 Farming Matters
News from Northern Ireland's rural community.

7.05 Cur is Cúiteamh
Ep 2. Bí le Dáithí O Muirí agus é ag déanamh scagadh ar mhórcheisteanna morálta ár linne. An tseachtain seo pléann sé féin agus a chuid aíonna "fearúlacht nimhe". Dáithí O Muirí addresses the topic of toxic masculinity.

7.30 Music Review of the Year
Highlights from the past 12 months with Steven Rainey.

8.30 Best of Ward Park
Highlights of Snow Patrol's third massive live concert in Ward Park, Bangor.

9.30 Ralph McLean – Local Voices
Irish music and chat. Including news at **10.00**.

10.05 Joe Lindsay New Year's Eve Party
A fine mix of music and guests.

12.05am *as Radio 5 Live*

New Year's Day

RADIO ULSTER NEWS: 7.00am, 8.00, 9.00, 11.00, 12 noon, 1.00pm, 2.00, 2.55, 3.55, hourly 5.00 to 11.00, then 11.55

7.05am John Bennett
A fine selection of classic tracks. With *Thought for the Day* at **7.55** and news at **8.00**.

9.05 Kerry McLean
The host presents a selection of music. With news at **10.00**.
Text: 81771
Email: kerry.mclean@bbc.co.uk

10.30 Rigsy
Rigsy eases listeners into the new year. With news at **11.00**.

12.00 Talkback
William Crawley talks to a special guest. With news at **12.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Email: talk.back@bbc.co.uk

1.05pm Hugo Duncan
The best in country music. With news and travel at **2.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771

2.30 Sportsound
Featuring Cliftonville v Glenavon, Carrick Rangers v Coleraine and Linfield v Institute (kick-offs **3.00**).

5.30 Tell Tales
Highlights from the Tenx9 event in Belfast. Repeat

6.05 Stories in Sound
Father Brian D'Arcy reflects on 50 years of faith, fame and being unafraid to speak out.
Rptd from Sat 28 December 12.05pm

6.30 The Blame Game
9/9. Highlights, featuring the sharpest satire of the series.
Rptd from Sat 28 December 10.30am

7.05 Cur is Cúiteamh
Ep 3. Bí le Dáithí O Muirí agus é ag déanamh scagadh ar mhórcheisteanna morálta ár linne. An tseachtain seo pléann sé féin agus a chuid aíonna cúrsaí oideachais. A debate on the education system in Northern Ireland.

7.30 The Stephen McCauley Show
The best in alternative music. With news at **8.00** and **9.00**.

9.30 Ralph McLean – Rock and Soul
The most soulful music ever made. Includes news at **10.00**.

10.55 Wah Yan Jee Sing
Local information on health and social issues in Cantonese.

11.05 The Late Show with Eve Blair
Music to wind down to.
Email: eve.blair@bbc.co.uk

12.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Thursday 2

RADIO ULSTER NEWS: half-hourly 6.30am to 8.30, 9.00, hourly 11.00 to 5.00pm, 5.30, hourly 6.00 to 11.00, then 11.55

6.30am Good Morning Ulster
News presented by Noel Thompson and Karen Patterson. With *Farm Gate* and *Thought for the Day* at **6.55** and **7.55**.
Email: good.morning.ulster@bbc.co.uk

9.05 The Nolan Show
Hard-hitting topical debate. With news and travel at **10.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771
Email: nolan@bbc.co.uk

10.30 The Stephen Clements Show
Music, chat and the odd phone-call. With news at **11.00**.

12.00 Talkback
William Crawley presents. With news at **12.00** and **1.00pm**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Email: talk.back@bbc.co.uk

1.30pm Hugo Duncan
The best in country music. With news and travel at **2.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771

3.05 The Lynette Fay Show
Nuala McKeever sits in.
Text: 81771
Email: lynette.fay@bbc.co.uk

4.00 Evening Extra
Seamus McKee presents.

6.05 The Ticket
From blockbuster movies to comedy gigs, Kathy Clugston has just the ticket.

7.05 Cur is Cúiteamh
Ep 4. Bí le Dáithí O Muirí agus é ag déanamh scagadh ar mhórcheisteanna morálta ár linne. Anocht: reiligiún, pléite ag Gráinne Ní Ghilín, Dónal Mac an Ailín agus Eilís Ní Chaiside. Dáithí O Muirí looks at religion.

7.30 The Stephen McCauley Show
The best in alternative music. With news at **8.00** and **9.00**.

9.30 Ralph McLean – Country
The world of country music. Including news at **10.00**.

11.05 The Late Show with Eve Blair
Music to wind down to.
Email: eve.blair@bbc.co.uk

12.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

Friday 3

RADIO ULSTER NEWS: half-hourly 6.30am to 8.30, 9.00, hourly 11.00 to 5.00pm, 5.30, 6.00, 7.00, 8.20, 10.00, 11.00

6.30am Good Morning Ulster
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Email: talk.back@bbc.co.uk

1.30pm Hugo Duncan
The best in country music. With news and travel at **2.00**.
Phone: 03030 80 55 55
Text: 81771

3.05 The Vinny Hurrell Show
Music and conversation.
Text: 81771
Email: vinny.hurrell@bbc.co.uk

4.00 Evening Extra
Seamus McKee presents.

6.05 Kerry McLean
Classic rock and pop tunes.
Text: 81771
Email: kerry.mclean@bbc.co.uk

7.30 Sportsound
Ulster v Munster, a Pro14 fixture from Kingspan Stadium (kick-off **7.35**).

10.05 Blas Ceoil
Traditional, roots and acoustic music, plus live studio sessions.

10.30 Folk Club with Lynette Fay
The best in folk music. Including news at **11.00**.

12.00 *as Radio 5 Live*

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Foyle

RADIO FOYLE

As Radio Ulster except:

Sunday 22
RADIO FOYLE NEWS: hourly 9.00am to 4.00pm (not 2.00pm)

5.05–6.00pm Rejoice
James McClelland presents gospel favourites and sacred music, plus listeners' requests and dedications.
To get in touch with the show, write to 8 Northland Road, Londonderry BT48 7GD.

Monday 23/Christmas Eve
RADIO FOYLE NEWS: half-hourly 7.00am to 8.30, hourly 9.00 to 3.00pm

7.00–9.00am The Breakfast Show
Local, national and international news, plus the latest weather and travel updates for the north west of Northern Ireland.

12.00 Talkback
Presented by William Crawley.

1.00pm The News at One
Lunchtime round-up of the day's local, national and international news stories. Plus the latest sports headlines.

1.30 The Mark Patterson Show
Issues affecting the daily lives of people in the North West. Including news at **2.00**.

3.05–4.00 Sean Coyle
The host brightens up the day with music and chat. Including news at **4.00**.

Friday 27
RADIO FOYLE NEWS: hourly 8.00am to 3.00pm, plus 8.30am

8.00–9.00am The Breakfast Show
Local, national and international news, plus the latest weather and travel updates for the north west of Northern Ireland.

12.00 Talkback
William Crawley speaks to a special guest about their life while choosing their favourite music.

1.00pm The News at One
Lunchtime round-up of the day's local, national and international news stories. Plus the latest sports headlines.

1.30 The Mark Patterson Show
Issues affecting the daily lives of people in the North West. Including news at **2.00**.

3.05–4.00 Sean Coyle
Music and chat, as listeners from across the region are invited to phone in with their requests and dedications. With news at **4.00**.

Sunday 29
RADIO FOYLE NEWS: hourly 9.00am to 4.00pm (not 2.00pm)

5.05–6.00pm Rejoice
James McClelland presents gospel favourites and sacred music, plus listeners' requests and dedications.
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Monday 30
RADIO FOYLE NEWS: hourly 8.00am to 3.00pm, plus 8.30am

8.00–9.00am The Breakfast Show
Local, national and international news, plus the latest weather and travel updates for the north-west of Northern Ireland.

12.00 Talkback
Presented by William Crawley.

1.00pm The News at One
The day's local, national and international news stories.

1.30 The Mark Patterson Show
Issues affecting the daily lives of people in the North West. Including news at **2.00**.

3.05–4.00 Sean Coyle
The host brightens up the day with music and chat. Including news at **4.00**.

New Year's Eve
RADIO FOYLE NEWS: *as yesterday*

8.00–9.00am The Breakfast Show
Local, national and international news, plus the latest weather and travel updates for the north-west of Northern Ireland.

12.00 Talkback
Host William Crawley talks to a special guest.

1.00pm The News at One
Lunchtime round-up of the day's local, national and international news stories. Plus the latest sports headlines.

1.30–3.00 The Mark Patterson Show
Issues affecting the daily lives of people in the North West. Including news at **2.00**.

Thursday 2/Friday 3
RADIO FOYLE NEWS: half-hourly 7.00am to 8.30, hourly 9.00 to 3.00pm

6.30am Good Morning Ulster
News from home and abroad, presented by **Thu:** Noel Thompson and Karen Patterson; **Fri:** Karen Patterson and Joel Taggart.

7.00–9.00 The Breakfast Show
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BBC Radio Wales

Saturday 21

NEWS: hourly 6.00am to 2.00pm, 5.00pm, 6.00
WEATHER: before most news bulletins
HILL FORECAST: 6.58am

5.00am Vicki Blight
Music and chat.

7.00 Radio Wales Breakfast
News, sport, travel and weather with Oliver Hides.

9.00 Money for Nothing
Owen Money presents a lively mix of music and humour.
Telephone: 03700 100 110

11.30 Carol Vorderman
Music, guests and conversation.

1.30pm Stand-Up for Radio Wales
Kiri Pritchard McLean introduces performances by Jen Brister, Robin Morgan, Sindhu Vee, Lloyd Langford and Nish Kumar. Repeat

2.00 Radio Wales Sport
Round-up of events, including news as it happens and live commentaries. From **3.00**, commentary and updates from today's fixtures, including Luton Town v Swansea City at Kenilworth Road in the Championship. At **5.00**, a round-up of the day's action with results and analysis.

5.30 Call Rob Phillips
The broadcaster encourages listeners to phone in and share their thoughts on the day's sporting action, and take part in lively debates.
Telephone: 03700 100 110
Text: 81012
Tweet: @bbcradiowales

7.00 Bethan Elfyn
Classic rock, new tunes and indie anthems, as well as music from up-and-coming Welsh acts.

10.00 Adam Walton
The best in new Welsh music, featuring exclusive sessions, interviews and demos.

1.00am–5.00 *as World Service*

Sunday 22

NEWS: hourly 7.00am to 6.00pm
WEATHER: before most news bulletins
HILL FORECAST: 6.58am

5.00am Vicki Blight
Music and chat.

6.30 The Idea
4/4. Catrin Nye presents a selection of inspirational talks from across Wales and then interviews the speakers to find out the central idea behind them.
Repeated from last Wednesday

7.00 Country Focus
News on rural and farming issues for everyone working and living in or visiting the Welsh countryside.

7.30 Celebration
A service for the Fourth Sunday in Advent, led by Father Nicholas James, a Catholic parish priest in Monmouth.

