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Are children and young people the new tools of war in the Middle East?

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Former Fame Academy star Sinead Quinn's life today

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Should advertisers be more honest, or be banned from targetting children?

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Is there a threat to the young gay community in the city?

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Ashley Cole Scores for Kids

Thousands of young people support Arsenal. A lot of them are boys who look up to the players as role models and dream of being them.

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Basques Show Way to Forgiveness

Can we learn lessons of peace from history?

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Being Muslim at Christmas

It seems like everyone in the world celebrates Christmas but what some people forget is that a lot of people recognise different religious festivals.

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Big Spender



Bringing D-D to life

What relevance does the Second World War hold for young people today?



Children's Express - Children have their say: drugs and alcohol

Drugs and alcohol affect all of us, including young people



City as a playground

The views of Bob Hughes on play education and the development of children



City as a playground

Play is a very important part of a child's development and yet many adults do not know what play education is.



Community Relations

What do young people think about how we, the older generation, choose to address the conflict and divisions in society and the legacy we bequeath to them?



Dating pressure on pre-teens in Derry

How are children as young as 9 or 10 coping with the pressure to begin dating?



Derry's Devine Inspiration



Drugs: Through the eyes of young people

Children and teenagers discuss the government's decision to reclassify cannabis from a class B to a class C drug.



Fears grow as waste mountain gets higher

Belfast has one of the worst recycling rates in Europe but why and what can be done to improve the situation?



Finding your own Image and Identity

Everyone questions their image and identity at some point in their lives, especially teenagers



Fresh ways of assessing river pollution being brought on stream

River pollution is a problem in Northern Ireland, which needs to be addressed before it worsens.



Ghost or hoax?

We ain't afraid of no ghosts. So said our reporters before they took up their latest assignment - to investigate possible paranormal activity in Derry.



Giving young people a voice

Young people's involvement in local politics and decision making



How much are violent lyrics to blame?

Urban music and reggae artists are often blamed in the press for inciting violence but just how seriously do young people take their lyrics?



If I was in charge of... the Internet



If we were in charge of... Britain

The current bus pass system is not to our liking. Young people 11-years and over don't get free bus passes. If we were in charge we would make bus passes free for all young people. It would encourage them to go to school. But that's not all we'd change.



Internet Safety Poll - the results

We wanted to find out how safe young people felt using the Internet? We did some research; and these are the results.



Is enough support available for victims of bullying?

It's a sad and terrible fact, but there are 16 to 20 suicides in the UK alone each year due to bullying.



Is 'Institutional Racism' Being Tackled in Football?

While football has done great job in combating racism on the terraces, it's time for those in the authorities to lead by example and start fighting the covert racism that lies within.



It's no hoax folks

Three Headliners reporters consider the problem of Hoax calls and why young people are often to blame.



Japan and the Global Threat of Terrorism

The effects of global threat of terrorism on Japan and the Japanese



Junior Jury: highlights 2

Another selection of opinions from the long-running Children's Express opinion column.



Just let me shop

Why are young people are encountering prejudice on the high street?



Keeping it real

The importance of fashion for teenagers



Lignite Mine Controversy Fuels Passion

Plans are underway to start mining for lignite in Northern Ireland, for the generation of electricity but this will have consequences on the environment.



Living with HIV

Living with HIV in Northern Ireland and the bigger worldwide picture



Loss of habitat affecting bird populations

Many of Northern Ireland's peat bogs, which provide protection for birds, are disappearing at an alarming rate.



Meat free thoughts

Animals have feelings too - perhaps that's why the number of vegetarians is growing.



My Life...At Easter

Not everyone celebrates Easter, for some it is just another day.



My Life...the Stage

For some young people acting on stage in front of an audience can help to boost self esteem.



Never too young to die

An investigation into the harsh reality of juvenile execution in the US



Perfect Beauty

There is a lot of pressure placed on young women to look a certain way and some will go to great lengths to achieve that look.



Playstation on the big screen

Why would young people want to go to the cinema to watch play station games? It might not be everyone's idea of a good day out but that is what happened in Derry only last week.



Purple Haze

What are the implications of cannabis' reclassified as a Class C drug?



Role Model or simply celebrity?

In today's society how do young people choose their role models? Do they really look up to people for the good that they are doing or do we all simply have an obsession with celebrity? We set out to look at just who the young people of our city look up to and why?



Shame of Britain's teenagers

Teenagers - lazy and overweight or creative and constructive?



Should professional footballers be role models?

A look at the influence of the behaviour of footballers on children



Speaking out for children

Three members of Islington Children's Parliament explain how they got involved and why they think it is important that young people are listened to.



Standing up for minorities

As the number of people from ethnic minorities living in Northern Ireland increases, so does the urgency to prevent racism and racism related violence.



Teens take on Newcastle's drug and alcohol problems

Listening to young people's views on tackling drug and alcohol misuse



The Human Cost of Road Traffic Accidents

In Northern Ireland twice as many people have died in RTAs than were killed during the Troubles



The more I played the luckier I got

Before Derry City legend Liam Coyle's retirement he shared his reflections and views with members of Children's Express Foyle Bureau.



There's no place like Derry

Wotnxt were in Derry at the weekend where they provided a barnstorming gig to close the Instinct Festival. We caught up with Stevie, Robbie, Jay, Gavin and Paul in the Nerve Centre last Saturday.



What children think of smacking

What do children think of smacking and punishment



What happened to individuality?

Individuality and style is important but how easy is it to achieve?



What's In A Game?

Children look at the effects of violent computer games



Why are young people so badly portrayed by the media?

Why do young people get such a bad press with negative stereotyping?



Why poet Benjamin Zephaniah is a rebel with a cause

Benjamin Zephaniah talks about his early years and his love of poetry



Words Among the Bullets

Thousands of young people all around the world experience war on a daily basis and live to tell their stories. Here is one of them.



Young Muslims feel fall-out from Iraq

How has the war on terror affected race relations in Belfast?



Young People denied Votes at 16

The Electoral Commission has recommended that the voting age should not be lowered to 16 - what do young people think?



Young People Wronged Over Rights

Children and young people do have rights but many are not sure what they are and have never heard of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.



Youth violence - myth or reality

Violence is claimed to be on the rise in Londonderry but is this really the case and if so, are young people to blame?

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