

Sunday, July 16

ON THIS DAY



▲ **2005:** Hurricane Emily strengthened to become the earliest Category 5 hurricane ever recorded in the Atlantic basin

1885: Louis Pasteur reported a successful test of his vaccine against rabies when a nine-year-old sufferer made a rapid recovery after receiving a weakened strain of the virus

1965: The Mont Blanc road tunnel, linking France with Italy, was opened

1999: Microsoft became the first company to be valued at over \$500bn

2004: At least 90 children died when fire swept through their thatched-roofed school in Tamil Nadu, India