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Trading freedom for safety. Is this really the only choice for women in 2021.

« OPINION

The impact of Self isolation.

Eli-Azriel Ayoola

Self-isolation. A topic that has come to light in 2020/21. While it may seem fun at first, many will start to see adverse effects in the long term - especially students. Humans thrive on relationships and although school is mostly seen as a place to master subjects, it is also a place for mastering life, relationships and socialising.



School provides us an opportunity to learn and laugh; study, revise, run and allows us to build bonds outside the school building. This is a huge reason why being away from it can be so detrimental to mental health. Then, there is the onset of remote learning. While remote learning might be useful to keep up with the curriculum, it does not compensate for the need of social interaction from students.

Of course, without good health, social interactions are meaningless, but happiness is just as much about health as anything else. While selfisolation can save lives, it does not take a genius to see how damaging self-isolation can be.

While self-isolation is supposed to isolate humans to stop a virus from spreading, it also can isolate people from society and the general world. More must be done to make sure the impact of isolation is put into the spotlight, and the right support is put in place to combat the adverse effects.

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ESSENTIAL!

Screens. Screens. When you're finished with them you just switch them off... or not. You spend hours staring and scrolling and you just can't stop.

Back Page Code Breaker.

Luvi Ariano is an Enigma. Test out your codebreaking abilities with him.

Inside Amazon

Olivia De Almeida

We all know who Jeff Bezos is, right? Well, if I told you he is the CEO of Amazon and is the richest man in the world, you might have heard of him.

Now, you have probably used Amazon. In fact, you probably use it often! During lockdown more people have shopped from Amazon than from any other store. In fact, globally, \$11,000 a second is being spent at Amazon and it's CEO has increased his personal fortune by over \$24billion. That alone is enough money to school every child in the U.S. for free. I haven't spent a penny at Amazon. I don't even have an Amazon account. I refuse to use it and I am going to tell you why.

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« TECHNOLOGY

Amelie Lubac and Pearl Rock

Triumph against COVID-19 looksThose afflicted by the Nipahlike it is in sight. However, coulddisease, which has a mortalitythis trigger a potentially lethal70% and has no vaccine, carvirus in the upcoming future?be sent into a coma. Due to it

Scientists are already warning the public of an upcoming global health crisis that may be on the horizon, and it's even deadlier than the pandemic that we are facing now.

The Nipah virus was originally discovered in 1999 in Malaysia, it is stated that it originates from fruit bats and could be transmitted from animals to humans. Symptoms include: severe brain swelling, vomiting, seizures and acute respiratory infection, according to the World Health Organization (WHO). disease, which has a mortality rate of 70% and has no vaccine, can also be sent into a coma. Due to its potential to spark an epidemic, the WHO has made it one of the 16 pathogens as a top priority for research and development. Nipah has killed 260 people in Malaysia, Bangladesh and India since 1998, and has previously spread to

Singapore.

Experts urge that if we don't take this seriously, we may be in for a rude awakening in the near future. When you sit down after a long day of work or school and go on your phone, it can definitely allow you to escape and make you feel calm and relaxed, but, how long do we actually spend on social media and does this happen all of the time?

Not all things you see on social media are positive, in fact most of the things are negative. For example, fake news. Almost all people have seen a piece of news online which has frightened them. This can have a spiral effect and lead to negative thoughts and behaviour.

Another example of negativity online is the unrealistic standards related to body image. People are constantly exposed to images of models and influencers who use an array of apps to edit and distort the way they look. This results in unrealistic comparisons made by a range of different people and can cause people to have low self-esteem or confidence. However, by using a device you have the ability to answer any question instantly. It's like having a whole miniature library in your grasp. You also have access to websites for study or entertainment. These are definitely beneficial for school and when you want to look more into your interests, but there is still the issue of fake news. Some popular websites, such as Wikipedia, allow people to upload their own ideas and edit popular articles on their platform. Sometimes this can be helpful as other people may have shared their experiences and some information they have found, but most of the time this can lead to bias or misleading information.

It is clear that the internet is undoubtedly fantastic, but it does have its risks. I hope you now consider the time you spend online and the information you absorb daily.



« **PROFILES**

Meet the Team.