8.00 The Moon and Us
1/2. Fifty years after the first humans walked on the Moon, Elin Rhys celebrates the Welsh engineers and scientists who contributed to the Apollo missions, and reflects on the build-up to an event that changed the world. This first episode explores the roles of engineer Tecwyn Roberts and astronomer Barbara Middlehurst. Repeat
Repeated Christmas Day 7pm and New Year's Day 7pm

9.00 All Things Considered
Religious affairs programme, tackling thorny issues in a thought-provoking manner.
Repeated Christmas Eve 5.30am
Email: religion.wales@bbc.co.uk

9.30 Sunday Morning with Anna Ryder Richardson
Music, chat and guests.

11.05 Owen Money's Solid Gold Sunday
A selection of classic hits from the 1960s and 70s.

1.00pm Aled Jones
Christmas music with guests from 2019, including Amanda Barrie, Anita Harris, Michael Caines, Peter Egan, Caroline Sheen, Paul Martin, Ted Robbins and Zandra Rhodes.
Repeated New Year's Eve 6am

2.00 Lynn Bowles
Lynn offers listeners the opportunity to interact with the show's experts.

4.00 Roy Noble
Roy presents the usual mix of music and conversation.
Email: roy.noble@bbc.co.uk

6.00 Mum's Army
The Carmarthenshire women who took on the Ministry of Defence in 1969 as they tried to stop Cefn Sidan Sands from being transformed into a major weapons testing site.
Repeated from last Friday

6.30 Radio Wales Arts Show
Round-up of reviews and reports on the latest developments in Wales's arts scene, as well as analysis from around the country. Presented by Nicola Heywood Thomas.
Repeated from last Friday
Repeated tomorrow 5.30am

7.00 Celtic Heartbeat
Frank Hennessy introduces folk roots and acoustic music from the Celtic nations and the rest of the world. Featuring a regular mix of guests, sessions, reviews and the gig guide.

9.00 Beverley's World of Music
Beverley Humphreys introduces a selection of popular songs from stage and screen.

11.00 Lisa Gwilym
Music and chat.

1.00am–5.30 *as World Service*

Monday 23

NEWS: hourly 6.00am to 10.00pm
WEATHER: before most news bulletins

5.30am Radio Wales Arts Show
Round-up of reviews and reports on the latest developments in Wales's arts scene, as well as analysis from around the country. Presented by Nicola Heywood Thomas.
Repeated from yesterday 6.30pm

6.00 Radio Wales Breakfast
News, sport, travel and weather with Claire Summers.

8.30 Carol Vorderman
Music, guests and conversation.

11.00 Wynne Evans
The opera singer presents a mix of music, chat and celebrity guests.
Telephone: 03700 100 110
Email: wynne@bbc.co.uk

2.00pm Eleri Siôn
A mixture of conversation, entertainment, music and advice. Plus the **2.45** *Teaser*.
Telephone: 03700 100 110
Text: 81012
Email: wynne@bbc.co.uk
Tweet: @bbcradiowales

5.00 Gareth Lewis
The latest stories and developments from Wales and the world, featuring sport, weather and travel news.

6.30 Sarah Breese: Nothing like a Dame
Comedian and actress Sarah Breese has always wanted to be a pantomime star, but her only experience to date was as a child, when she reached the giddy heights of the front end of a cow. As the festive season gets underway, Sarah takes a whirlwind tour of some of Wales's finest productions to see if she has what it takes to tread the slippery boards of the pantomime stage.
Rptd Saturday 28 December 1.30pm and Sunday 29 December 6.30pm

7.00 Janice Long
A range of songs from the 1960s right through to today.

10.00 Chris Needs
The host presents a selection of late-night tracks and chat.
Telephone: 03700 100 110

1.00am–5.30 *as World Service*

Christmas Eve

NEWS: hourly 6.00am to 6.00pm
WEATHER: before most news bulletins

5.30am All Things Considered
Religious affairs programme, tackling thorny issues in a thought-provoking manner.
Rptd from Sunday 22 December 9am

6.00 Radio Wales Breakfast
News, sport, travel and weather with Claire Summers.

8.30 Carol Vorderman
Music, guests and conversation.

11.00 Wynne Evans
A mix of music, chat and celebrity guests.

2.00pm Eleri Siôn
A mixture of conversation, entertainment, music and advice. Plus the **2.45** *Teaser*.

5.00 Gareth Lewis
The latest stories and developments from Wales and the world, featuring sport, weather and travel news.

6.30 Turkey and Tinsel
Comedian Lorna Prichard investigates the annual festive tradition, joining a coach group from south Wales on a turkey-and-tinsel extravaganza in Llandudno. Behind the light-hearted celebration of all things Christmas lies a story of combating loneliness, old bonds and new friendships, travel to new places and a unique camaraderie.
Repeated Friday 27 December 5.30am and Sunday 29 December 6pm

7.00 Christmas with the Quinnells
Scott Quinnell and his family celebrate Christmas with guests including West End star Sophie Evans and duo Into the Ark. Plus a song from pupils of Llwyncelyn School, Porth.
Repeated tomorrow 8pm

8.00 H's Christmas Eve Party
The Steps star plays a mix of new and old Christmas tunes, ranging from songs by Wizzard and Abba through to Leona Lewis and Michael Bublé.

10.00 Chris Needs
The host presents a selection of late-night tracks and chat.

1.00am–6.00 *as World Service*

Christmas Day

NEWS: hourly 7.00am to 1.00pm
WEATHER: before most news bulletins

6.00am Carols for Christmas
The annual BBC Wales carol concert in aid of BBC Children in Need, with conductor Adrian Partington, organist Jeffrey Howard, the BBC National Orchestra and Chorus of Wales, and a massed choir of Welsh primary-school pupils. Featuring celebrity readings and a host of traditional and popular Christmas songs, including *Once in Royal David's City*, *Lully Lulla Lullay*, *Jingle Bells*, *Merry Christmas Everyone*, *O dawel Ddinas Bethlehem* and *Shepherd's Carol*. Repeated 2pm

7.00 Christmas Morning
Festive cheer to start the day.

8.30 Celebration
Carols and readings from City Church Swansea led by the Senior Pastor Michael Williams.

9.00 Christmas Morning with Dilys Price
Music, readings and poetry to start the day with the octogenarian skydiver, fashion model and charity campaigner.

10.00 Owen Money
Music, chat and requests.

12.00 Michael Ball at Christmas
Michael returns for a fun-filled festive show, with guests Luke Evans, Collabro, H from Steps and Rochelle and Marvin Humes sharing what Christmas means to them. Repeated 9pm

2.00pm Carols for Christmas
The annual BBC Wales carol concert in aid of BBC Children in Need, with conductor Adrian Partington, organist Jeffrey Howard, the BBC National Orchestra and Chorus of Wales. Repeated from 6am

3.00 HM The Queen
Her Majesty addresses the nation and Commonwealth.

3.05 Carol Vorderman
Carol is joined by guests for music and chat on Christmas Day.

5.00 Christmas Celebrations with BBC NOW
Elin Llwyd presents a festive concert recorded in St David's Hall, Cardiff, with the BBC National Orchestra of Wales and conductor Pete Harrison being joined by saxophonist Amy Dickson and the Academi Berfformio Caerdydd. Featuring Christmas favourites *The Snowman*, *Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas*, *The Nutcracker*, *I Wish it Could Be Christmas Everyday*, *Sleigh Ride* and *The Man with the Bag*.
Repeated tomorrow 6am

6.00 The Listening Project
Felicity Evans presents conversations recorded in Wales during 2019 for Radio 4's *The Listening Project*.
Repeated Sunday 29 December 8am and New Year's Day 8pm

7.00 The Moon and Us
1/2. Fifty years after the first humans walked on the Moon, Elin Rhys celebrates the Welsh scientists who contributed to the Apollo missions.
Rptd from Sunday 22 December 8am
Repeated New Year's Day 7pm

8.00 Christmas with the Quinnells
Scott Quinnell and his family celebrate Christmas with guests including West End star Sophie Evans and duo Into the Ark.
Repeated from yesterday 7pm

9.00 Michael Ball at Christmas
Michael returns for a fun-filled festive show, with guests Luke Evans, Collabro, H from Steps and Rochelle and Marvin Humes sharing what Christmas means to them. Repeated from 12 noon

11.00 Beverley's World of Music
A selection of popular songs from stage and screen.

1.00am–6.00 *as World Service*

Boxing Day

NEWS: hourly 8.00am to 2.00pm, 3.52, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00
WEATHER: before most news bulletins

6.00am Christmas Celebrations with BBC NOW
Elin Llwyd presents a festive concert recorded in St David's Hall, Cardiff, with the BBC National Orchestra of Wales.
Repeated from yesterday 5pm

7.00 Mal Pope
A chance to wake up gently with easy music and chat on the *Early Breakfast Show*.

8.30 Carol Vorderman
Music, guests and conversation.

11.00 Wynne Evans
Connie Fisher sits in, presenting a mix of music, chat and listener requests.

2.00pm Radio Wales Sport
Football and rugby union commentary and updates, including Brentford v Swansea City, Cardiff City v Millwall, Scarlets v Ospreys, and Cardiff Blues v Dragons (kick-offs **3.00**).

5.30 Call Rob Phillips
Rob encourages listeners to phone in to share their thoughts on the day's sporting action, and take part in lively debates.
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6.30 Rob Brydon's Down Under Diary
Comedian and *Gavin & Stacey* star Rob Brydon takes listeners behind the scenes of his 2019 tour of Australia – revealing what went well, and what went less well.
Repeated New Year's Day 6.30pm

7.00 Janice Long
A range of songs from the 1960s right through to today, as well as new music and artists from Wales.

10.00 Chris Needs
The host presents a selection of late-night tracks and chat.

1.00am–5.30 *as World Service*

Friday 27

NEWS: hourly 6.00am to 10.00pm
WEATHER: before most news bulletins

5.30am Turkey and Tinsel
Lorna Prichard investigates the annual festive tradition, joining a coach group from south Wales on a turkey-and-tinsel extravaganza in Llandudno.
Repeated from Christmas Eve 6.30pm
Repeated Sunday 29 December 6pm

6.00 Radio Wales Breakfast
News, sport, travel and weather with Oliver Hides.

8.30 Carol Vorderman
Music, guests and conversation.

11.00 Wynne Evans
Connie Fisher sits in.

2.00pm Eleri Siôn
A mixture of conversation, entertainment, music and advice. Plus the **2.45** *Teaser*.

5.00 Gareth Lewis
The latest stories from Wales and the world, featuring sport, weather and travel news.

6.30 The Review Show
Gary Raymond and guests take a look back at the Welsh arts scene in 2019.
Repeated Monday 30 December 5.30am and New Year's Eve 6.30pm

7.00 Radio Wales Sport
Round-up of events, including news and live commentaries.

10.00 Chris Needs
The host presents a selection of late-night tracks and chat.

1.00am–5.00 *as World Service*

Saturday 28

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HILL FORECAST: 6.58am

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Music and chat.

