



# Weekly Highlights

Week 09/10 - Saturday 4th - Friday 10th March 2023



**The Bay**  
**Wednesday, 9pm**



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## **The Social Media Murders**

**Episodes three and four drop on ITVX on Thursday 9th March.**

**ITVX**

**The true-crime programme continues with two more compelling yet cautionary insights into 21st-century crime.**

As more episodes of this fascinating series come to ITVX, we delve into two more absorbing cases.

First, *The Murder of Mikey Rainsford* looks at how a young skater with a big social media following was murdered in his own home - and police discover Snapchat holds the key to finding his killers.

Plus, *The Murder of Bianca Devins*, looks at a case of a young woman in upstate New York who was murdered, and things took an even more sinister turn when the killer posted footage of his heinous crimes all over social media.



**Celebrity Catchphrase**  
**Saturday, 6pm**  
**4th March**  
**ITV1**

**Stephen Mulhern presents another star-studded edition of the game show that invites contestants to ‘say what they see’ for a chance to win big for their charity.**

Lady Leshurr, Gabby Logan and Adam Thomas all think that they have what it takes to make it through to the Super Catchphrase and win that money for their chosen charities, but only one of them can succeed. Which celebrity will emerge triumphant?



**Ant & Dec’s Saturday Night Takeaway**  
**Saturday, 7pm**  
**4th March**  
**ITV1**

**The Happiest 90 Minutes of the Week are back, and so too are Ant and Dec with the ever-popular show that invites us to watch the ads and possibly win them too!**

Big Zuu is in the studio as Star Guest Announcer, and there’s the world premiere of a brilliant, brand-new whodunnit *Murder At Bigwig Manor*, which stars a whole host of ITV faces including Joel Dommett, Davina McCall, Keith Lemon and Judi Love.



**Starstruck**  
**Saturday, 8.30pm**  
**4th March**  
**ITV1**

**Olly Murs welcomes the next four teams of superfans to go head-to-head in the show where teams of superfans turn into their idol for a very special performance.**

Queen frontman Adam Lambert, country music legend Shania Twain, soul sensation Beverley Knight and comedian Jason Manford will once again pick their favourite team of the night, but it's the studio audience who will send one of them to the series final.



**The Jonathan Ross Show**  
**Saturday, 9.40pm**  
**4th March**  
**ITV1**

**Join Jonathan Ross and some of the hottest names in showbiz for wry, witty and revealing conversations, plus incredible musical performances from top artists.**

Jonathan is joined by power couple Peter Crouch and Abbey Clancy, the hilariously lovable Alan Carr, comedian and I'm A Celebrity... Get Me Out of Here! star Babatunde Aleshe and award-winning actor Andy Serkis. Plus, Paolo Nutini performs in the studio.



**Gallagher Premiership Rugby:  
Sale Sharks v Saracens  
Sunday, 2.30pm  
5th March  
ITV1**

**Hugh Wozencroft is joined by Topsy Ojo and David Flatman for coverage from the AJ Bell Stadium as Sale Sharks play host to Premiership leaders Saracens.**

Saracens secured a 33-22 bonus-point victory against Sale at the StoneX Stadium earlier in the season, and the Sharks will be hoping to avenge that defeat at home, buoyed by the knowledge they've lost just once all season at the AJ Bell Stadium.



**Dancing on Ice  
Sunday, 6.30pm  
5th March  
ITV1**

**Phillip Schofield and Holly Willoughby present the ice dancing competition as celebrities team up with professional skaters in the hope of becoming champion.**

The Greatest Show on Ice reaches the Semi-Final stage - for the first time this series, our celebrities will have to perform twice in the hope of making it through to the Grand Final. Jayne Torvill, Christopher Dean Ashley Banjo and Oti Mabuse judge.



**Endeavour**  
**Sunday, 8pm**  
**5th March**  
**ITV1**

**The final series of the drama set in Oxford in the 1960s, following the adventures of a young Endeavour Morse in a prequel to the Inspector Morse mysteries.**

A crime wave has taken hold of Oxford - a homeless man is grievously assaulted, a young PC is found dead, and a notable artist reported missing. The team unearth discoveries that point to a sinister conspiracy involving the upper echelons of Oxford.



**Unforgotten**  
**Monday, 9pm**  
**6th March**  
**ITV1**

**The crime drama, centred around historical crimes and buried secrets, that follows two London-based detectives as they crack unsolved cases. continues.**

The team identify the body found in the chimney flue as forensics reveal that the cause of death was a gunshot, and Jess and Sunny visit the victim's mother to break the devastating news. Can they get a lead that will help with the investigation?



**DNA Journey**  
**Tuesday, 9pm**  
**7th March**  
**ITV1**

**The series that sees some of the nation's best-loved famous faces trace their genetic history returns with two household names learning about their past.**

Actor Hugh Bonneville and comedian John Bishop go on a journey that sees John investigating the Irish roots, and Hugh seeking the truth about his family name - and his middle name, Bonniwell - which he adapted for his stage name.



**The Bay**  
**Wednesday, 9pm**  
**8th March**  
**ITV1**

**The fourth series of the character-driven crime drama rooted in the families and community of the seaside town of Morecambe, starring Marsha Thomason, begins.**

DS Jenn Townsend is working late when an emergency is called in - she races to the scene to find horror unfolding for a broken family called the Metcalfs. Jenn must gain their trust to help Manning and the MIU uncover the truth of what has happened.