The Journalists



Luvi Ariano

Hello, I am Luvi. I am 12 years old and I am a member of the Norwood Voice. I enjoy playing the guitar and listening to music. I also enjoy drawing and painting with acrylics when I am free.



Eli-Azriel Ayoola

Hello, My name is Eli-Azriel Ayoola. I'm 12 years old. I am an aspiring journalist and would like to pursue a career in the sector when I'm older, so the Norwood Voice is something I'm very passionate about!



Olivia De Almeida

I am Olivia from 7JAL. I am interested in anime and manga. I once wrote an ode to pastel de nata.



Amelie Lubac

Hi, my name is Amelie Lubac and I am 12 years old. I am in 7JAL. I have a dog called Toto and he is 6 years old.



Pearl Rock

My name is Pearl and I am 12 years old. Amelie and I wrote the article together. I have a dog called Lyra who is 9 months old.



Mellina Medjebour

Alasdair Yelland

animation.

Hi, my name is Mellina, I have just finished Year 11. I think it is so important to have the Norwood Voice. I enjoy writing about topics that are important to me,

My name is Alasdair and I am 12 years old. Some of

my interests include drawing and stop motion

« CODE BREAKING

An Enigma

Luvi Ariano

I started developing an interest in enigma after watching The Imitation Game. It's a movie set in 1942 (during the Second World War), and It's about Alan Turing, the man who broke the code of enigma.

Enigma is a machine invented by the Germans and it was used to change coded messages to win the war. The messages would contain information about war strategies: for example, they would share the coordinates of the different locations of where they would drop bombs or attack the enemy. By Turing breaking the code of Enigma, he saved the lives of 2 million people. Turing is also an inspirational LGBTQ+ figure; he sadly died due to cyanide poisoning. Turing died as a criminal, having been convicted under Victorian laws as a homosexual and forced to endure chemical castration. Britain didn't take its first steps toward decriminalizing homosexuality until 1967. Turing was found dead on his bed along with a bitten apple on his bedside table. Some thought that the apple had been poisoned by people who didn't like him even after he saved so many lives during the war. It is said that the apple logo was inspired by the circumstances surrounding the death of Alan Turing. I'd now like you to attempt to

complete the enigma below:

« OPINION

Alastair Yelland

You may be familiar with such films as Pirates of the Caribbean, Pirate Fury, Hook or Peter Pan, but the identity of pirates is often skewed and unrealistic.

Ahov There!

Identity of Pirates

How Fiction Skewed the

What comes to mind when you think of a pirate? Treasure, looting other ships and happily drinking rum for hours. One thing which isn't associated with pirates is cleaning. The cleaning of their ships is what pirates spent most of their time doing, and it wasn't easy. Just imagine the process of scrubbing the deck for hours on a huge ship that constantly wobbles and tilts; It's not only a tiring task, but it can also cause sea sickness, which is never pleasant.

Another common stereotype is that pirates love rum. The only reason they drank it was because they had no fresh water, so there was a real chance they despised it. They mostly ate meat and fish so not a very balanced diet. This gave them a disease called scurvy which is pretty horrible; their gums would rot, their limbs would turn as black as soot and finally their teeth would fall out. To make it worse the only thing they had to wash out the black curdled blood caused by scurvy was urine or salt water. I can't remember any films or television series focused on the devastating impact of this disease, can you?

however, there is no proof that swashbucklers ever made their enemies and victims walk the plank. Instead there were two main ways of torture. The first was just leaving them on a desert island with only a gun and some food and they would starve to death. The second was a lot more brutal. As you can imagine the bottom of their ships had been at sea for a long time leaving barnacles and other crustaceans. So they would tie the victim up, put a weight on his foot and two people on either side of the boat pulled him along the bottom of the ship. This would result in the pirate drowning, whilst his skin and flesh would be scraped off by the barnacles. Gruesome I know.

Finally, as the crew where primarily men, gay marriages were common. Matelotage was a gay marriage of sorts practiced by male pirates from the seventeenth century. Some of the most successful pirates had relationships with other men as a means of companionship and protection. Having a mate was both a personal and professional arrangement for a pirate - and the word 'mate' itself is probably a holdover from the institution of matelotage. Matelotage, meaning "seamanship," derives its name from the French word for sailor or seaman, matelot. Aspects of matelotage were practiced by sailors and pirates alike but the latter did it openly. Pirates that entered into the bonds of matelotage shared everything affection, possessions, and even other partners.