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Sunday 29

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WEATHER: before most news bulletins
HILL FORECAST: 6.58am

5.00am Vicki Blight
Music and chat.

6.30 Science Café
Adam Walton meets John Deeming from the National Museum Wales, who has identified dozens of species of fly and has had more than 20 named after him. Repeat

7.00 Country Focus
The latest rural news.

7.30 Celebration
A service from Prince's Drive Baptist Church in Colwyn Bay.

8.00 The Listening Project
Conversations recorded in Wales for Radio 4's *The Listening Project*. With Felicity Evans.
Repeated from Christmas Day 6pm
Repeated New Year's Day 8pm

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9.30 Sunday Morning with Anna Ryder Richardson
Music, chat and guests.

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Cymru

11.00 Owen Money's Solid Gold Sunday
A selection of classic hits.
1.00pm Aled Jones
Former BBC chairman Michael Grade joins Aled.
2.00 Radio Wales Sport
Football commentary, including Sheffield Wednesday v Cardiff City and Swansea City v Barnsley (kick-offs **3.00**).
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Repeated New Year's Eve 6.30pm
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8.30 Jason Mohammad
Bethan Clement sits in, with music, chat and the day's leading stories.
11.00 Wynne Evans
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5.00 Gareth Lewis
The latest stories and developments from Wales and the world, featuring sport, weather and travel news.
6.30 Welsh Voices: New Writing from Wales
Huw Stephens presents a showcase of audio monologues from a group of new writers working with the BBC Writers Room and National Theatre Wales.
Repeated tomorrow 5.30am
7.00 Janice Long
Adam Walton sits in, with a range of songs from the 1960s right through to today.
10.00 Chris Needs
The host presents a selection of late-night tracks and chat.
1.00am–5.30 *as World Service*

New Year's Eve

NEWS: hourly 6.00am to 6.00pm
WEATHER: before most news bulletins
5.30am Welsh Voices: New Writing from Wales
Huw Stephens presents a showcase of audio monologues from a group of new writers.
Repeated from yesterday 6.30pm
6.00 Aled Jones
Christmas music and memories with guests from 2019, including Amanda Barrie, Anita Harris, Michael Caines , Peter Egan, Caroline Sheen, Paul Martin, Ted Robbins and Zandra Rhodes.
Rptd from Sunday 22 December 1pm
7.00 Radio Wales Breakfast
News, sport, travel and weather with Claire Summers.
9.00 Owen Money
Music, chat and requests.
12.00 Wynne Evans
Connie Fisher sits in.
2.00pm Eleri Siôn
Mal Pope sits in.
5.00 Gareth Lewis
The latest stories and developments from Wales and the world, featuring sport, weather and travel news.
6.30 The Review Show
Gary Raymond and guests take a look back at the Welsh arts scene in 2019.
Repeated from Friday 27 December 6.30pm and yesterday 5.30am
7.00 An Evening with Mal Pope
A concert celebrating Mal's four decades of songwriting, with performances of songs he composed for artists such as Cliff Richard and the Hollies.
Repeated tomorrow 9pm
8.00 H's New Year's Eve Party
The Steps star plays his 25 favourite party songs, with big hits from the 1980s onwards that no event should be without.
10.00 Chris Needs
Late-night tracks and chat.
1.00am–7.00 *as World Service*

New Year's Day

NEWS: hourly 7.00am to 2.00pm, 3.52, hourly 5.00 to 10.00
WEATHER: before most news bulletins
7.00am Mal Pope
Easy music and conversation.
9.00 Owen Money
Music, chat and requests.
12.00 Wynne Evans
Connie Fisher sits in.
2.00pm Radio Wales Sport
Football commentary, including QPR v Cardiff, Newport County v Cheltenham and Chorley v Wrexham (kick-offs **3.00**).
5.00 Call Rob Phillips
Rob encourages listeners to share their thoughts on the day's sporting action.
Telephone: 03700 100 110
Text: 81012
Tweet: @bbcradiowales
6.00 Warren Gatland: the Man, the Coach, the Legacy
A look at the life and career of the rugby union coach, who led Wales to three grand slams and the British and Irish Lions to a series win in Australia.
Repeated tomorrow 5.30am
6.30 Rob Brydon's Down Under Diary
Rob Brydon takes listeners behind the scenes of his 2019 tour of Australia – revealing what went well, and less well.
Repeated from Boxing Day 6.30pm
7.00 The Moon and Us
1/2. Elin Rhys celebrates Welsh scientists who contributed to the Apollo missions.
Repeated from Sunday 22 December 8am and Christmas Day 7pm
8.00 The Listening Project
Conversations from Radio 4's *The Listening Project*.
Repeated from Christmas Day 6pm and Sunday 29 December 8am
9.00 An Evening with Mal Pope
A concert celebrating Mal's four decades of songwriting.
Repeated from yesterday 7pm
10.00 Chris Needs
Late-night tracks and chat.
1.00am–5.30 *as World Service*

Thursday 2

NEWS: hourly 6.00am to 10.00pm
WEATHER: before most news bulletins
5.30am Warren Gatland: the Man, the Coach, the Legacy
A look at the life and career of the rugby union coach.
Repeated from yesterday 6pm
6.00 Radio Wales Breakfast
With Claire Summers.
8.30 Dot Davies
Bethan Clement sits in.
11.00 Wynne Evans
Music, chat and guests.
2.00pm Eleri Siôn
Lynn Bowles sits in.
5.00 Gareth Lewis
The latest stories from Wales and around the world.
6.30 When Carry On Came to Wales
The filming of 1968 comedy *Carry On Up the Khyber*. Repeat
Repeated tomorrow 5.30am
7.00 Janice Long
Adam Walton sits in.
South West FM/DAB
7.00pm–10.00
Radio Wales Sport
Swansea City v Charlton Athletic (kick-off **7.45**).
10.00 Chris Needs
Late-night tracks and chat.
1.00am–5.30 *as World Service*

Friday 3

NEWS: hourly 6.00am to 10.00pm
WEATHER: before most news bulletins
5.30am When Carry On Came to Wales
The filming of 1968 comedy *Carry On Up the Khyber*.
Repeated from yesterday 6.30pm
6.00 Radio Wales Breakfast
Presented by Oliver Hides.
8.30 Dot Davies
Bethan Clement sits in.
11.00 Wynne Evans
Music, chat and guests.
2.00pm Eleri Siôn
Lynn Bowles sits in.
5.00 Gareth Lewis
The latest stories from Wales and the world, featuring sport, weather and travel news.
6.30 Radio Wales Arts Show
Reports on Wales's arts scene. With Nicola Heywood Thomas.
7.00 Radio Wales Sport
Cardiff Blues v Scarlets at Cardiff Arms Park in the tenth round of Pro14 fixtures (kick-off **7.35**).
10.00 Chris Needs
Late-night tracks and chat.
1.00am–5.00 *as World Service*

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Sadwrn 21

5.30am Caniadaeth y Cysegr
Helen Gibbon sy'n cyflwyno plant ac oedolion yn canu rhai o'r ffefrynau Nadoligaidd.
Ail-ddarlledir Sul 22 am 4.30pm
6.00 Byd Amaeth
Dei Tomos gyda newyddion a sgyrsiau'n ymwneud â ffermio.
6.30 Galwad Cynnar
Geraint Pennant a'i westeion yn trafod natur, bywyd gwyllt a chadwraeth.
EBOST: galwadcynnar@bbc.co.uk
8.00 Post Cyntaf Newyddion a chwaraeon bore Sadwrn.
EBOST: post.cyntaf@bbc.co.uk
8.30 Ar y Marc
Dylan Jones a'r criw yn trafod pob math o bethau'n ymwneud â phêl-droed.
EBOST: arymarc@bbc.co.uk
9.00 Tudur Owen
Lot o fwydro, 'chydig o sylwedd, dim swmp.
11.00 Shelley a Rhydian
Cerddoriaeth ac adloniant gyda Shelley Rees a Rhydian Bowen Phillips.
2.00pm Chwaraeon Radio Cymru
Sylwebaethau byw, yn ogystal â chanlyniadau a'r newyddion chwaraeon diweddaraf.
5.30 Marc Griffiths
Cymysgedd o'r hen a'r newydd i ddiddanu ar nos Sadwrn, gan gynnwys llwyth o geisiadau.
EBOST: marc.griffiths@bbc.co.uk
9.00 Gaynor
Cerddoriaeth a chwmnïaeth ar nos Sadwrn.
12.00 *gweler Radio 5 Live*

Sul 22

5.30am Yr Oedfa
Gwasanaeth i wrandawyr Radio Cymru ar gyfer Sul ola'r Adfent, dan ofal Aled Lewis Evans.
Ail-ddarlledir am 11.30am
6.00 Arwel a Myrddin, Hogia'r Wyddfa
Arwel Jones a Myrddin Owen, Hogia'r Wyddfa, sy'n dewis cerddoriaeth amrywiol ar gyfer bore Sul.
8.00 Bwrw Golwg
John Roberts a'i westeion yn trafod materion moesol a chrefyddol.
EBOST: bwrw.golwg@bbc.co.uk
8.30 Dewi Llwyd ar Fore Sul
Adolygiad o'r papurau Sul, cerddoriaeth hamddenol, a sylw i'r celfyddydau.
10.00 Richard Rees
Cerddoriaeth a chwmnïaeth i helpu i ymlacio ar fore Sul.
11.30 Yr Oedfa
Gwasanaeth i wrandawyr Radio Cymru ar gyfer Sul ola'r Adfent, dan ofal Aled Lewis Evans.
Darlledwyd am 5.30am
12.00 Beti a'i Phobol
Beti George yn sgwrsio gydag un o bobl fwyaf diddorol Cymru.
1.00pm Cofio
Archif, atgof a chân yng nghwmni John Hardy.
2.00 Hywel Gwynfryn
Amrywiaeth o gerddoriaeth yn cynnwys dewisiadau clasurol yr wythnos, dewis Hywel o'r jiwcbocs, a chôr arbennig yng nghornel y corau. Mae Hywel hefyd yn dewis pytiau o raglenni Radio Cymru o'r wythnos a fu.
4.00 Hawl i Foli
Rhifyn y Nadolig gyda Huw Edwards yn gofyn cwestiynau am emynau, emyn-donau ac emynwyr o bob math. Dau banel o ddau sy'n cystadlu yn erbyn ei gilydd, sef Caryl Parry Jones a Geraint Cynan yn erbyn Margaret Williams a Huw Foulkes.
4.30 Caniadaeth y Cysegr
Helen Gibbon sy'n cyflwyno plant ac oedolion yn canu rhai o'r ffefrynau Nadoligaidd.
Darlledwyd Sadwrn 21 am 5.30am
5.00 Byd Iolo
Y naturiaethwr Iolo Williams yn crwydro Parc Cenedlaethol Banff yng Nghanada, yn chwilio am ryfeddodau byd natur.
Ail-ddarlledir
5.30 Dei Tomos
Sgyrsiau am Gymru, ei phobl a'i diwylliant.
EBOST: deitomos@bbc.co.uk
7.00 Stori Tic Toc
Mae Tegid eisiau cyfarfod Siôn Corn, ac ar Noswyl Nadolig mae'n penderfynu gosod trapiau o gwmpas y ty. A fydd o'n llwyddo? Ail-ddarlledir
7.05 Annette Bryn Parri
Y gyfeilyddes Annette Bryn Parry yn hel atgofion gydag ambell westai yn ogystal â chwarae rhai o'i hoff darnau.
Ail-ddarlledir Dydd Nadolig am 1pm
8.00 Ar Eich Cais Rhys Meirion yn darllen cyfarchion ac yn chwarae ceisiadau.
EBOST: areichcais@bbc.co.uk
9.00 John ac Alun
Cerddoriaeth a sgwrsio i gloi'r penwythnos.
12.00 *gweler Radio 5 Live*

