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Transport for London (TfL) says it has passed a major milestone in the overhaul of Bank station during the Easter weekend, with test passenger trains running through the new tunnel for the first time.

Over 2km of new southbound running tunnel has been installed as part of the Bank Station Capacity Upgrade, which will increase capacity in the station by 40 per cent.

Multiple runs using two passenger trains were made through the new Northern line tunnels and new southbound platform, which gave engineers the opportunity to check both the new railway systems and station systems to ensure that the Northern line will be ready to reopen to customers in mid-May.

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Rail passengers are being advised not to travel this weekend as TransPennine Express (TPE) prepare for an eleventh straight weekend of union strike action.

An article in the Yorkshire Evening Post says strike action by the Rail, Maritime and Transport (RMT) union is set to cause further disruption to services this Sunday.

TransPennine will only be operating a small number of trains on its North and South routes this weekend and is strongly recommending customers avoid travel or travel either side of the strike date instead.

The article says RMT conductors are striking having been giving a flat no to requests to close the pay gap between themselves and other TPE workers.

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Newly nationalised ScotRail and the UK government may be breaking discrimination laws by issuing a half price ticket offer online only.

An article in The Herald says campaigners are angry that the move excludes those who are not online as people cannot take advantage of the offer in person at stations.

Some have said it could be in breach of a legal duty for public bodies not to discriminate on age or disability.

Television personality and wellness enthusiast Anna Richardson is welcoming LNER customers onboard a special Azuma train service dedicated to masterclasses in wellness and wellbeing

The event takes place on 7 May.

Anna will host a bespoke masterclass on relaxation and hypnotherapy and how to use travel time to get a dose of wellness in around a busy lifestyle.

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