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I love to share my views and opinions. I would like what I write to have a positive impact on our community.



Noor Sabra

My name is Noor. The Norwood Voice is very important, as people across the school need to be aware of the issues that occur around the world. My main interests are writing, reading and acting.



Otone Yee-King

My name is Otone Yee-King. I'm 11 years old and I am interested in manga and anime. Fun fact about me, I have read all of the BookFlix books!

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Imagine your favourite pirate film; the blindfolded captive, prodded at cutlass-point out onto a narrow beam dangling over the sea,

So, the next time you watch a film involving pirates, ask the question: how accurate is the representation of pirates and what was the reality of these swashbuckling adventures?

Japanese Art.

Introducing Japanese Culture through Manga

Otone Yee-King

What is Manga? It's a Japanese graphic novel. Many might think that it's just a comic book like Spiderman or Beano, but in fact it's a peak into the rich Japanese culture.

Manga originated in the twelfth century. It is even believed that manga is where the right-to-left reading style originated. New manga is being published all of the time. For example, there is a new and popular manga called Demon Slayer. So far in 2020, over 12 million copies of Demon Slayer have been sold. This surpasses the entire number of copies of manga sold in 2019.

Although fans know a lot about manga, there are some manga artists shrouded in mystery. Take the manga artist of Demon Slayer for instance; out of the 126 million people living in Japan some illustrators still remain as an enigma. As well as mysteries there are also pieces of insider information, which are not widely shared or received. If you have manga at home, check your copies and if there is an SJ on the spine you have discovered a little secret.

SJ stands for Shonen Jump. Shonen Jump is a bi weekly Japanese manga magazine and each artist has around twenty pages to tell part of their manga. This is where hard core fans go to get the latest manga work. Popular manga artists would have more pages for their story, whereas less popular manga artists would have fewer pages.

You might think that there won't be a manga for you, but there definitely will be. If you like detectives and murder mysteries, I'd like to recommend Case Closed; if you are into adventure and friendship, Dragonball would be the perfect start, and if you prefer dark fantasy and martial arts Demon Slayer is a great choice!

Women.

Sarah Everard & Blessing Olusegun:

Why women shouldn't have to risk trading their freedom for safety

Mellina Medjebour

« SPECIAL FEATURE

The tragic deaths of Sarah Everard and Blessing Olusegun

Sarah Everard was a 33 year old woman who worked as a marketing executive. She was on her way home from a friend's house, in Clapham, around 9pm on Wednesday 3rd March. She wore bright colours, spoke on the phone to her boyfriend to ensure her safety yet she did not make it safely home. She did everything women are advised to do, yet she was brutally murdered by a person who is meant to ensure the safety of the public - a police officer.

Wayne Couzens was charged and arrested for the kidnapping and murder of Sarah Everard on Friday 12th March. Sarah Everard's body was found in a Kent woodland, and was identified by her dental records. Everard's remains were found in a large bag similar to ones used by builders to transport heavy loads, a court heard.

Blessing Olusegun was a 21 year old young woman who was from South London and studied business. She was a carer for patients who had dementia in Sussex - as she was walking along a beach she had called her boyfriend and several family members also to ensure her safety. Her body was discovered on a beach in East Sussex in September last year. She was alone, with nothing but a few of her belongings close by to her body. Her death has been deemed as "unexplained" by Sussex Police and a post-mortem has determined she died by drowning. But, with a large gap of time between when she was last spotted alive to the discovery of her body, much mystery remains around her death.

The fact that her case had not been spoken about for 6 months shows how disproportionate and unequal today's society is. Olusegun did not get the justice she needed and it poses the question, if Blessing Olusegun was a white woman would her case have received more attention? The racial injustice in today's society is something we should not fail to acknowledge especially within sexual harassments and murders.

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Are women safe in today's society?

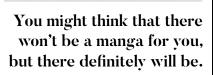
According to a YouGov poll 97% of women aged between 18-24 have been sexually harassed, while 80% of women of all ages said they had experienced sexual harassment in public spaces. The YouGov survey of more than 1,000 women, exposes a damning lack of faith in the UK authorities' desire and ability to deal with sexual harassment - 96% of respondents did not report incidents, with 45% saying it would not change anything. We should not neglect the fact that women have been fighting for many years for their rights and to be able to feel safe when going out alone. For centuries a woman's place in society was dictated by male prejudice and women were seen as the subservient gender.