Llun 23

5.30am John Hardy
Cerddoriaeth a sgwrs hamddenol ben bore gyda bwletinau newyddion, chwaraeon, tywydd a thraffig. Hefyd, y bwletin amaeth dyddiol, yn ogystal â golwg ar y papurau.
7.00 Post Cyntaf
Dylan Jones a Kate Crockett gyda'r newyddion diweddaraf yng Nghymru a thu hwnt.
EBOST: post.cyntaf@bbc.co.uk
8.30 Aled Hughes Straeon cyfredol a cherddoriaeth.
10.00 Bore Cothi
Croeso cynnes dros baned gyda Shân Cothi.
12.00 Dros Ginio
Trin a thrafod Cymru a'r byd, gyda Dewi Llwyd yn cyflwyno.
2.00pm Ifan Evans
Cerddoriaeth a sgwrsio, yn ogystal â chystadleuaeth neu ddwy.
5.00 Post Prynhawn
Newyddion y dydd yng Nghymru a thu hwnt Alun Thomas yn cyflwyno.
5.30 Kate Monolog am fywyd yr awdures Kate Roberts gan Janet Aethwy. Yr actores yw Carys Gwilym a chyda diolch i gwmni Mewn Cymeriad.
6.00 Nadolig Lloyd Macey
Ymunwch â Lloyd am ddathliad cerddorol Nadoligaidd gyda artistiaid o'r Rhondda gan gynnwys Sophie Evans, Corau Ysgol Llwyncelyn, Y Cwm ac Ysgol Cwm Rhondda.
7.00 Recordiau Rhys Mwyn
Clasuron coll o gasgliad Rhys Mwyn, a gwesteion yn hel atgofion am yr 80au a'r 90au.
10.00 Geraint Lloyd
Cerddoriaeth a sgwrsio ar y shifft hwyr.
Ffôn: 03703 500500
EBOST: geraint.lloyd@bbc.co.uk
12.00 *gweler Radio 5 Live*

Noswyl Nadolig

5.30am Daniel Jenkins-Jones Cerddoriaeth a chwmnïaeth ben bore, gyda bwletinau newyddion, chwaraeon, tywydd a thraffig.
7.00 Post Cyntaf
Dylan Jones a Kate Crockett gyda'r newyddion diweddaraf yng Nghymru a thu hwnt.
EBOST: post.cyntaf@bbc.co.uk
8.30 Aled Hughes Straeon cyfredol a cherddoriaeth.
10.00 Bore Cothi
Croeso cynnes dros baned gyda Shân Cothi.
12.00 Dros Ginio Trin a thrafod Cymru a'r byd, gyda Jennifer Jones yn cyflwyno.
2.00pm Marc Griffiths
Cerddoriaeth a sgwrsio, yn ogystal â chystadleuaeth neu ddwy.
EBOST: marc.griffiths@bbc.co.uk
5.00 Post Prynhawn
Newyddion y dydd yng Nghymru a thu hwnt.
5.30 Mair
Drama gan Manon Steffan Ros.
6.00 Carolau o'r Gadeirlan
Dilwyn Morgan yn cyflwyno Cyngerdd Hosbis Dewi Sant o Gadeirlan Bangor gyda Elin Fflur, Côr Seiriol, Côr y Brythoniaid a Chôr Llechen Lân.
7.00 Hwyrnos Georgia Ruth
Dewis eclectig o gerddoriaeth.
10.00 Geraint Lloyd
12.00 *gweler Radio 5 Live*

Dydd Nadolig

5.30am Yr Oedfa Gwasanaeth Dydd Nadolig yng nghwmni'r Parchedig Owain Llŷr Evans, gyda chymorth aelodau Eglwys Minny Street, Caerdydd.
Ail-ddarlledir am 12.00
6.30 Arwel a Myrddin, Hogia'r Wyddfa Cerddoriaeth amrywiol ar gyfer bore 'Dolig gydag Arwel Jones a Myrddin Owen.
8.00 Aled Hughes
10.00 Tudur Owen
Ymunwch â Tudur, Dyl a Manon a'u gwesteion ar gyfer llond tŷ o hwyl yr ŵyl. Yn galw heibio i ganu ambell gân mae Elin Fflur, Ffion Emyr, Steffan Lloyd Owen ac Elidir Glyn. Hefyd, cyfle i glywed pennod arbennig o Bron Meirion.
12.00 Yr Oedfa
Darlledwyd am 5.30am

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Cymru



Your seasonal radio listings continued

1.00pm Annette Bryn Parri Y gyfeilyddes Annette Bryn Parry yn hel atgofion gydag ambell westai yn ogystal â chwarae rhai o'i hoff darnau. Darlledwyd Sul 22 am 7.05pm
2.00 Robat Arwyn Y cerddor a'r cyfansoddwr Robat Arwyn yn dewis ei hoff gerddoriaeth.
4.00 Jazz gyda Tomos Williams Tomos Williams o'r band Burum gydag awr o jazz Nadoligaidd.
6.00 Meistri Beth sy'n gwneud Bryn Terfelyn feistr ar ei grefft? Garry Owen sy'n holi. Ail-ddarlledir
7.00 Traciau'r Flwyddyn Ddim yn cofio beth oedd Trac yr Wythnos bob wythnos yn 2019? Dyma Ifan Davies i atgoffa!
10.00 Y Gerddorfa Lisa Gwilym ac Aled Hughes yn cyflwyno uchafbwyntiau cyngerdd o Pontio ym Mangor, wrth i Gerddorfa Genedlaethol Gymreig y BBC, Band Pres Llareggub a'u gwesteion ddathlu hanner can mlynedd o Recordiau Sain.
12.00 *gweler Radio 5 Live*

Gŵyl San Steffan

5.30am Cerddoriaeth Miwsig di-dor i ddechrau'r dydd.
6.30 Sioe Frecwast Cerddoriaeth ac adloniant gyda Dafydd a Caryl.
8.00 Post Cyntaf Dylan Jones a Kate Crockett gyda'r newyddion diweddaraf yng Nghymru a thu hwnt. EBOST: post.cyntaf@bbc.co.uk
8.30 Nic Parry Straeon cyfredol a cherddoriaeth, gyda Nic Parry yn lle Aled Hughes.
10.00 Bore Cothi Croeso cynnes dros baned gyda Shân Cothi.
12.00 Y Gerddorfa Heledd Cynwal ac Alwyn Humphreys yn cyflwyno cyngerdd gan Gerddorfa Genedlaethol Gymreig y BBC, sy'n cynnwys Symffoni rhif 1 Tchaikovsky.
1.00pm Newyddion y Flwyddyn Alun Thomas a'i westeion sy'n bwrw golwg yn ôl ar rai o brif straeon newyddion y flwyddyn. Ail-ddarlledir Nos Galan am 5pm
2.00 Croesi Bob Dim Drama gan Tudur Owen. Ail-ddarlledir
2.30 Chwaraeon Radio Cymru Sylwebaethau byw, yn ogystal â chanlyniadau a'r newyddion chwaraeon diweddaraf.
7.30 Byd Huw Stephens Cerddoriaeth newydd, yn ogystal ag ambell berl anghyfarwydd o'r archif.
10.00 Geraint Lloyd Cerddoriaeth a sgwrsio ar y shifft hwyr.
12.00 *gweler Radio 5 Live*

Gwener 27

5.30am Cerddoriaeth Miwsig di-dor i ddechrau'r dydd.
6.30 Sioe Frecwast Cerddoriaeth ac adloniant gyda Huw Stephens.
8.00 Post Cyntaf Y newyddion diweddaraf yng Nghymru a thu hwnt gyda Dylan Jones a Gwenllian Grigg. EBOST: post.cyntaf@bbc.co.uk
9.00 Nic Parry Straeon cyfredol a cherddoriaeth, gyda Nic Parry yn lle Aled Hughes.
10.00 Bore Cothi
12.00 Gig y Pafiliwn Huw Stephens a Lisa Gwilym sy'n cyflwyno uchafbwyntiau Gig y Pafiliwn o Eisteddfod 2019. Ail-ddarlledir
2.00pm Tudur Owen Lot o fwydro, 'chydig o sylwedd, dim swmp.
5.00 Post Prynhawn Newyddion y dydd yng Nghymru a thu hwnt.
5.30 Y Da, Y Drwg a'r Diweddara' Ymunwch â Lisa Angharad, Hywel Pitts a'r Welsh Whisperer wrth iddyn nhw gymryd golwg tafod yn y boch ar wythnos o newyddion lleol a chenedlaethol ar ffurf caneuon dychanol, sgyrsiau a sgetshi.
6.00 Meistri Garry Owen yn holi'r darlledwr Huw Edwards.
7.00 Penwythnos Geth a Ger Cerddoriaeth a hwyl gyda Geth a Ger, gan gynnwys Llinell yr Wythnos Pobol y Cwm!
9.30 Cip o Cabarela Rhaglen cabaret gan Cabarela yn edrych yn ol ar y flwyddyn trwy gân a chomedi.
10.00 Geraint Lloyd
12.00 *gweler Radio 5 Live*

Sadwrn 28

5.30am Caniadaeth y Cysegr Delyth Rees sy'n cyflwyno emynau o gapel Ebenezer, Castell Newydd Emlyn. Ail-ddarlledir Sul 29 am 5.30pm
6.00 Byd Amaeth Dei Tomos gyda newyddion a sgyrsiau'n ymwneud â ffermio.
6.30 Galwad Cynnar Gerallt Pennant a'i westeion yn trafod natur, bywyd gwyllt a chadwraeth. EBOST: galwadcynnar@bbc.co.uk
8.00 Post Cyntaf Newyddion a chwaraeon bore Sadwrn. EBOST: post.cyntaf@bbc.co.uk
8.30 Ar y Marc Dylan Jones a'r criw yn trafod pob math o bethau'n ymwneud â phêl-droed. EBOST: arymarc@bbc.co.uk
9.00 Tudur Owen Lot o fwydro, 'chydig o sylwedd, dim swmp.
12.00 Shelley a Rhydian Cerddoriaeth ac adloniant gyda Shelley Rees a Rhydian Bowen Phillips.
3.00pm Y Cylch Sgwâr: Cofio El Bandito Y cerddor Gai Toms yn creu albwm newydd i ddathlu bywyd ei arwr, y reslwr Orig Williams. Ail-ddarlledir
4.00 Gai a Tara Cerddoriaeth a sgwrs gyda Gai Toms a Tara Bethan.
6.00 Marc Griffiths Cymysgedd o'r hen a'r newydd i ddiddanu ar nos Sadwrn, gan gynnwys llwyth o geisiadau. EBOST: marc.griffiths@bbc.co.uk
9.00 Gaynor Cerddoriaeth a chwmnïaeth ar nos Sadwrn.
12.00 *gweler Radio 5 Live*

