



## The News

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More than 490 people were killed in Lebanon yesterday, including 35 children, on the deadliest day of conflict since the clashes between Israel and Hezbollah got underway. Israel's army say that they are targeting Hezbollah sites with their airstrikes. France has requested an emergency meeting of the UN Security Council to address the escalating conflict.

The new minister for justice, Didier Migaud has said that he will "fight" for the justice budget. He was the guest on last night's 8pm news on channel France 2. Mr Migaud said that he hoped that as head of government, Michel Barnier would make the "right decisions" as he is faced with the prospect of a justice budget that will shrink by 500 million euros next year.

17 schoolchildren were injured in a bus accident in Seine-et-Marne yesterday. The accident happened in the afternoon in the town of Chauconin. The bus was carrying around fifty children in total. Two were seriously injured and taken to hospital in a critical condition.

There was more violence in Marseille last night as a man in his forties was caught in the crossfire of a shooting in the Belle-de-Mai district of the city's 3rd arrondissement. He is in a life-threatening condition. The shooter fled the scene and is actively sought by police.

And finally, yesterday marked 30 years since audiences first tuned into the show with the theme tune where everyone would go clap clap clap clap. Yes, Friends turned 30 yesterday and to mark the occasion, a hundred lots to do with the sitcom were put up for sale, including a replica of the iconic orange sofa from the café Central Perk where Rachel, Joey, Monica, Ross, Phoebe and Chandler would spend most of their time. Could that buyer be anymore of a Friends fan?!