



## The News

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A man has been charged in Cherbourg with rape and an act of barbarity. The offences date back to ten days ago. The 18-year-old has been kept in custody. He was already known to police for rape and sexual assault. The victim remains in a life-threatening condition.

The search has been called off in Haute-Garonne after the 9-year-old boy who was reported missing last night was found this morning at his grandmother's home. More than a hundred gendarmes were mobilized last night near Saint-Gaudens after the boy went missing during a village festival.

France's national student union, UNEF, has calculated that due to inflation this year's students have to spend an average of 50 euros more per month than previous years. UNEF released its annual budget calculations today and is asking the government for the creation of an autonomy allowance that would enable all students to at least live on the breadline.

With less than a month to go until the start of the Rugby World Cup, France's rugby team has suffered a blow with two key players looking like they will have to bow out. Romain NTamack will have to sit out the entire competition due to sustaining an injury to the cruciate ligaments in his knee on Saturday against Scotland. Meanwhile, there is still a question mark over Cyril Baille's fate after injuring his calf. Baille will have to sit out at least 5-6 weeks.

And finally, a record-breaking number of viewers tuned into the Women's Football World Cup, with France's quarter final match garnering nearly 6 million viewers, going up to 8 million during the penalty shootout which ultimately went to Australia. Australia will play England in the semi-finals on Wednesday. The first of the semi-final matches, Spain against Sweden, kicks off tomorrow at 10 a.m. French time.