Shockingly, the sexualisation of women has been normalised to the point where some young girls do not even know they are being sexually harassed. Overall, safety should be something we need to prioritise, but in particular women's safety. This does not mean that men do not experience sexual harassment or any sort of harassment, but it does mean that we need to speak upon the immediate problem that has existed for centuries and continues to pervade society.

If you ever experience any form of sexual harassment it's important to speak about it. Sexual harassment is never acceptable and no matter the situation it's not your fault. If you ever wish to talk to someone, all teachers are there to help you and the safeguarding team are always there to listen. Otherwise, you could file a report to your local police force and if you are ever in danger you can always call 999. Remember, the aforementioned contacts are there to help, despite what the media shows.

Finally, you can download an app called Sekura - it provides tools to better react in real-time when feeling insecure. You can mark dark streets, places to be avoided and help us create a safer public sphere for women and for all. Let's hope we finally see a day where we no longer have to feel afraid.

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What are you waiting for? Go and find your manga!



Amazon The inside story

> But what about Amazon's workers, the people who box your Amazon products and ship them out to you.

How does the owner of Amazon treat his workers?

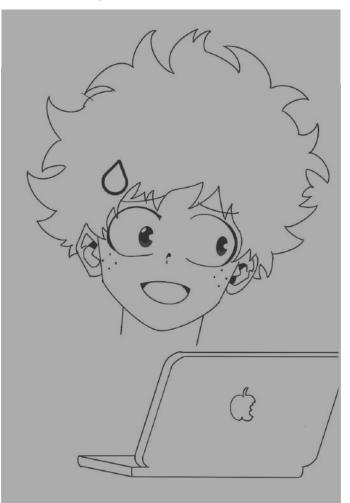


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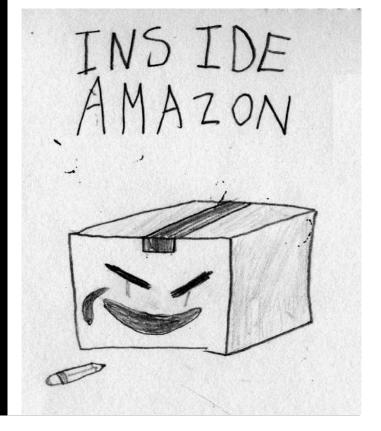
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Sam Holden



Who is Jeff Bezos?

I am going to start by introducing you to

Amazon.com, that's more people than the

adding that "when we express our

Jeff Bezos, a former hedge fund analyst. Jeff Preston Bezos (born January 12, 1964) is an American internet entrepreneur, media proprietor, and investor. He is well known as CEO of Amazon and has been the world's richest person since 2017.

He was named the "richest man in modern history" after his net worth increased to \$150 billion in July 2018. According to Forbes, he is the first person in history to have a net worth exceeding \$200 billion to this day.

Amazon is an American company based in Seattle, Washington. It sells more than 12 million products online to over 197 million people around the world per month who are getting on their devices and visiting entire population of Russia.

But what about Amazon's workers, the people who box your Amazon products and ship them out to you. How does the owner of Amazon treat his workers?

Reports of unsafe working conditions at Amazon warehouses have attracted widespread attention and many questions have been raised about whether or not Amazon is sacking whistle-blowers who are raising concerns about the lack of rights and protections for employees at the company. The Guardian newspaper has addressed this problem, they said that one of the employees wrote to management notifying them that six of her co-workers had tested positive for Covid-19 since 22 October, because "safe social distancing is not only being ignored but discouraged," discomfort to management, we are yelled at about filling orders faster, or told that we can take a leave of absence without pay." She ended by noting "we work for a trillionaire." In Spain, Amazon is in a legal battle as it denies accusations of using private investigators to spy on workers.

An ex-worker claimed that they were treated like robots, "I felt as if the company wanted us to be robots—never stopping, never letting our minds wander off task. I felt an incredible amount of pressure to repress the human "failings" that made me less efficient than a machine".

So now you hopefully understand why I refuse to use Amazon. In the future, before you buy something from the company, think about the workers who work there,