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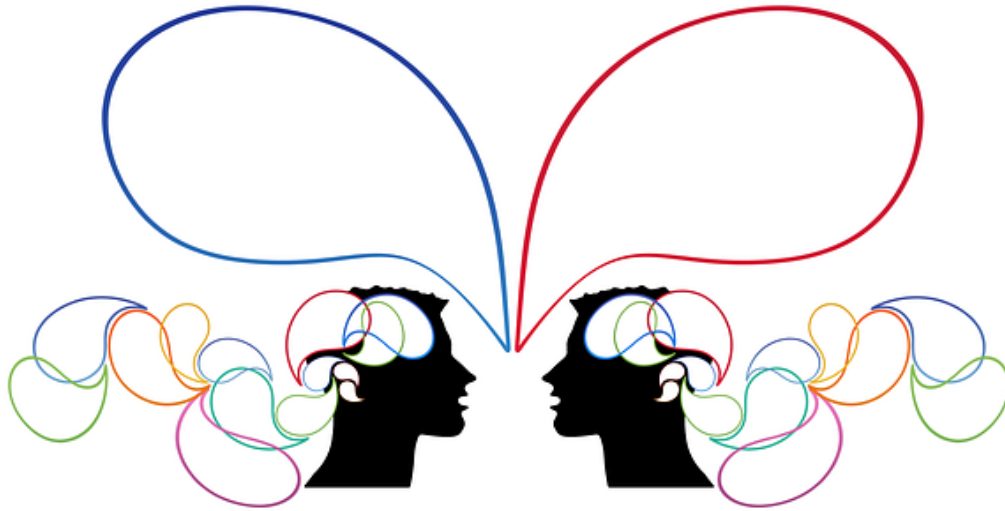
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News In Brief



Urgent Reminder

If you have not done so already, please submit your daughter's [work experience form](#) by Monday 4th, at the absolute latest.



The Lumière Film Society

Our *Thought for the Week* is 'wonder', so of course our film recommendation is [Wonder \(12\)](#). The film tells the inspiring and heartwarming story of August Pullman. Born with facial differences that, up until now, have prevented him from going to a mainstream school, Auggie becomes the most unlikely of heroes when he enters the local fifth grade.

Current Affairs



Abortion Ban

By Emily Harvey

Last Friday, the *Row vs Wade* case was overturned. This means that the right to an abortion in the United States is no longer a constitutional matter, but is up to the independent state to decide. Trigger Laws were already in place in conservative states such as Texas and Utah, and a total of 26 states are predicted to move towards banning abortion completely. Unfortunately, such a regressive move resulted from the decision of the Supreme Court, four men and one woman, who voted to overturn. One man was in fact appointed by Trump with the exact aim to overturn *Roe V Wade*, so is this really a democratic majority decision, or is it yet another example of power abuse by the privileged?

The ban will disproportionately affect ethnic minorities and low-income groups who are unable to travel to get an abortion. It seems the right of bodily autonomy is completely disregarded for women, yet for men we have never seen a law affecting them to the extent this has affected women. The argument shouldn't be based on belief of when life begins, that is subjective, but we should look at it as an argument of to what extent should we allow women to have control over their own body. Seemingly in the US, this is extremely limited. Banning abortion will have no impact other than to prevent *safe* abortion: women will still seek these procedures, and many will die as a result of this law. Education and access to free contraception would have a larger affect on preventing abortion, if the men who voted against it really cared about life then surely, they would seek actual effective measures? This is a sad time for woman in the US, and we can only hope to see a reversal of this in the future.



Oppression in the Western World

By Afrah Qamar

When a lot of people think of oppression, especially of women, the first thought for many may be religion. Needless to say, the Taliban can be seen to be a perfect example of garnering an oppressive society under the false pretence of religion.

However, when we think about oppression, we very rarely link the act to the western world. Considering everything that has happened in the world over the past week, from the overturning of Roe v Wade, with many states banning abortions, to the possibility of the Human Rights Acts being abolished in the UK, I think it's time to talk about the oppression that exists in the western world. Oppression is taking place right under our noses, and there is no better time than now to look deeper.

