

# NewsOfTheWeek:

(week commencing 15/1/24)

## **Monday:**

### Politics:

- Cleverly rebukes 'do-gooders' over gunman's deportation fight (The Times- [link](#))
- Houthi missile hits US-owned container ship in Gulf of Aden (BBC News- [link](#))
- Rishi Sunak accused of using 'Islamophobic trope' against labour MP (The Independent- [link](#))
- Nigel Farage says Vladimir Putin would not have invaded Ukraine if Donald Trump was US president (Sky News- [link](#))
- Voters turn on 'spineless' Sunak as dire poll results and Rwanda row spark fresh leadership crisis (The Independent- [link](#))
- Defence secretary warns of further wars with Russia, China and Iran in next five years (The Independent- [link](#))
- Sir Keir faces calls to sack Labour MPs who attacked strikes on Houthis as critics blast 'whose side are you on' (The Sun- [link](#))
- Tory deputy chairman Lee Anderson says he'll defy Sunak over Rwanda bill (The i- [link](#))
- Sen. Paul says Fauci deserves prison for COVID- 19 mishandling: 'there was no science (Fox News- [link](#))
- Trump heading to Arizona to speak at state GOP event (The Hill- [link](#))
- Vivek Ramaswamy urges supporters not to believe polls in final Iowa pitch (The Guardian- [link](#))

### Energy:

- Renewables to overtake coal as largest global electricity source in 2025 (TeslaRati- [link](#))

### Death:

- 'Dangerous' sex offender hunted over mother's death could be dead, say police (The Independent- [link](#))

### Environmental/weather/space:

- Snow blankets parts of UK as temperatures plunge to -5C in 'arctic' blast (The Independent- [link](#))
- Anglian Water spills sewage for two weeks straight into rare chalk stream (The i- [link](#))

### Miscellaneous (random):

- Bobi: 'Oldest ever dog' loses title as investigation launched by Guinness World Records (Sky News- [link](#))
- Davos: Global crises set to dominate gathering of business leaders (BBC News- [link](#))
- Love Island All Stars fans slam 'embarrassing and unacceptable' format change (The Sun- [link](#))

## Tuesday:

### Politics:

- 60 Tories defy Sunak over Rwanda plan but rebellion fails to force amendments (The i- [link](#))
- Reform Sets Up Tory Defections Unit (PoliticsHome- [link](#))
- Putin says Ukraine Statehood at risk if pattern of war continues (Reuters- [link](#))
- Hunter Biden not protected from gun charges by Second Amendment (Reuters- [link](#))
- Biden to hold Ukraine aid talks with US lawmakers (AFP- [link](#))
- Trump faces tougher test in New Hampshire after blowout in Iowa win (Reuters- [link](#))
- Vivek Ramaswamy drops out of race for 2024 US Republican presidential nomination (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Trump attends court for second E Jean Carroll defamation trial (The Independent- [link](#))

### Energy:

- Italy's top court to decide on legality of \$3.8bn energy windfall tax (Reuters- [link](#))
- Drax carbon capture 'could add 1bn a year' to household bills (The Times- [link](#))

### Environmental/weather/space:

- Japan doubles emergency funds after New Year's Day quake (AFP- [link](#))
- Iceland Volcano Eruption Destroys Homes, May Signal a New Era of Frequent Activity (Smithsonian- [link](#))

### Miscellaneous (random):

- Russia jails officer for buying wrong hardware to protect Crimean bridge from Ukrainian attack- TASS (Reuters- [link](#))
- Palestinian Authority 'ready to take charge of all of Gaza' (The Times- [link](#))
- Migrant boat arrivals to Spain nearly quadruple in January (Reuters- [link](#))
- BBC must reprimand Gary Lineker over Israel tweet, says ex boss (The i- [link](#))
- Avanti West Coast caught joking that taxpayer funding is 'free money' (Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Survey reveals 97% of school leaders want single-word Ofsted judgments axed (ITV News- [link](#))
- Richard Masters: I can't reveal date for Manchester City Hearing (The Times- [link](#))
- Iran launches record breaking missile barrage as 'warning' to Israel and US (The i- [link](#))
- Fujitsu boss apologises for Horizon scandal (The Telegraph- [link](#))
- More evidence to ban energy drinks for children, study finds (BBC News- [link](#))
- Covid-19 vaccines saved 1.4 million lives across Europe; study finds (The Telegraph- [link](#))

