

celebs

Hrithik Roshan stands up for student bullied over stutter

Mumbai

Hrithik Roshan came in support of an individual who was asked to not give a presentation in class due to stuttering issue. The Bollywood star said that stuttering should never hold him back from dreaming big.

A social media user wrote: "My cousin who has a stuttering issue, was giving a presentation in his class when the HOD/lecturer told him *if u cannot speak properly maybe u shouldnt study* in front of the entire class. He hasn't come out of his room since this incident."

The user added that "He now refuses to go back to his university and face anyone in the classroom or study, his confidence is shattered."

Hrithik, who himself had a speech disorder known as stammering and overcame his problem through speech therapy classes, took to Twitter on Sunday and wrote: "Please tell your cousin that that professor and his judgement both are irrelevant."



Hrithik Roshan

Eva Mendes is not offended by troll calling her old

Los Angeles



Eva Mendes

Actress Eva Mendes says she is not offended by a troll who called her old.

Weeks after her retort at a troll who mocked her age, the 45-year-old actress revealed the reason she didn't feel offended by such rudeness, reports [aceshowbiz.com](#).

"I wanted to make sure to get back to that person because I had something to say and I felt like. Look, you mean this, I don't think it was malicious but you mean it kind of like an insult," Mendes told [people.com](#).

She added: "I want to show you that I take it as a compliment because I'm still here."

The actress said: "And I have, you know, instead of saying I am 46, I wish we could change it and I wish I could say, 'I have 46 years to me' because in Spanish it's very beautiful. It says you say, 'Tengo cuarenta seis anos' I have 46 years and in English I know, it's a little, you know it's semantics but it's important. It's like I don't feel 46 but I do feel like I have 46 years of experience to me. I just find that so empowering."

Although she believes the troll bears no malice, Mendes felt such ignorant comments carried dangerous meaning.

Kristen Bell doesn't believe in soulmates

New York

Kristen Bell

Actress Kristen Bell wouldn't have wed her husband Dax Shepard if they'd met five years earlier.

The "Frozen II" actress made the revelation when she appeared on the Build Series here when she opened up on the concept of soulmates, reports [aceshowbiz.com](#).

While promoting her new baby brand Hello Bello, Bell said: "I think it's who you choose to make it work with. I don't think you could ever find your soulmate if you're not ready. I don't know if I think soulmates exist."

"The Good Place" actress went on to say there's "no way" she would have married "Spin the Wheel" star Shepard if they'd met five years earlier, laughing: "We'd be a tabloid headline."

"We met at the time when we were both evolving into a place where it was 'Okay, what are the outcomes I want in my life?' I think you have to go through your own personal evolution to get there."

The actress previously said that she felt no spark when the couple first met, she said she thought he talked too much.

The two got married in 2013 and now have daughters Lincoln, six, and Delta, five.

Dwayne Johnson: Emily Blunt is one of the most talented actors

Los Angeles

Actress Emily Blunt has recently turned a year older, and her "Jungle Cruise" co-star Dwayne Johnson is all praise for the former on her birthday.

"Happy birthday to my dear friend and one of the most talented actors of our generation. Emily Blunt. And yes, I am contractually obligated to say nice things about her. Truth is, she's family. Happy birthday, sis. You look amazing for 102," Dwayne, who is also known as The Rock, wrote on Instagram on Monday.

He also posted a picture in which they are seen sharing smiles with each other. The Disney's "Jungle Cruise" is scheduled to release later this year. It is directed by Jaume Collet-Serra.



Dwayne Johnson

Deepika receives flak over '83' tweet

Mumbai

Bollywood actress Deepika Padukone faced a backlash over her tweet on the role of Romi Dev in the upcoming film "83".

The actress posted her look as Romi on February 19. It was the tweet that accompanied the post that didn't go down well with social media users.

"To be able to play a small part in a film that captures one of the most iconic moments in sporting history has been an absolute honour."

"I've seen very closely the role a wife plays in the success of her husband's professional and personal aspirations in my mother and 83 for me in many ways is an ode to

every woman who puts her husband's dream before her own...#thisis83," she had captioned the image.

A user wrote: "Just to promote the film such a backward chatter. How annoying."

Another said: "good God, every woman who puts her husband's dream before her own' has been happening since the dawn of time and needs to stop. NOW."

"@deepikapadukone we aren't in '83 anymore. Patriarchy is dying; let's look for those husbands who put their wife's dream before their own, in the new millenia?" said one.

One user asked: "Will you out your career behind to promote your spouse career?"



Deepika Padukone

Katrina Kaif to Priyanka Chopra: It's always a blast with u

Mumbai

Katrina Kaif and Priyanka Chopra



What happens when three Bollywood super-divas meet? They've claimed to be the best of buddies so they bond over many things, and cosmetics is certainly a big topic of discussion.

When Priyanka Chopra and Alia Bhatt came calling on Katrina Kaif at her residence on Sunday, that certainly seems to be the case. Katrina's Monday evening Instagram post would stand as evidence. In the post, she hints that she gifted some nice lip colours to Priyanka, from her recently launched makeup brand Kay Beauty. By Katrina.

Dua Lipa chops off her damaged hair

Los Angeles

Dua Lipa

Singer Dua Lipa was forced to cut her hair due to "bleached breakages".

The "New rules" hit-maker debuted her new look earlier this week, with two-tone bangs and a cropped blonde fringe - a style the Lipa said wasn't her choosing, reports [aceshowbiz.com](#).

After fans probed the singer on social media about her new cut, she wrote: "PSA: This is not a haircut, it's bleached breakages but I'm running with it," explaining that since she had bleached her hair so much, it started to 'break off'.

Lipa is gearing up for the release of her new album titled "Future Nostalgia", which comes out on April 3, 2020. She will kick off her European tour on 26 April in Madrid, Spain.



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Kangana's new 'Thalaivi' look launched on Jayalalithaa's birth anniversary

Chennai

Today is the birth anniversary of J. Jayalalithaa, and a new look of Kangana Ranaut as the late former Tamil Nadu chief minister in the latter's upcoming biopic "Thalaivi" was

unveiled on social media by the actress's sister Rangoli Chandel.

Kangana looks almost perfect as Jayalalithaa in the picture. She wears a white saree with a red-white-black border, in sync with the flag of Jayalalithaa's party, AIADMK. Her hair is tied, and she wears a small red bindi on the forehead with dazzling studs.

When the makers of "Thalaivi" released Kangana's first in the film a few months ago, it brought its share of criticism, with many saying that the actress looked nothing like the Iron Lady of Tamil Nadu. However, it looks like the makers have taken notes from the flak, be-



cause Kangana's new look seems flawless.

Said AL Vijay, director of the film: "We've brought in specialists from the USA to work on Kangana's look. In terms of the story, we would like to portray her (Jayalalithaa's) human side without trying to glorify her."

At a media interaction a while

back, Kangana had said that while she isn't entirely like Jayalalitha in real life, she does find certain similarities. "It is a big challenge to fit into Jayalalithaa's shoes because she was a glamorous actress like Aishwarya Rai, which I am not. But I do find a common point. She was a reluctant actor. It is the same with me. I never wanted to be an actor. I think she always felt that she was worth much more than just being a glam doll (in films), and she became a politician. Like how I became a filmmaker because I felt that being an actress was very limiting for me. So, I think there are parallels," she said.