Sul 29

5.30am Yr Oedfa Gwasanaeth ar y Sul i wrandawyr Radio Cymru, dan ofal y Parchedig Glyn Tudwal Jones. Ail-ddarlledir am 11.30am
6.00 Arwel a Myrddin, Hogia'r Wyddfa Cerddoriaeth amrywiol gydag Arwel Jones a Myrddin Owen.
8.00 Bwrw Golwg John Roberts a'i westeion yn trafod materion moesol a chrefyddol. EBOST: bwrw.golwg@bbc.co.uk
8.30 Dewi Llwyd ar Fore Sul Adolygiad o'r papurau Sul, cerddoriaeth hamddenol, a sylw i'r celfyddydau.
10.00 Richard Rees Cerddoriaeth a chwmnïaeth i helpu i ymlacio ar fore Sul.
11.30 Yr Oedfa Darlledwyd am 5.30am
12.00 Beti a'i Phobol Beti George yn sgwrsio gydag un o bobl Cymru. Ail-ddarlledir Iau 2 am 6pm
1.00pm Cofio Archif, atgof a chân yng nghwmni John Hardy. Ail-ddarlledir Dydd Calan am 6pm
2.00 Tudur a'r Dyn ar y Lleuad Sut y daeth Monwysyn yn un o beirianwyr pwysig Nasa yn y 60au? Tudur Owen sydd â hanes Tecwyn Roberts, a ddaeth yn rhan allweddol o raglen ofod Unol Daleithiau America dros ddeng mlynedd ar hugain ar ôl iddo gael ei eni yn Llanddaniel Fab. Ail-ddarlledir
2.30 Chwaraeon Radio Cymru Sylwebaethau byw, yn ogystal â chanlyniadau a'r newyddion chwaraeon diweddaraf.
5.30 Caniadaeth y Cysegr Delyth Rees sy'n cyflwyno emynau o gapel Ebenezer, Castell Newydd Emlyn. Darlledwyd Sadwrn 28 am 5.30am
6.00 Tynged y Genedl Cymru? Gwir ynteu gau? Dyna'r cwestiwn mae'r dramodydd Ian Rowlands yn ei ofyn wrth iddo edrych ar berthynas y Cymry Cymraeg a di-Gymraeg yn y Gymru gyfoes. Ail-ddarlledir
6.30 Byd Iolo Mae'r naturiaethwr Iolo Williams yn Zambia, yn chwilio am ryfeddodau byd natur.
7.00 Stori Tic Toc Elin sy'n darllen y stori hon am Sion a Sian yn chwarae pêl yng ngardd nain a taid. Ail-ddarlledir
7.05 Y Talwrn Rownd derfynol cystadleuaeth 2019, wedi'i recordio ym Mhabell Lên Eisteddfod Genedlaethol Sir Conwy. Timau Tir Iarll a'r Ffoaduriaid sy'n cystadlu, a'r Meuryn yw'r Prifardd Ceri Wyn Jones. Ail-ddarlledir
8.00 Ar Eich Cais Rhys Meirion yn darllen cyfarchion ac yn chwarae ceisiadau. EBOST: areichcais@bbc.co.uk
9.00 John ac Alun Cerddoriaeth a sgwrsio i gloi'r penwythnos.
12.00 *gweler Radio 5 Live*

Llun 30

5.30am Cerddoriaeth Miwsig di-dor i ddechrau'r dydd.
6.30 Sioe Frecwast Cerddoriaeth ac adloniant gyda Dafydd a Caryl.
8.00 Post Cyntaf Dylan Jones a Kate Crockett gyda'r newyddion diweddaraf yng Nghymru a thu hwnt. EBOST: post.cyntaf@bbc.co.uk
8.30 Nic Parry Straeon cyfredol a cherddoriaeth, gyda Nic Parry yn lle Aled Hughes.
10.00 Bore Cothi
12.00 Dros Ginio Trin a thrafod Cymru a'r byd, gyda Dewi Llwyd yn cyflwyno.
1.00pm Wal Berlin Ddeg mlynedd ar hugain wedi cwymp Wal Berlin mae Vaughan Roderick yn ymweld â'r ddinas yng nghwmni Marion Löffler, a fagwyd yn nwyrain y ddinas, gan holi a yw'r hyn ddigwyddodd yno yn taflu golau ar Brecsit a'i ganlyniadau. Ail-ddarlledir
2.00 Marc Griffiths Cerddoriaeth a sgwrsio, yn ogystal â chystadleuaeth neu ddwy. EBOST: marc.griffiths@bbc.co.uk
5.00 Post Prynhawn Newyddion y dydd yng Nghymru a thu hwnt.
5.30 Sŵn Sain Griff Lynch a Dyl Mei yn cymryd golwg ar 50 mlynedd o'r label Sain trwy gyfrwng technegau recordiau yr hanner can mlynedd ddiwetha'. Ail-ddarlledir Dydd Calan am 2pm
6.00 Stiwdio Golwg ar y celfyddydau yng Nghymru a thu hwnt.
7.00 Recordiau Rhys Mwyn Clasuron coll o gasgliad Mr Mwyn, a gwesteion yn hel atgofion.
10.00 Geraint Lloyd Cerddoriaeth a sgwrsio ar y shifft hwyr.
12.00 *gweler Radio 5 Live*

Nos Galan

5.30am Cerddoriaeth Miwsig di-dor i ddechrau'r dydd.
6.30 Sioe Frecwast Cerddoriaeth ac adloniant gyda Dafydd a Caryl.
8.30 Nic Parry Straeon cyfredol a cherddoriaeth, gyda Nic Parry yn lle Aled Hughes.
10.00 Bore Cothi Croeso cynnes dros baned gyda Shân Cothi.
12.00 Dros Ginio Trin a thrafod Cymru a'r byd, gyda Jennifer Jones yn cyflwyno.
1.00pm Sŵn Sain Griff Lynch a Dyl Mei yn cymryd golwg ar hanner can mlynedd o'r label SAIN trwy gyfrwng technoleg a thechnegau recordiau yr hanner can mlynedd ddiwetha. Ail-ddarlledir
2.00 Marc Griffiths Cerddoriaeth a sgwrsio, yn ogystal â chystadleuaeth neu ddwy.
5.00 Newyddion y Flwyddyn Alun Thomas a'i westeion sy'n bwrw golwg yn ôl ar rai o brif straeon newyddion y flwyddyn. Darlledwyd Gŵyl San Steffan am 1pm
6.00 Y Talwrn Tîm Cymru, Lloegr a Llanrwst yn herio tîm Barddas mewn gornest recordiwyd fel rhan o ŵyl Gerallt. Ail-ddarlledir
7.00 Dathlu'r Degawd Golwg yn ôl dros draciau'r ddeng mlynedd diwethaf.
10.00 John ac Alun Cerddoriaeth a sgwrsio i gloi 2019.
12.30am Cerddoriaeth Miwsig di-dor ar gyfer oriau mân Dydd Calan.

Dydd Calan

6.30am Sioe Frecwast Cerddoriaeth ac adloniant gyda Dafydd a Caryl.
8.30 Nic Parry Straeon cyfredol a cherddoriaeth, gyda Nic Parry yn lle Aled Hughes.
10.00 Bore Cothi
12.00 Sioeau Cerdd Steffan Rhys Sylw i sioeau cerdd, a chyfle i glywed cantorion Cymraeg yn perfformio caneuon ohonyn nhw.
2.00pm Sŵn Sain Griff Lynch a Dyl Mei yn cymryd golwg ar 50 mlynedd o'r label Sain trwy gyfrwng technegau recordiau yr hanner can mlynedd ddiwetha'. Darlledwyd Llun 30 am 5.30pm
2.30 Chwaraeon Radio Cymru Sylwebaethau byw, yn ogystal â chanlyniadau a'r newyddion chwaraeon diweddaraf.
5.30 Sŵn Sain
6.00 Cofio Archif, atgof a chân yng nghwmni John Hardy. Darlledwyd Sul 29 am 1pm
7.00 Lisa Gwilym yn Cyflwyno... Cerddoriaeth newydd Cymru, gyda Bethan Elfyn yn lle Lisa Gwilym.
10.00 Geraint Lloyd
12.00 *gweler Radio 5 Live*

Iau 2

5.30am John Hardy
7.00 Post Cyntaf Dylan Jones a Kate Crockett gyda'r newyddion diweddaraf yng Nghymru a thu hwnt.
8.30 Nic Parry
10.00 Bore Cothi
12.00 Dros Ginio Trin a thrafod Cymru a'r byd, gyda Catrin Haf Jones yn cyflwyno.
2.00pm Marc Griffiths
5.00 Post Prynhawn Newyddion y dydd yng Nghymru a thu hwnt.
6.00 Beti a'i Phobol Beti George yn sgwrsio gydag un o bobl Cymru. Darlledwyd Sul 29 am 12.00
7.00 Byd Huw Stephens Cerddoriaeth newydd, yn ogystal ag ambell berl anghyfarwydd o'r archif.
10.00 Geraint Lloyd Cerddoriaeth a sgwrsio ar y shifft hwyr.
12.00 *gweler Radio 5 Live*

Gwener 3

5.30am John Hardy
7.00 Post Cyntaf Y newyddion diweddaraf yng Nghymru a thu hwnt gyda Dylan Jones a Gwenllian Grigg. EBOST: post.cyntaf@bbc.co.uk
9.00 Nic Parry
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12.00 Dros Ginio Trin a thrafod Cymru a'r byd, gyda Dewi Llwyd yn cyflwyno.
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5.00 Post Prynhawn
6.00 Welsh Whisperer Dwli a cherddoriaeth ar danwydd diesel coch – dewch i 'nabod y Welsh Whisperer!
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Llun 23
6.30am Cerddoriaeth 'Dolig 2: Cerddoriaeth i baratoi ar gyfer y Nadolig gyda Dafydd a Caryl.
10.00 Cerddoriaeth 'Dolig 2: Cerddoriaeth i baratoi ar gyfer y Nadolig gyda Carl ac Alun.
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Noswyl Nadolig
6.30am Cerddoriaeth 'Dolig 2: Cerddoriaeth i baratoi ar gyfer y Nadolig gyda Dafydd a Caryl.
10.00 Cerddoriaeth 'Dolig 2: Cerddoriaeth i baratoi ar gyfer y Nadolig gyda Huw Stephens.
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Iau 26
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Sadwrn 28
7.00am–9.00 Sioe Frecwast: Cerddoriaeth ac adloniant gyda Daniel Glyn.