## Wednesday:

### Politics:

- Rwanda bill: relief for Rishi Sunak as legislation passes final commons hurdle (Sky News- [link](#))
- Home Office U-turns on asylum barge plan for migrants, insider says (The i- [link](#))
- EU imposes sanctions on Hamas political leader in Gaza (Reuters- [link](#))
- US carries out another round of strikes against Houthis in Yemen, US officials say (CNN- [link](#))
- DeSantis' embattled campaign looks ahead to South Carolina amid New Hampshire headwinds (CNN- [link](#))
- Senate duo urges Biden to address contraceptive access disparity between female service members, civilians (The Hill- [link](#))
- Louisiana Senate defies Mike Johnson, approves new congressional map (MSNBC- [link](#))
- Biden Campaign brings in \$1.6M in grassroots donations after Trump's Iowa caucuses win (The Hill- [link](#))
- US Supreme Court appears inclined to rein in federal agencies (AFP- [link](#))
- Ramaswamy says he'll give Desantis 'immense credit' if he drops out before NH primary (The Hill- [link](#))
- Federal appeals court rules Texas book bans likely violate Constitution (The Hill- [link](#))
- Trump escalates attacks on Haley as he seeks New Hampshire knockout (CNN- [link](#))
- Rishi Sunak attacks Keir Starmer for giving Hizb ut-Tahrir legal advice (The Times- [link](#))
- Welsh independence: Leaving UK is viable, says new report (BBC News- [link](#))

### Energy:

- Don't fire up 'suffocating' wood-burning stoves campaigners plead (The Times- [link](#))
- Climate science advisers tell EU to phase out fossil fuels (Reuters- [link](#))
- New North Sea oil licenses not taboo, says first minister (The Times- [link](#))

### Miscellaneous (random):

- Israel, Under Pressure to Scale Back Intensity of War, Pulls Thousands Of Troops From Gaza (The Wall Street Journal- [link](#))
- Population of China shrinks as birthrate hits historic low (The Times- [link](#))
- Newcastle Chairman Al-Rumayyan faces \$74m lawsuit for 'carrying out' malicious instructions of Bin Salman (The Athletic- [link](#))
- Glazers can force Jim Ratcliffe to sell Man United stake in 18 months (The Times- [link](#))
- Evacuation underway for tourists after multiple avalanches trap 1,000 people in China (ITV News- [link](#))
- Tory former minister accused of misogyny after calling SNP MP 'hysterical' (Evening Standard- [link](#))

## **Thursday:**

### Politics:

- Israeli minister says deal needed to free hostages, rescue raid unlikely (Reuters- [link](#))
- Hunter Biden to appear before House Republicans for private deposition (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Do the right thing and pass Rwanda bill, Rishi Sunak tells Lords (The Times- [link](#))
- Minister ends safeguarding of land axed HS2 route (The Independent- [link](#))
- Sadiq Khan reveals £500million pre-election spending splurge with more cash for police and Tube toilets (Evening Standard- [link](#))
- New bill would allow lawmakers to vote by proxy after giving birth (The Hill- [link](#))
- RFK JR. Sees an opening as more Black voters sour on Biden (Politico- [link](#))

### Environment/weather/space:

- UK 'largely off track' on Environmental targets, watchdog says (The Independent- [link](#))
- Extensive damage found in Hong Kong wetlands earmarked for conservation amid technology hub plans under Northern Metropolis scheme, environmental groups warn (South China Morning Post- [link](#))

### Miscellaneous (random):

- Women twice as likely as men to miss statutory sick pay, new figures reveal (The Independent- [link](#))

## **Friday:**

### Politics:

- Israel has destroyed two thirds of Hamas regiments, Netanyahu says (Reuters- [link](#))
- West must plan for war with Russia within 20 years, says admiral (The Times- [link](#))
- MPs consider forcing Cameron to answer questions in Commons (Sky News- [link](#))
- Jeremy Hunt could extend child benefit in tax handout at budget (The Times- [link](#))
- Boris Johnson says another Trump presidency could be 'big win for the world' (The Independent- [link](#))
- Jackie Baillie cancels retirement to help labour secure 2026 victory (The Times- [link](#))
- Rishi Sunak laughs as shopper challenges him over NHS waits in awkward exchange (The Independent- [link](#))
- Covid Inquiry: Nicola Sturgeon's deleted WhatsApp messages are scandal on par with Downing Street parties – Brian Wilson (The Scotsman- [link](#))
- Maine official asks state's top court to consider Trump ballot disqualification (Reuters- [link](#))
- Brexit U-turn as EU citizens who missed residency deadline allowed to stay in UK (The Independent- [link](#))

### Environment/weather/space:

- Japan Reaches the Moon, but the Fate of Its Precision Lander Is Uncertain (Scientific American- [link](#))
- Brexit divergence from EU destroying UK's vital environmental protections (The Guardian- [link](#))

