

Saturday, September 6

ON THIS DAY



▲ **2007: Italian tenor Luciano Pavarotti, 71, died from pancreatic cancer at his home in Modena**

1566: Suleiman I, Sultan of the Ottoman Empire since 1520, died

1940: King Carol II of Romania was forced to abdicate by the Axis powers in World War Two

1988: Thomas Gregory, 11, became the youngest person to swim the English Channel, in 11 hours, 54 mins

2007: Israeli warplanes struck a target in Syria suspected of being a nuclear-related facility supported by North Korea, though Syria denied any nuclear weapons programme