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? Top Stories

- **West Bank sanctions row: Israel reacts "with fury" to UK trade ban on settlements** — Foreign Secretary Ed Miliband is live on the BBC this morning after Israel announced the closure of the British consulate in Jerusalem. The UK has accused Israeli "settler terrorists" of "ethnic cleansing" in the occupied West Bank and said the Israeli government is "turning a blind eye". Chief Rabbi Sir Ephraim Mirvis called it "truly a dark day for British Jews"; the Daily Mail claims Miliband has been "accused of putting Jews in UK in danger"; the Express front page warns "You have put an increased target on us". The PM writes in the Guardian that Britain had been "fearful of being accused of being anti-Israel" and will "not stand by as horrific suffering continues". One of 12 nations imposing sanctions; the i says Israel is threatening intelligence-sharing, and the row could become Burnham's "first major dispute with Trump" — the Independent reports Trump "did not push back" on the plan. Paul Adams: British–Israeli relations at their lowest ebb in decades. https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/live/cmp8djn8983gt https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/c5ydlex9yn3o https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/c3v439n5xlpo https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/andy-burnham-israel-uk-sanctions-ed-miliband-trump-latest-news-b3046338.html
- **Air traffic control "collapse" grounds flights across Britain — disruption continues** — Tuesday's Nats systems fault cancelled 1,000+ flights and stranded "tens of thousands" of passengers; Wednesday sees more delays as carriers recover. Telegraph brands Nats chief Martin Rolfe an "overpaid failure" ("I always accept responsibility"); the Sun's front page: "That's another flyin' mess" — fury at the latest in "a string of similar outages". https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/ce8x3dp1zpxo https://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2026/09/08/flights-grounded-across-britain/
- **US–Iran naval escalation surges again** — CENTCOM says it destroyed five Iranian oil tankers; the IRGC claims it targeted two American ships and eight oil tankers, with reprisal

strikes on a US base in Jordan. Guardian: tit-for-tat violence in the Gulf of Oman and the Strait of Hormuz region. https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2026/sep/08/iran-underwater-drone-strait-of-hormuz

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?? UK Politics

- **Bank of England governor warns of another inflation "upside" risk** — Andrew Bailey told MPs the US–Iran conflict and extreme weather could reignite inflation and strain public finances ahead of next month's Budget; the Bank "could revisit its forecasts". Leads the FT.
- **Portsmouth protest aftermath: police hunt far-right activists** — Forces vow action over violence and criminal damage at Monday's anti-migrant protest; Farage warns of "serious civil disturbance". Reform chair voiced support for peaceful protests while the government condemned the disorder as "thuggish and intimidating".
- **Police say they were warned a day before the Dover protest** — Kent force acknowledges prior notice of the balaclava-clad road blockade (Metro/Independent coverage since Saturday).
- **Independent: "Billions lost to Brexit could make NHS waiting lists disappear"** — fresh analysis of the economic cost of leaving the EU. https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/brexit-eu-nhs-bus-farage-nick-bloom-b3044359.html
- **Scotland: watchdog calls for police to stop using Tasers on children in custody** (06:49 update). https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/cgk5r1dvp04o
- **NI: Law Society CEO found "guilty of gross misconduct"** over a character reference (William Lloyd-Lavery). https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/c158w5490k5o
- **NI: police investigation of Creswell indecent-exposure allegation "failed victim"** — critical review published overnight. https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/cge4rjd2vx0o

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? Royal

- **Prince George's first day at Eton** — the 13-year-old was photographed arriving with William and Catherine; several Wednesday papers carry the picture alongside their leads. https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/videos/clyjdgvzg0yo
- **Harry and King Charles "have not spoken"** — Mirror "royal rumble exclusive": the pair have had no contact since Harry returned to the UK with his family two weeks ago; the Royal Family is said to be "perplexed".
- **Harry and Meghan "surprised" by King's letter** making clear they remain non-working royals — follows the King ruling out a royal role for Harry. https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/cp30kv53qvdo
- **Trump shares misleading video of King and fainting worker** — BBC Verify fact-check. https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/cx2z9n8ew49o

? World & International

- **Hurricane Lowell devastates parts of Hawaii** — at least one dead, governor says; storm damage widespread across the islands.
- **Amazon cargo plane crash (Miami): "devastating" scene** — data and voice recorders recovered from the Boeing 767-300 that overshot the runway; five dead, five seriously injured. https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/ce8e32n8epeo
- **Belgian–Chinese researcher arrested** over suspected theft of chip-making secrets.
- **Australia: users to be able to switch off social media algorithms** — new rules take effect; early reactions positive ("good to have choice").
- **The Economist: "Are teenagers growing dimmer?"** — international education piece doing the rounds.
- **Taiwan weather: northeast monsoon arriving**, possible new typhoon relay and "heaviest rain" warnings.
- **Level 4 (Do Not Travel) hotspots unchanged**: Afghanistan, Haiti, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Libya, North Korea, Russia, Sudan, Syria, Ukraine, Belarus.

??????? Wales

- **Wales' papers: "Mum died after cancer results delay" and city "riddled" with drugs** — South Wales Echo and South Wales Evening Post leads (BBC Wales review, 06:26). https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/c1kxzjjmep1o
- **Cowboy builder "tore my home apart and disappeared with £14k"** — Sheri Ingram's cautionary tale (BBC Wales, 2h ago). https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/clykjmjm6m0o
- **Sir Tom Jones sacked from The Voice** — the Welsh singer "furious he's been kicked out of his chair"; Daily Star's "Why, why, why, did you sack me?" lead. https://www.dailystar.co.uk/tv/sir-tom-jones-dropped-voice-37637247
- **Growth deal to create 4,000 jobs in north Wales by 2036** — Wrexham Gateway among the flagship sites, councillors told (Mon evening). https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/c0qxlw82n07o
- **"I should be dead or in prison — now I'm reunited with the teacher who changed my life"** — feel-good BBC Wales video feature. https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/ckg8575ex57o

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? Business, Tech & Consumer

- **Virgin to "explore" stopping trains to France in east London** — Branson's rail firm eyes Stratford services (Evening Standard). https://www.standard.co.uk/news/london/virgin-trains-france-stop-east-london-stratford-eurostar-richard-branson-b1296068.html
- **Flights still recovering after ATC glitch** — hundreds of cancellations, further delays expected into Wednesday (see Top Stories).

? Culture & Entertainment

- **Alan Carr holds back tears at National Television Awards** — the night's most-shared BBC story this morning. https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/clyl6866j1jo
- **Nigella Lawson confirmed as new Bake Off judge** — latest contestants announced alongside Paul Hollywood, Alison Hammond and Noel Fielding. https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/c4gm8npmp4ro
- **Glastonbury confirms ticket sale dates — and highest ever price** — 2027 tickets go on sale later this year at a record cost. https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/c0klzvdn8epo
- **"Very hot drinks may damage the food pipe and increase cancer risk"** — among the most-read health stories today. https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/ce3r77d9n90o

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Live, Guardian, Independent. SearXNG gave mostly front-page aggregators for generic UK queries — direct site fetches carried the day. Nitter/Reddit/social feeds skipped (dead per job config); no fresh polling published this morning.

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