**Cold Case Detectives**  
**Thursday, 9pm**  
**9th March**  
**ITV1**

**This documentary series follows cold case detectives who are using the latest developments in DNA science to get justice for victims of historic crimes.**

Cold case detectives are determined to finally get justice for six-year-old Carol Ann Stephens, whose murder in 1959 has gone unsolved since then. Can the detectives find the child killer in what has been a 60-year-old murder case up to this point?



**Hotel Portofino**  
**Friday, 9pm**  
**10th March**  
**ITV1**

**The historical drama series, set on the Italian Riviera in the Roaring Twenties, that follows an expat hotel proprietor and her family's exploits, reaches its finale.**

The mystery of the missing heirloom is resolved and the police investigation closed as Cecil makes a surprising discovery about Danioni - elsewhere, Lucian finally acknowledges his true feelings as a secret from Constance's past comes to light.



**Love Island**  
**Saturday-Friday, 9pm**  
**4th-10th March**  
**ITV2**

**Maya Jama and Iain Stirling are on hand to guide us through another week of romantic rivalry and cautious coupling in the nation's hottest destination for love.**

The competition is now fast approaching the end, but whose love is still burning bright under the South African sun... and whose is actually just for show? As always, there's a chance for viewers to have their say on Love Island: Aftersun on Sunday at 10pm.



**Buffering**  
**Monday, 10.05pm**  
**6th March**  
**ITV2**

**Iain has made up his mind about a key decision in the final episode of the second series of the comedy about a group of twenty-somethings exploring 'adulthood'.**

Iain has decided to leave FlummoX, but is this really what he wants, or will he finally have the courage to tell Olivia how he feels? Elsewhere, a new young presenter steals Iain's thunder, Rosie hosts a pub quiz with a difference, and Ashley becomes a viral star.

# itvBe Weekly highlights



**Great Chocolate Showdown**  
**Sunday, 6pm & 6.55pm**  
**5th March**  
**ITVBe**

**This week's double-bill kicks off the third series of the ooey-gooey, decadent chocolate dessert competition featuring home bakers battling for a big cash prize.**

The 10 new home bakers begin by putting their spin on a chocolate carousel filled with decadent mini desserts - if they can get through the Elimination Challenge, they'll be playing with pastry as they master choux and serve a delectable ice cream sandwich.



**The Sound Collector**  
**Saturday-Friday, 10.20am**  
**4th-10th March**  
**littleBe**

**Animated series about the sights and the sounds of the world you love sensed by the eyes and ears of the Sound Collector, who spends his days finding new noises.**

This week's episodes feature the Sound Collector making his own duck call to talk to ducks, learning how music and sound can change the world around us, investigating a strange knocking noise, and being lured into the village by the peal of big church bells!



**Long Lost Family**  
**Sunday, 8pm**  
**5th March**  
**ITV3**

**Another chance to catch the tenth series of the programme, presented by Davina McCall and Nicky Campbell, that aims to reunite families after years of separation.**

The series begins with two heartbreaking stories of separation: a mother and father who have lived with a lifetime of loss after trying to get their son back in court, and a son's search for his birth mother, who disappeared from his life when he was a baby.



**Vera**  
**Thursday, 8pm**  
**9th March**  
**ITV3**

**Brenda Blethyn stars as no-nonsense DCI Vera Stanhope in the much-loved crime drama series based on characters created by noted British writer Ann Cleeves.**

In this episode of the programme, Vera is called upon to investigate when one of three sisters is found dead in the River Tyne - the incident has caused a beauty empire to be shaken to its core, and Vera must now work out who stood to gain from the death.



**Darts: UK Open**  
**Saturday, 12.45pm**  
**Sunday, 12.45pm & 7pm**  
**4th & 5th March**  
**ITV4**

Jacqui Oatley introduces coverage of the closing stages of the 2023 UK Open darts tournament, which is taking place this year in picturesque Minehead in Somerset.

All focus, however, will surely be on the darts, with Saturday hosting all the action in the fourth round of the tournament before the finals are held on Sunday - Chris Mason, Alan Warriner-Little, and Mark Webster are on hand to provide match analysis.



**Cycling: Paris - Nice Highlights**  
**Sunday, 6pm**  
**Monday-Friday, 7pm**  
**5th-10th March**  
**ITV4**

All the action from the prestigious Paris - Nice cycling race in France, which marks the start of the European season and has been nicknamed The Race to the Sun.

2023's race opens with a circuit around the commune of La Verriere - which features a form-defining five per cent climb within two kilometres of the finish - before taking in the sights of Bazainville, Fontainebleau, Dampierre-en-Burly, and much more besides.



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**Scooby-Doo and Guess Who?**  
**Monday-Friday, 4pm**  
**6th-10th March**  
**CITV**

Join the Mystery Inc. gang - Fred, Daphne, Velma, Shaggy and Scooby-Doo - as they face their toughest mysteries yet and recruit famous faces to help them out.

This week's batch of new adventures for Scoob and the gang include a pair of shark men menacing legendary music star Cher on her boat, a giant gorilla rampaging in a jungle near actress Jessica Biel, and a haunted youth centre run by the Reverend Run.



**Teen Titans Go!**  
**Monday-Friday, 6pm**  
**6th-10th March**  
**CITV**

More animated antics from the series based on the popular comic-book superhero team who somehow find time to stop crime and to have some fun along the way!

The Titans finish their mission to retrieve the stems that might save The Night Begins to Shine and defeat Ultralak this week - they then go on the hunt for the villainous longshoreman Carl Sanpedro, but where exactly on the globe is the criminal anyway?