Sul 29
8.00am–10.00 Sioe Frecwast: Cerddoriaeth ac adloniant gyda Bethan Clement.

Llun–Iau
6.30am–8.30 Sioe Frecwast: Cerddoriaeth ac adloniant gyda Dafydd a Caryl.

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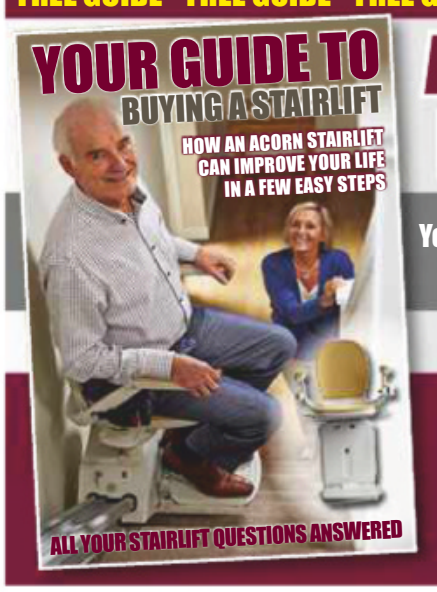

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Solution, see page 287



864

75 5 8 3 1 6

Super Sudoku 734

8	5				2			3
		2		6	7			5
			5				1	
9	8					7		
	4						2	
		1					5	9
	9				5			
5			6	2		3		
7			3				8	1

How to play Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3 x 3 box contains the digits 1 to 9. **Difficulty: 15/20**

SUDOKU NO 733 SOLUTION

6	7	5	4	8	9	2	3	1
2	3	9	6	7	1	8	4	5
8	1	4	5	3	2	6	9	7
5	6	3	8	2	7	4	1	9
7	4	2	9	1	6	3	5	8
9	8	1	3	5	4	7	6	2
4	9	7	2	6	5	1	8	3
1	5	8	7	4	3	9	2	6
3	2	6	1	9	8	5	7	4

Solution in the next issue of *RT*

Only Connect with Victoria Coren Mitchell

The connecting wall from BBC2's *Only Connect* combines general knowledge, word play and lateral thinking.

How to play Sort the 16 seemingly random words in the grid below into four groups of four connected items. You may find some clues fall into more than one category, but there is only one complete solution. If you get stuck, there are clues below.

Solution, see page 287



Comet	Welcome	Bounty	Shopping
Laundry	Boost	Vixen	Moon
Dasher	Asteroid	Twirl	Dancer
Galaxy	Prancer	Nebula	Picnic

Only if you're stuck... try these clues: Vixen, Comet, Galaxy, Picnic

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The Enigma Code

Can you crack the Enigma code? Each grid number represents a letter. Every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letters – below the main grid – to start.

Difficulty: 9/20 Target time: 18 minutes Solution, see page 287

■	10	7	26	26	15	19	13	14	■	8	26	5
24	■	9	■	14	■	14	■	■	■	19	■	15
8	13	14	26	2	■	1	26	7	17	6	14	2
16	■	26	■	8	■	5	■	■	■	23	■	2
15	■	■	11	15	13	7	2	■	14	12	12	4
20	■	10	■	23	■	23	■	16	■	8	■	■
10	14	8	9	14	23	■	5	14	26	23	14	13
■	■	4	■	26	■	1	■	2	■	2	■	6
25	6	20	2	■	10	8	21	14	13	■	■	22
6	■	2	■	■	■	9	■	7	■	20	■	6
15	16	8	3	15	23	14	■	26	7	18	14	26
1	■	1	■	■	■	8	■	15	■	8	■	4
4	8	5	■	26	14	2	15	1	14	23	2	■

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

1	2	3	4	5 K	6	7	8	9	10 H	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

Trackword by Clive Doig

How many words of three letters or more can you find by tracking from one square to the next, going up, down, sideways or diagonally in order? You may not use the same letter square twice in any word. Proper nouns or foreign words not allowed. Adding an "s" to make the third-person singular of a verb is allowed; a plural is not. What is the nine-letter word?

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A	E	U
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BRAINBOX 29 words AVERAGE 20

Solution in the next issue of *RT*

Last issue's nine-letter word: ENJOYMENT

een, enemy, enjoy, enjoyment, eon, jee, jet, joe, joey, joy, meet, men, mene, meno, met, mon, money, moy, neem, nene, neon, net, nom, nome, nomen, noy, omen, one, tee, teem, teen, ten, yen, yeomen, yet, yon
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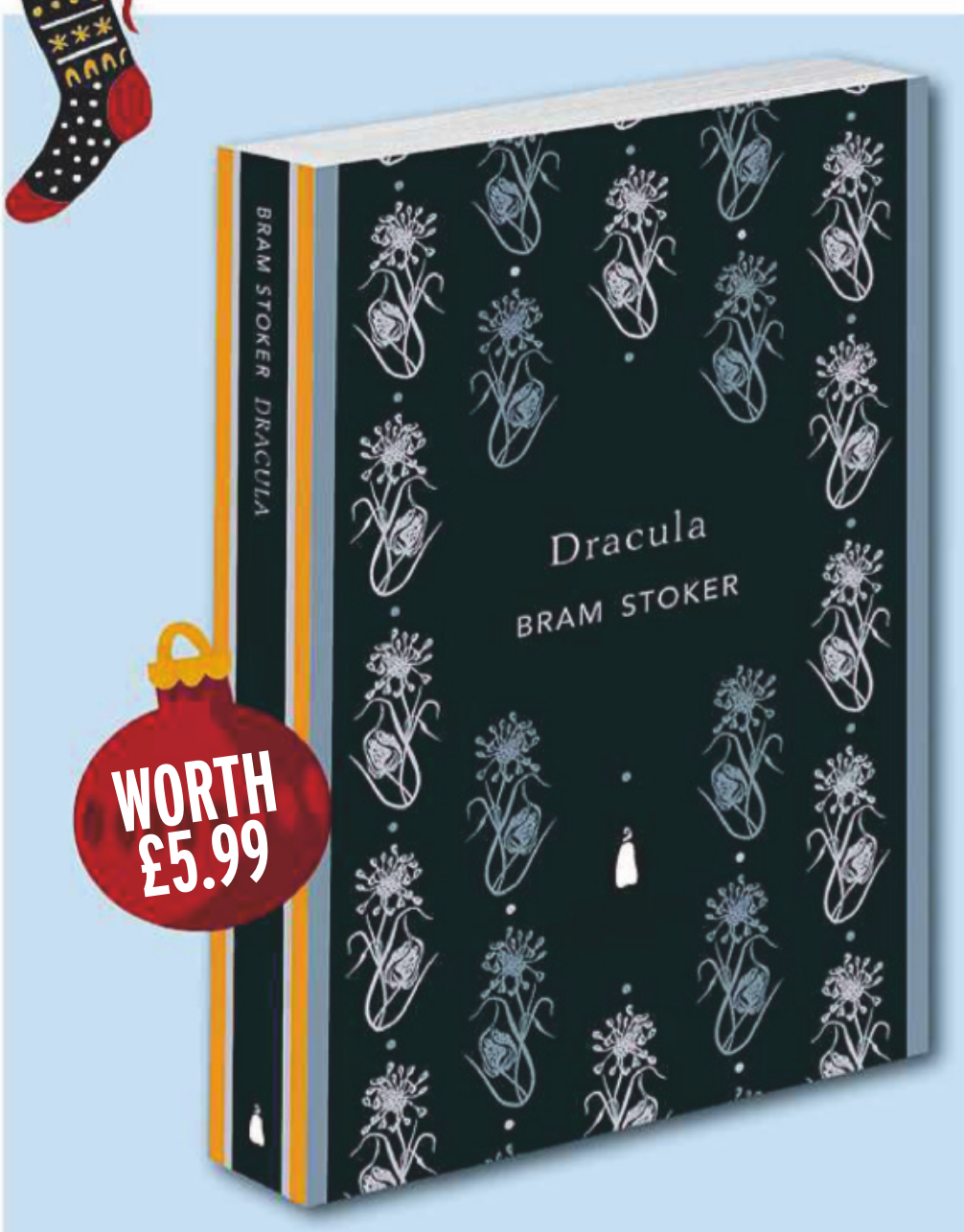

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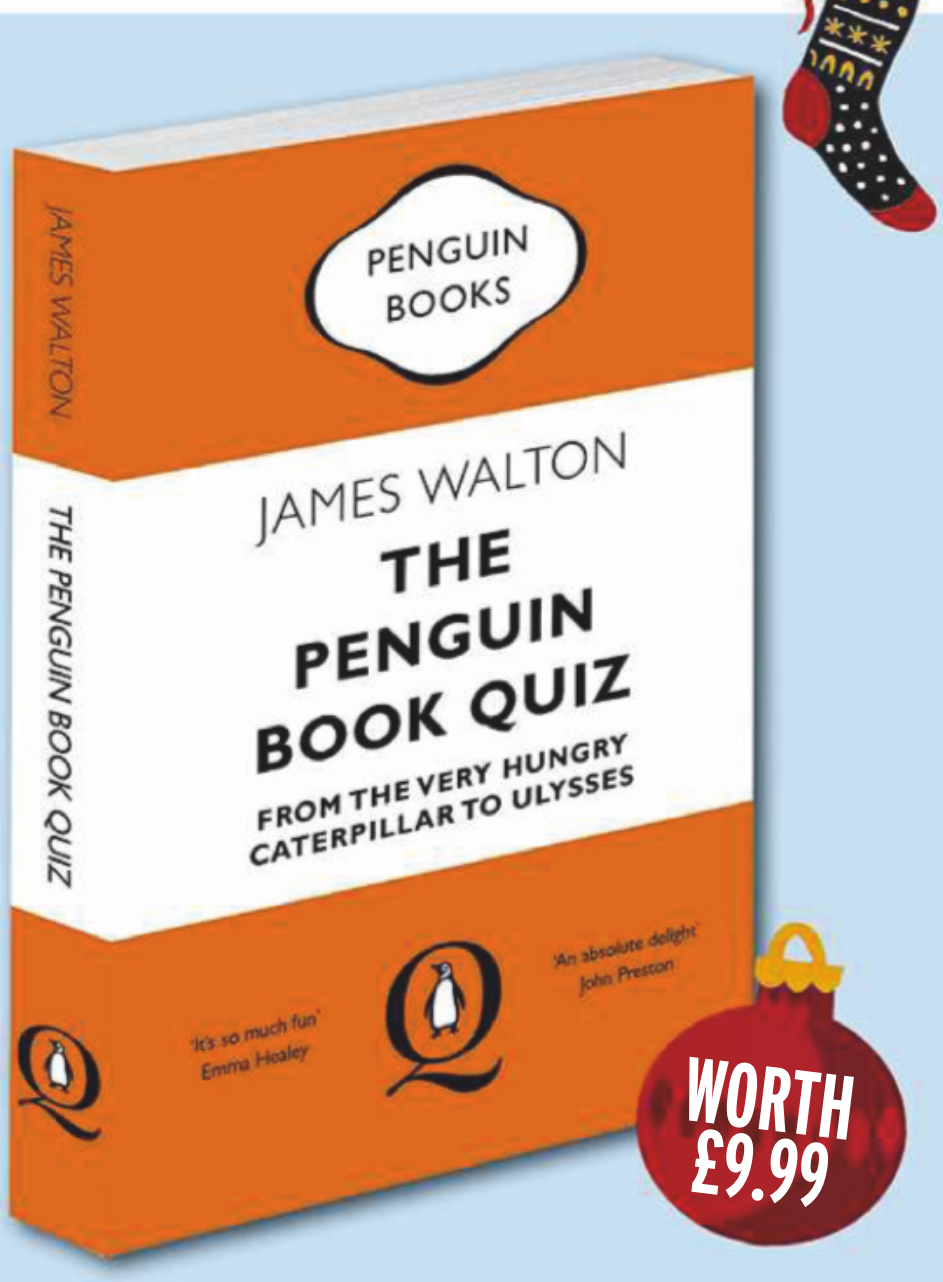

