Irving a debt
It is great news that Jeremy Hunt has finally sat down with the junior doctors to work out a deal. But he still needs to reverse cuts made to student bursaries that allow nurses, midwives, physiotherapists and others to train.

A few months ago I told the story of Danielle Tiplady in this column, a 29-year-old student nurse from Cornwall. “I would not be qualifying as a nurse without the bursary,” she said.

Danielle is organizing a demonstration in central London that starts at 1pm on June 4. Her “Bursary or Bust” petition is now tantalisingly close to the 100,000 signatures needed to trigger a Commons debate. Sign it here: http://tinyurl.com/jyy85ic

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Dajay eventually smiles. “I don’t think of myself as a migrant,” she says. “I have lived here since I was three. Maybe I didn’t have a passport or papers, but I am British. What else am I? Jamaican? I left there when I was tiny child.”

On Tuesday, at the Daily Mirror EU debate, Nigel Farage once again fanned the flames on immigration. A day later – in comments condemned by Doreen Lawrence – he suggested there could be violence on the streets if Britain remained in the EU. Yesterday, Labour’s Chuka Umunna said the UKIP leader was “showing shades of Enosh Powell”.

Dami, 22, and Chrisann, 21, say they feel distress every time they see the headlines. “And sometimes angry,” Dami adds. “I think, ‘You don’t know anything about our lives’,” Dajay, 19, now has British citizenship, but says he spent the years fighting for his papers feeling “shameful and sad”.

For most of their lives, these three young people were undocumented – three of the 120,000 migrant children believed to live in the UK who don’t have all the right paperwork. For years, after coming to live here with parents who overstayed tourist or work visas in search of safety or a better life, they lived with uncertainty.

Apart from going to school, they had few more rights than the children in Calais or hidden on boats crossing between continents. Yet they couldn’t be more “British” in every other sense.

The first time I met Dajay was on the steps of a West London Town Hall, about to step out of the shadows. Less than an hour later, he had sung God Save The Queen, sworn an oath and become a British citizen. “I’m not looking over my shoulder any more,” he says. But as the EU vote gets closer, these three young people remain human collateral in a brutal public debate.

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