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Fire crews are tackling a blaze on board a passenger train at Cupar railway station – disrupting the main railway line between Aberdeen and Edinburgh.

An article on the Evening Express says emergency services were called to the scene at around 5.45am this morning.

It is understood to have involved a Caledonian Sleeper service, but it is not known if any passengers were on board at the time.

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South Western Railway (SWR) has become the first train operator in the UK to partner with Missing People, becoming a part of the charity's "Safeguarding Briefing Network" (SBN).

The initiative will see SWR, along with a network of other organisations, receive notifications from Missing People when there is a likelihood that staff may come into contact with a missing person.

These alerts will then be shared confidentially amongst selected teams, so staff can be on the lookout for loved ones.

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Network Rail has completed upgrades at Hayes & Harlington station ahead of the Elizabeth line opening in the first half of 2022.

It is the sixth TfL Rail station to be upgraded to provide step-free access in the past seven months as part of the Crossrail project.

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A teenage rail fan has been given the honour of naming a Class 66 locomotive that will transport HS2 construction materials by rail to help reduce carbon emissions.

Jermaine Allen from Leeds unveiled the nameplate for GB Railfreight engine 66796, which he has named 'The Green Progressor', at the official opening of HS2's new 30-acre logistics hub near Willesden Junction in London.

The locomotive features a brand-new livery, promoting the environmental benefits of delivering construction materials by rail instead of road, which inspired the name that Jermaine has chosen.

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