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c Jimmy Connors

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3 In darts, a checkout of 138 is named after which world champion?
a John Lowe **b** Keith Deller
c Jocky Wilson

4 Who wrote *The Admirable Crichton*, a comedy that was first performed on the London stage in 1902 and made into a film in 1957?
a JM Barrie **b** Arthur Ransome
c AA Milne

PAT GIBSON

5 Estoc is a term for what type of historical weapon?
a Pistol **b** Lance **c** Sword

6 Which Nobel Laureate gave half his prize money to his assistant Charles Best, whom he felt deserved to share the Nobel Prize with him?
a Karl Landsteiner **b** Frederick Banting
c Ronald Ross

BARRY SIMMONS

7 Which eccentric 16th-century astronomer reportedly employed a court jester and kept a pet elk?
a Tycho Brahe **b** Nicolaus Copernicus
c Johannes Kepler

8 In which year did British driver James Hunt win the Formula One World Championship?
a 1970 **b** 1976 **c** 1982

BETH WEBSTER

9 The former prime minister Theresa May worked for which institution from 1977 to 1983?
a Bank of England **b** London Transport
c National Theatre

10 What title is held by the wife of an earl?
a Baroness **b** Duchess **c** Countess

Answers, see right

Dictionary corner with Susie Dent

Many words from the past are worth reviving at Christmas. Here are a few that you might like to squeeze into conversation…

Apanthropy An aversion to the company of others; a love of solitude.
Confelicity To delight in another's joy.



Enfarce A 16th-century word meaning to stuff oneself with food.
Merryneum This is a recently-invented and quite useful word that blends "merry" and "perineum", and refers to the strange hinterland between Christmas and New Year.
Pantophile Someone who loves everyone and everything.
Scurryfunge To rush around tidying up the house before guests arrive.
Yule-hole Scots dialect; the hole on your belt that you have to resort to after eating Christmas dinner.

Popmaster with Ken Bruce



1960s

1 In 1960, who sang about a *Lonely Pup (In A Christmas Shop)*?

2 Name the group who made the top ten in 1965 with *Merry Gentle Pops*?

1970s

3 In 1978, Boney M topped the charts for four weeks with a medley of two songs, *Mary's Boy Child* and which other title?

4 According to her 1975 top five hit, who said *It's Gonna Be a Cold Cold Christmas*?

1980s

5 Which title is shared by a 1992 top three hit by David Essex and a 1995 top ten hit by Queen?

6 Which group of puppets made the top 40 in 1986 with *Santa Claus Is on the Dole*?

1990s

7 When did Mariah Carey's *All I Want for Christmas Is You* first make the top ten?

8 Which band covered the Eagles' 1978 top 40 hit *Please Come Home for Christmas* and took it into the top ten in 1994?

2000s–present

9 Which rock band had a top three hit in 2003 with *Christmas Time (Don't Let the Bells End)*?

10 *December Song (I Dreamed of Christmas)* was a top 20 hit in 2009 for which star?

Answers, see right

QUESTIONS BY PHIL "THE COLLECTOR" SWERN

RT Quiz of the Year

Answers to the questions on p63

ALISON GRAHAM

1 Emma Thompson played Vivienne Rook in *Years and Years* **2** *Baptiste* **3** Matthew "Dot" Cottan, played by Craig Parkinson **4** Scarborough **5** Danish actor Claes Bang, who stars in both **6** Andrew Davies, *Sanditon* **7** Colonel Edward "Ned" Despard **8** Sarah Lancashire **9** Rob Lowe, *Wild Bill* **10** *Cleaning Up*

ANDREW COLLINS

11 *Avengers: Endgame* (at time of going to press, it had accrued $2,798 billion to *Avatar's* $2,789 billion) **12** *Fast & Furious* **13** *The Irishman* **14** Jason Statham **15** *Blinded by the Light* **16** Dwayne Johnson **17** *Doctor Sleep* **18** Emma Thompson **19** Ken Loach **20** *Once upon a Time... in Hollywood*

JANE ANDERSON

21 Simon Mayo **22** Joe Grundy, following the death of actor Edward Kelsey in April **23** Chris Evans, for his Virgin Radio breakfast show **24** Jamie Barton, who walked on stage waving a Pride flag **25** John Humphrys, after 32 years **26** John Cooper Clarke **27** Dev Griffin **28** Moira Stuart **29** *Cats* **30** Barry Manilow

PADDY O'CONNELL

31 China **32** Gregg **33** Seven years **34** Five **35** Archie **36** Jeremy Hunt **37** Lady (Brenda) Hale **38** Operation Matterhorn **39** Sainsbury's **40** Woking

EASY CROSSWORD SOLUTION from page 288

Across 1 *The Lord of the Rings* **5** Reform **59** Apple **60** Janet Street-Porter **Down 1** *The Chase* **2** Floe **3** Dry martini **4** Sofa bed **5** At the present time **6** Lens **7** Midway **8** Against **9** Farm **10** Stocking filler **13** Skye **18** Charger **20** Reduce **22** Ariel **25** *When a Child Is Born* **27** Icing **28** Naughty **29** Trestle **31** *I Saw Three Ships* **35** Ladle **37** Re-entry **38** Helium **40** Pop in **43** Eavesdrops **47** Observer **48** Arsenal **49** Measles **51** Eats **52** Butter **55** Ally **56** Rest **58** Firs

PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

To the teasers on this page and p285

POPMASTER
1 Adam Faith **2** The Barron Knights **3** *Oh My Lord* **4** Dana **5** *A Winter's Tale* **6** Spitting Image **7** 1994 **8** Bon Jovi **9** The Darkness **10** George Michael

basket Laundry, Welcome, Shopping, Picnic

ENIGMA
Across Horrible, Ark, Alert, Croquet, Pilot, Eddy, Heaven, Kernel, Just, Hazel, Imagine, Rower, Yak, Reticent
Down Famish, Juicy, Over, Haystack, Retainer, Beckon, Caveat, Meteoric, Abundant, Swan, Kitty, Luxury.

POINTLESS
Castle of Mey (1 answered) Windsor Castle (56) Kensington Palace (43) The Royal Pavilion (2) Osborne House (18)
So Castle of Mey is the answer that the fewest people gave.

EGGHEADS
1 a **2** c **3** b **4** a **5** c **6** b **7** a **8** b **9** a **10** c

COUNTDOWN
How Rachel did it:
75-3=72, **8+5-1**=12, 12x72=**864**

ONLY CONNECT
Santa's reindeer Dasher, Prancer, Vixen, Dancer
Celestial objects Comet, Asteroid, Nebula, Moon
Chocolate bars Galaxy, Boost, Bounty, Twirl



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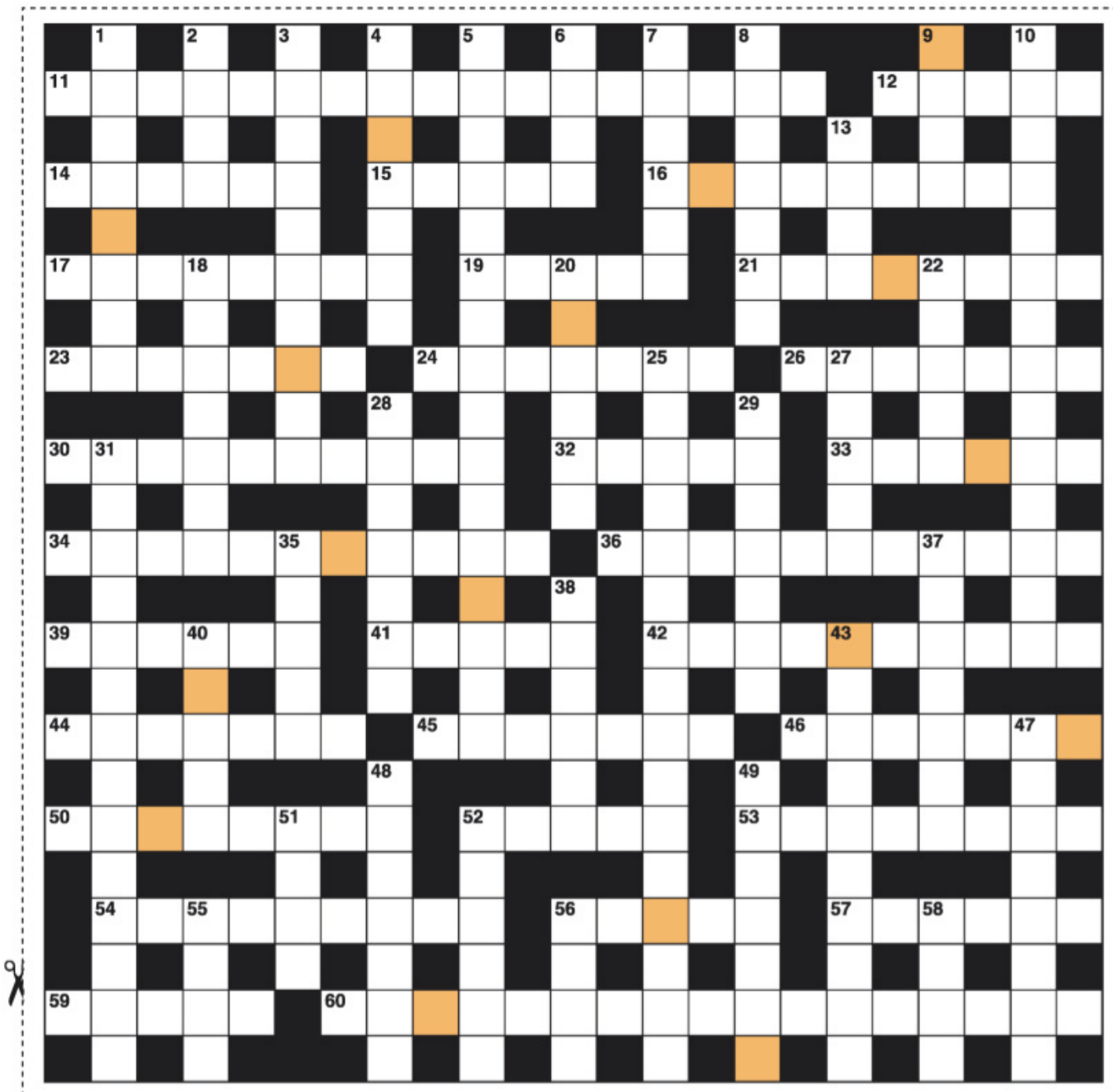