America, an arguably 'progressive' country, has taken many steps back in the protection of women, and the Supreme Court does not plan to stop there. Other minority groups, such as people of colour and the LGBTQ+, are at risk of their rights to be taken away at any second. No one thought that a monumentally

important landmark decision like Roe v Wade would ever be overturned, but here we are. As people in the western world, we justifiably expect our rights to be respected but unfortunately this is not a reality we all live in.

The US, in terms of abortion, can now be considered less progressive than the Taliban, who still allow women to get an abortion in the case of their life being in danger. The fact that we can even make this comparison in 2022 is shocking; almost as shocking as how our rights have been taken away from us in this modern age.

This is just one form of oppression we, the citizens of western society, have had to endure. We shouldn't forget the fact that many women are unable to choose something as simple as their own clothing in many Western countries, with places like France banning the burqa and hijab. I think we can all agree on one thing, oppression is WRONG! It has no place in our society, therefore we should ensure we fight against it in all circumstances; whether that be through peaceful protests or signing petitions, we can all do our part.

Green Thought for the Week

THE TREES ARE
OUR LUNGS
THE RIVERS
OUR CIRCULATION
THE AIR OUR BREATH
AND THE EARTH OUR BODY
- DEEPAK CHOPRA -

WILD WOMAN SISTERHOOD



Sixth Form Support

HEY YOU!

JUST REMEMBER:

* you are **CAPABLE**

* you are **ENOUGH**

* you are **STRONG**

* you **CAN DO THIS**

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Careers and Tertiary Education Spotlight



Careers Information

Please note that we will be saving any careers information that we include in the bulletin in a file called 'Careers Information' on the public drive for students to access. Only new opportunities will be included in the weekly bulletin but you can still find the information from the past bulletins in the folder.



Opportunities

Vet work experience

You can view the following virtual work experience videos on canine therapy by Lauren Hunt on demand [here](#).

Apprenticeship in Childcare

Mulberry Day Nursery in Maidenhead are recruiting Level 3 Early Years Educator apprentices for an autumn start. You can find details and apply [here](#).

Changemakers

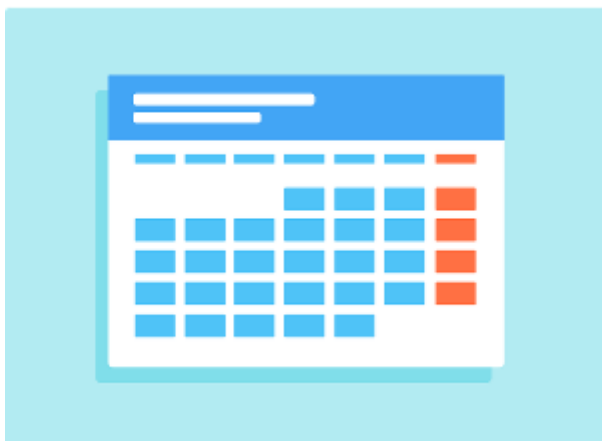
NCVS is offering Changemakers, a way for young people to do good in their community by being part of a local group, designing and delivering social action projects on subjects that matter to you. You can find out more [here](#).

Allied Health work experience

You can still sign up for the [Live Virtual NHS Healthcare Careers Work Experience Programme](#) on 3rd July. Please note that there is a small cost attached to this.

Work experience with Spectris and Malvern Panalytical

On 26th July, from 1pm to 4pm, Young Professionals are hosting a virtual 'Do you want to be an Engineer' event with FTSE-250 company Spectris. The day will consist of a variety of interactive presentations, going into depth on the different careers in engineering with some fun quizzes and activities. The following day, 27th July (10am to 3pm) there is the opportunity for an in-person work experience to explore a career in science with Malvern Panalytical; a subsidiary company of Spectris, at their headquarters in Malvern. You can sign up for the first or both days [here](#).



Events

Get into Veterinary Conference

Vet Mentor is running a free virtual Get into Veterinary Conference on 24th July, 9:30am - 5pm. Students can register using this [link](#).

Contact Us

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