



EASYJET LAUNCHES COMPETITION FOR CHILDREN TO DESIGN A ZERO-EMISSION PASSENGER PLANE

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easyJet, which became the world's first major airline to offset the carbon emissions from the fuel used for all its flights in 2019, is now launching a competition to challenge the brightest young minds to design their vision for future flying - a zero-emission passenger plane.

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The competition has launched just in time for UK half-term. Families flying with easyJet over the holidays are encouraged to pack their pencil cases, for kids to take inspiration from their flight for their design and help parents keep them occupied on board.

All designs will be judged by an esteemed panel representing world class experts in flying, sustainability, design and zero-emission technology.

EasyJet's First Officer Debbie Thomas, who is also an engineer and zero-emission aircraft modeller will be joined on the panel by easyJet's Director of Sustainability Jane Ashton; Glenn Llewellyn from aircraft manufacturer Airbus who is currently leading their zero-emission aircraft programme; Jeff Engler, CEO of Wright Electric which is developing a zero-emission short-haul plane; and world-famous automotive transportation designer Frank Stephenson, best known for his iconic car designs for MINI and Fiat 500, as well as recent innovative work designing electric flying vehicles.



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