### Miscellaneous (random):

- Prince Harry drops libel claim against Mail on Sunday publisher (BBC News- [link](#))
- Alec Baldwin Indicted on Manslaughter Charge in 'Rust' Shooting (Variety- [link](#))
- Man dragged off Ryanair flight in a headlock after huge brawl erupts onboard (Metro- [link](#))
- Jobs with acute shortages filled by asylum seekers (The Times- [link](#))
- Asylum seekers 'missing' after crossing Russia border to Finland (Reuters- [link](#))
- Largest known deep-sea coral reef mapped off US Atlantic coast (The Guardian- [link](#))

## **Saturday:**

### Politics:

- Nicola Sturgeon not being investigated by police 'at this time' over 'deleted' pandemic WhatsApp messages (Sky News- [link](#))
- Tory MPs are in secret backchannel talks to switch to Reform, party leader Richard Tice claims (The Sun- [link](#))
- Tory Johnny Mercer pays back £2,000 of taxpayer cash he spent on political leaflets (The Mirror- [link](#))
- Jeremy Hunt vows to make tax cuts and compares himself to Nigel Lawson (The i- [link](#))
- EU would 'breathe sigh of relief' if Labour win election, say top party figures who vow to unpick Brexit (The Sun- [link](#))
- Fury as 'political activist' bishops in House of Lords vote with Government just five times in the last year (The Sun- [link](#))
- Nigel Farage could be ambassador to US if Trump wins, says ex- foreign secretary (The Independent- [link](#))
- Military spending needs to increase if Britain is to step up to growing foreign threats, warns Tory MP Tobias Ellwood (LBC- [link](#))
- Netanyahu's rejection of Palestinian state unacceptable, says David Lammy (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Biden challenger Phillips, in New Hampshire calls president 'weak' (Reuters- [link](#))
- Haley questions Trump's mental fitness after he repeatedly confuses her with Pelosi (The Independent- [link](#))
- New Hampshire is Haley's Last, best shot (The Hill- [link](#))

### Environment/weather/space:

- Storm Isha to cause major disruption as part of wet and windier weekend (ITV News- [link](#))
- Four astronauts, including Turkey's first arrive at space station (Reuters- [link](#))

### Miscellaneous (random):

- Germany: Marches against the far right draw over 200,000 (DW- [link](#))
- Measles: NHS to write to millions of parents as a third of children go unprotected (The Times- [link](#))
- Norfolk Police did not respond to 999 call before father and daughters found dead (The i- [link](#))
- Norrie finds another level to beat Ruud and reach Australian Open fourth round (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Army numbers to drop below 70,000 'in two years' (The Times- [link](#))
- At least 16 cemeteries in Gaza have been desecrated by Israeli forces, satellite imagery and videos reveal (CNN- [link](#))
- Zelenskiy says he expects several new western defence packages soon (The Guardian- [link](#))
- HMRC has not charged a single company over tax evasion under landmark legislation (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Report claims inflation woes driven largely By Corporate Greed (Huffpost- [link](#))

## **Sunday:**

### Politics:

- Israeli PM Benjamin Netanyahu 'roadblock to peace', says Sadiq Khan (ITV News- [link](#))
- I'm ready to work with Keir Starmer as next prime minister, Humza Yousaf says (The Sunday Times- [link](#))
- Haley targets Trump's affinity for dictators during final sprint in New Hampshire (Reuters- [link](#))
- Trump, Haley duke it out in New Hampshire ahead of critical primary vote (Reuters- [link](#))
- DeSantis campaign denies he's about to quit race as he cancels Sunday shows amid dire New Hampshire Polls (The Independent- [link](#))
- HS2 Manchester leg not going to happen says Shapps after reports of secret talks (The i- [link](#))
- Jeremy Hunt talks up tax cuts in 2024 spring budget (The Sunday Times- [link](#))
- Scotland 'too dependent' on relationship with China (The Sunday Times- [link](#))
- Jenrick won't rule out leadership bid ahead of dressing down over Rwanda revolt (The i- [link](#))
- Ministers' 99% mortgage idea could overheat UK housing market, say experts (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Ron DeSantis pulls out of Republican race and endorses Trump (The Sunday Times- [link](#))

### Energy:

- UK needs ambitious green plan to keep up with allies, says Labour frontbencher (The Guardian- [link](#))

### Death:

- More than 25,000 now killed in Gaza, Hamas-run health ministry says (BBC News- [link](#))

### Environment/weather/space:

- Tornado may hit parts of UK as Storm Isha sweeps in with up to 90 mph winds (ITV News- [link](#))

### Miscellaneous (random):

- Sarah Ferguson diagnosed with aggressive skin cancer six months after breast op in latest health battle to rock royals (The Sun- [link](#))
- At Putin campaign HQ, soldier's wife says bring him home (Reuters- [link](#))
- Home Office spends £36m on private boats to pick up channel migrants (The Sunday Times- [link](#))
- Royal Navy warships crashed into each other 'due to faulty rewiring' (The Guardian- [link](#))