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PRIZE CLUES

ACROSS

11 Show of cleverness is obliterating as TNT can be (8,3,6)
12 Full of festive cheer, but go wrong during extremes of melody (5)
14 Backward soldier, when in vehicles, smokes (6)
15 One entertainment, two per adult displayed (5)
16 Superhero to dream about being in a whirl (6-3)
17 Some heckling comfortably confined by Christmas-time retailer (8)
19 Cricket side followed by Juliet? (5)
21 Familiar Dickensian where Geordie is in swirling breeze (8)
23 Beethoven is only eating meat (7)
24 Discover topless bird within coterie (2-5)
26 Saying that dog is wearing lead (7)
30 Rough figure Noah is OK (4,6)
32 Not wholly pleasant as a present-bringer (5)
33 Boy is finally about to stop (6)
34 Person like 21 Across is on the ramp again (11)
36 Loosen up fat by sprinkling some sugar (11)
39 Heard of large animal with hair application (6)
41 Shortly return end of little piece of rope (5)
42 Party pooper looking dull in tacky risk (3,7)
44 Just like foreign articles split into parts (7)
45 Functioning in series of bad weather (7)
46 Not skating with right administrator (7)
50 Wise man bringing gold after Michel converted (8)
52 Stick duck inside boat (5)
53 Programme of seminars – by what means? (4,4)
54 Dwarf worth exchanging ring with sci-fi favourite (6,3)
56 Good deal turning film for hire (2,3)
57 Umpteen back in party to see magician (6)
59 Leave a coat (5)
60 Fairy tale lover by East End, that is strange (6,3,3,5)

DOWN

1 Loudly beseeches insect, hallelujah! (6,2)
2 In secret, name European mountain (4)
3 What Hollywood becomes at Christmas? (10)
4 First light railway surrounds dawdling artist (1,1,5)
5 Unconventional yard, shop around for old Xmas number one (8,8)
6 Covered walk where weasel-like animal is out of time? (4)
7 State that might be baked (6)
8 Party requests – about six I sent out (7)
9 Players drink with maiden (4)
10 Potentially can cure, as cover for Mary making topping (9,5)
13 Fund-raiser making lot, say (4)
18 Without leader, worth regarding a country (7)
20 Getting uniform into frock needs some arm-twisting (6)
22 500 leave digs with festive helpers (5)
25 New World dinner at odds with old Christmas song (6,10)
27 In city, briefly notice transmitter (5)
28 55 Down ingredient of today, we hear (7)
29 River's that thing you start with incorrect statement (7)
31 Funny, mad, sensational veteran actress! (6,8)
35 Subject of Tenerife ends covering border (5)
37 Those looking after name of girl? (7)
38 Old fantasy series is wizard (6)
40 Therefore, almost take like the screwdriver of 54 Across (5)
43 Drunken dotard fell from access to Christmas decorations? (4,6)
47 Stone me! Awful small dessert (4,4)
48 Cart I left with wide boat (7)
49 Ton found in work of art by law (7)
51 One container for MP3 (4)
52 Group of singers giving a few notes short to America (6)
55 Bar Christmas fare? (4)
56 Ann leaving speaker systems as Xmas presents (4)
58 Sign up to November Christmas! (4)

EASY CLUES Answers page 287

Across **11** Peter Jackson film trilogy (3,4,2,3,5) **12** Christmas show (5) **14** Cry out (6) **15** Fireside cinders (5) **16** Scotch and ginger wine (6,3) **17** French white wine (8) **19** Festive celebration (5) **21** Outline of events (8) **23** Made from pottery (7) **24** Fail to satisfy (3,4) **26** Biblical news (7) **30** Journey to a sacred place (10) **32** Shout for joy (5) **33** Ornamentally embedded (6) **34** Hung on a Christmas tree (5,6) **36** Buffet item (7,4) **39** Daft (6) **41** Strong string (5) **42** *Die Another Day* actress (5,5) **44** Packed in paper (7) **45** Car (7) **46** Prolonged applause (7) **50** A sleigh-puller (8) **52** Disney movie (5) **53** Writer of short serious pieces (8) **54** Drama set in Aidensfield (9) **56** TV detective from Edinburgh (5) **57** Change for the better (6) **59** Makers of the iPod (5) **60** *Loose Women* panellist (5,6-6)

Down **1** Bradley Walsh quiz show (3,5) **2** Sheet of drifting ice (4) **3** Gin and vermouth cocktail (3,7) **4** Convertible settee (4,3) **5** Right now (2,3,7,4) **6** Camera component (4) **7** At a central point (6) **8** Opposed to (7) **9** Old MacDonald had one (4) **10** Small gifts (8,6) **13** Breed of Scottish terrier (4) **18** Large serving dish (7) **20** Make smaller (6) **22** Disney's little mermaid (5) **25** Johnny Mathis Christmas hit (4,1,5,2,4) **27** Cake topping (5) **28** Badly behaved (7) **29** Frame for a temporary table (7) **31** Christmas carol (1,3,5,5) **35** Large serving spoon (5) **37** Spacecraft's return to Earth (2-5) **38** Balloon gas (6) **40** Pay a quick visit (3,2) **43** Listens in (10) **47** Person watching (8) **48** Football team (7) **49** Infectious disease (7) **51** Has a meal (4) **52** Dairy spread (6) **55** Friendly country (4) **56** Take it easy (4) **58** Evergreen trees (4)

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Miriam Margolyes

‘I once drank 17 sherries’

She looks angelic and plays a nun, but don’t be fooled…

You’re looking very twinkly, Miriam – are you the true spirit of Christmas?
I’m a Jewish lesbian who hates Christmas, what am I doing playing a nun in the most-viewed programme on British television on Christmas Day? Something over six million people watch *Call the Midwife* – it’s part of people’s Christmas and as I’m in this episode I might have to make it part of mine.

Six million! You’re more important than the Queen’s Speech…
Don’t be absurd! Wash your mouth out, that’s rubbish.

Did you enjoy making the *Call the Midwife* Christmas special in the Hebrides?
It’s the most beautiful place I have ever been, despite the appalling weather. We spent most of our time freezing and soaked to the skin with our wimples dripping. Have you ever had a dripping wimple? It’s not something that you’d ever want.

What else will you be watching on Christmas Day?
I’ll buy *Radio Times*, especially as I’m in it, and I’ll say to my partner Heather that we must watch this and that. We will probably go on Wimbledon Common for a walk and read as well, but we will watch a lot of television. I love documentaries and I love old-fashioned comedy. I always used to watch Morecambe and Wise and I think *Dad’s Army* is the greatest programme that was ever made. It showed a sweeter England, though it wasn’t full of women, so I’m going against my feminist instincts by loving it so much.

Will you have a slap-up Christmas dinner?
I was brought up in a Jewish family, but Mother always did a turkey and she and my father would invite people round who were down on their luck. So we might have a roast, though I’m trying to be vegetarian.

How’s that going?
Not very well!

A festive drink, perhaps?
Jewish people don’t drink, really, we eat. At one of our festivals we are required to drink four glasses of wine, it is a diktat. After that I think, that’s it, I don’t need any more. Once I drank 17 sherries at a party in Cambridge. I was on my knees staring miserably at the lavatory and gurping for four hours.

You don’t really hate Christmas, do you?
I’m not a religious person. If you are religious that’s all fine and good, but never be a hypocrite, and there is a lot of hypocrisy about. The tragedies of life are around us all the time; there is poverty, there is cruelty, there is prejudice, there is illness, there is loneliness. All these things are there all year round but, just at Christmas, people do spare a thought for others, and that’s what I like. If it makes you think, for a minute, about somebody else, then that’s the good of Christmas.

MICHAEL HODGES

Call the Midwife is on Christmas Day 7.00pm BBC1



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What's your festive mood today?

Bah humbug!

Would get

Jingle all the way

A lot

Yes



How Christmassy do you like your movies?

A little

Can I unwrap some must-see TV instead?

I just love a good movie

Superhero fans



Would you put Die Hard on your Christmas movie list?

Who's on the sofa with you?

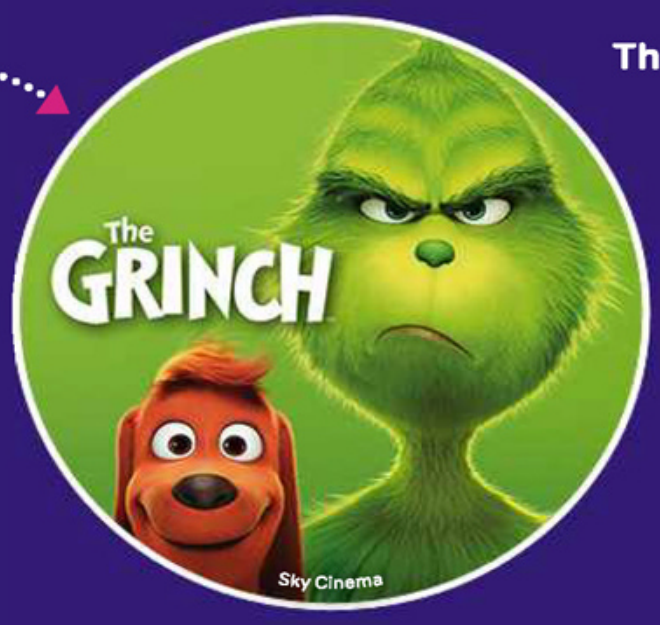
A sofa snorer

Yippee Ki Yay!

No way!

The whole family







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How about a little wizarding magic?



a little festive magic you in the mood?



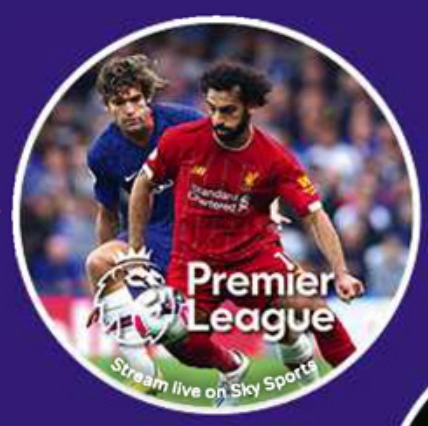
No

Back-to-back family comedy

What's on your Christmas TV wishlist?

Awesome sporting action

A Christmas kick-about



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A festive game of skill



Russian queen



Rock queen



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