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English herald
approaching the Scots

The **Weardale campaign** occurred during July and August 1327. In 1326, while [England was at war with Scotland](#), the English king [Edward II](#) was deposed by his wife, [Isabella](#), and her lover, [Roger Mortimer](#). Seeing opposition to the Scots as a way of legitimising their position, Isabella and Mortimer prepared a large army to oppose them, accompanied by the newly crowned [Edward III](#). After two weeks of poor supplies and bad weather the English confronted the Scots when the latter deliberately gave away their position. The Scots occupied unassailable positions and the English declined to attack them. A Scottish force raided the English camp, penetrating as far as the royal pavilion. The English believed that they were starving out the surrounded Scots, but on the night of 6 August the Scots escaped and marched back to Scotland. The campaign was ruinously expensive for the English. Isabella and Mortimer were forced to negotiate, and in 1328 a [peace treaty recognising Scottish sovereignty](#) was signed. ([Full article...](#))

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- ... that, among migrants, **transgender asylum seekers** are more likely to be subjected to physical and mental abuse?
- ... that camel caravans using the **Darb El Arbaʿīn** trade route transported salt and human slaves?
- ... that Yemen currently has two parliamentary **upper houses**?
- ... that the public artwork *Eroclamation* at **Haw Par Villa MRT station** reflects [Haw Par Villa](#)'s themes of mortality and reincarnation?
- ... that Australia has three major **Japanese language schools**?
- ... that in "**Who shall separate us?**", composed by [James MacMillan](#) for the [state funeral of Elizabeth II](#), verses from [Romans 8](#) are followed by [Alleluias](#) described as "burning bright sonic trails"?
- ... that the collapse of **Cloghan Castle** in County Cork, Ireland, was said to have been caused by the barking of a ghostly black dog?



Male resplendent quetzal

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- Amid **a government crisis** in the United Kingdom, Prime Minister **Liz Truss** (*pictured*) announces her resignation.
- **Ulf Kristersson** is elected **Prime Minister of Sweden** following a four-party agreement.
- **Hurricane Julia** leaves more than 90 people dead across **South** and **Central America**.
- After **an explosion** damages the **Crimean Bridge**, Russia **attacks** many Ukrainian cities with missiles.



Liz Truss

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October 22:

- **1727** – **George II** and **Caroline of Ansbach** were crowned king and queen of **Great Britain** in **Westminster Abbey**.
- **1740** – A two-week **massacre of ethnic Chinese** in **Batavia**, **Dutch East Indies**, came to an end with at least 10,000 people killed.
- **1936** – **Dod Orsborne**, captain of the ***Girl Pat*** was convicted and imprisoned of its theft, having caused a media sensation when it went missing.
- **1966** – With their album ***The Supremes A' Go-Go***, **the Supremes** became the first all-female group to reach number one on the ***Billboard 200*** chart.
- **1987** – **John Adams'** (*pictured*) opera ***Nixon in China*** premiered.



John Adams

Charles Scott (d. 1813) · **Deepak Chopra** (b. 1946) · **James K. Baxter** (d. 1972)

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Alexander Fleming (1881–1955) was a Scottish [physician](#) and [microbiologist](#), best known for discovering the world's first broadly effective [antibiotic](#) substance, which he named [penicillin](#). His discovery in 1928 of what was later named [benzylpenicillin](#) (or penicillin G) from the mould *[Penicillium rubens](#)* is described as the "single greatest victory ever achieved over disease." For this discovery, he shared the [Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine](#) in 1945 with [Howard Florey](#) and [Ernst Chain](#).

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