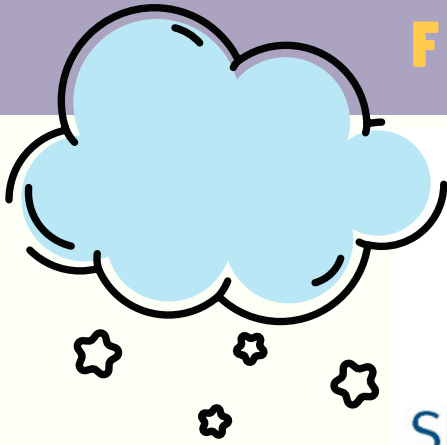


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SECTION INTERNATIONALE
La Celle-Saint-Cloud - Noisy le Roi

SECTION INTERNATIONALE HIGHLIGHTS

NEWS, EVENTS AND PICTURES!

Winter Edition



Elise Barth, Editor

A first word



Hello Everyone,

We hope your children are all enjoying the school year. It's hard to believe that we are already nearly halfway through the year.

We still have some exciting events coming up for our children and also for their parents. The lycée pupils in seconde & première will be going on a 3 day trip to London in March. The primary pupils are having a "Book Month" in March with fun activities lined up and the chance to dress as their favourite book character.

Parents are invited to the annual Quiz night in Collège Pasteur on March the 13th. If you have any ideas for prizes for the raffle, please let us know (admissions@sectioninternational.org) and don't forget to sign up for a table (<https://www.helloasso.com/associations/section-internationale-la-celle-saint-cloud-noisy-le-roi/evenements/quiz-night-2020>).

On the same weekend, just before the France-Ireland match, we are invited to participate in the 3rd St Patrick's Day parade to be held in Paris. Absolutely no Irish genes are needed to be part of the celebrations on the afternoon of Saturday March the 14th from the Collège Irlandais de Paris. Just let us know if you are interested (vp@sectioninternational.org). We are looking for people to march with us.

We have lots to tell you about in this newsletter! Enjoy reading about what has been happening in the Section over the past few months.

Many thanks for all the help that you are able to offer.

Happy 2020!

*Marie Carpenter
Vice President - Section Internationale*



CHRISTMAS PARTIES COLLEGE LA QUINTINYE



by Debbie Rattier & Suzanne Ross

On Friday 13 December (unlucky for some but not for us!) Collège de la Quintinye students, teachers and parents enjoyed a convivial evening around Christmas and comic sketches followed by a shared potluck buffet.

The sixièmes and cinquièmes coordinated their skills to perform a comic sketch about a traditional family Christmas, complete with carol singing and enacting the television programmes they watched.

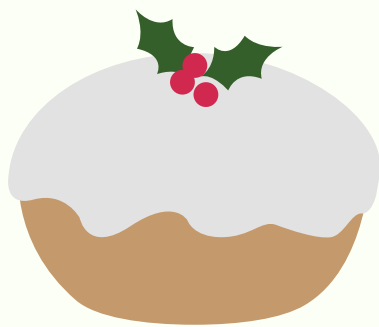
The quatrièmes produced and directed their very own sketch. One of the directors, Noémie Langlois, provided the following insight into the genius behind their collaborative process: “We chose ‘*Backstage*’ as the title, as it is the setting of the play, but we also wanted the audience to know that what’s shown isn’t always the truth. For example, in this play everyone is cheerful and organised. However, we soon discover that behind all of this are a tense manager, heart-broken elves, a confused Santa, and above all two saboteurs trying to ruin the play. On the basis of this, I decided to try to write an outline with ideas that I thought would be interesting to captivate the audience’s attention and help the story build itself. Then we presented these ideas to the class. Everyone edited it to make it better. Lastly, we needed to act. Every character in the play has a defined personality, so the actor had to be motivated to convince the audience that the character was real. It was fairly difficult at the beginning to forget who we were in everyday life and to become the character, but soon it became easier. Everyone was very motivated to create an exceptional play!”

The troisièmes finished the evening's performance with two comic sketches: one about the team of engineers working on the Concorde in the 1960s and the other about an unusual encounter in a train carriage.

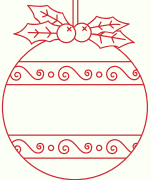
All the students performed with gusto, amazing costumes and special sound effects.

Thank you for your enthusiasm and hard work to make your performances such a success.

Many thanks also to Céline Delanaud and the team of parents who organised the buffet and decorated the canteen. And thanks to all the parents for the delicious food and efficient clearing up at the end.



CHRISTMAS PARTIES COLLEGE LA QUINTINYE



CHRISTMAS PARTIES COLLEGE PASTEUR



by Ann King

“Christmas comes but once a year, and when it does, it brings good cheer.” So chanted the elves in “Christmas Every Day”, this year’s play. The 45 students of the Collège Pasteur International Section pooled their talents to put on a memorable performance for an appreciative audience on Friday 13 December.

After the Christmas Fairy granted Abby’s wish, Christmas came every day for a year with amusing and disastrous results. By the end, Abby learned that “Good things come to those who wait”. Or perhaps the moral was “Be careful what you wish for.” At any rate, from the elves to Abby’s family to the merchants to Santa and all the other characters, everyone contributed to the magic of the evening as each year level performed several scenes of the play.

After the performance, the traditional singing of Christmas carols was followed by the ever dynamic “Reindeer Hokey Pokey”. The evening ended with the children and adult buffets and the used book sale.

Many thanks to the hard-working students and their director, Mr Pera. Thank you Orla Cohen and the team of parents who organised the buffet and decorated the canteen. Thanks to the valiant parents running the used book sale. And thanks to all the parents for the tasty food and efficient clearing up at the end. No one wants it to happen again tomorrow – but a year from now sounds great!



CHRISTMAS PARTIES COLLEGE PASTEUR



SHAKESPEARE WORKSHOPS & THE 3EME LYCEE VISIT

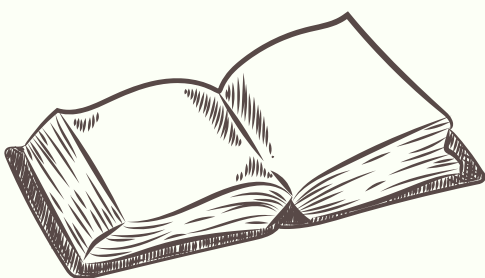
by Ann King

"It's Greek to me", penned by Shakespeare 400 years ago, can describe how many feel about his works today. Once again, Conor Short, a professional actor and drama teacher from London, breathed life and accessibility into the bard's genius.

In early December, Troisième students enjoyed an introduction to *Macbeth*. Seconde students discovered *Romeo and Juliet*. Première students worked with scenes from *Hamlet* that appear in *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead*, one of their texts for the OIB.

The strike situation delayed the Terminale workshop until January, which focused on *The Tempest*, their Shakespeare text for the OIB. Picking up on stage directions in the dialogue, interpretation clues in iambic pentameter verse, and humour in prose was enjoyable and educational.

Before their workshop, the Troisième students had a Q&A session about life at Lycée Corneille with **Section Internationale** students in Seconde and Première. Much was said about the hard work that lies ahead, but the promise of greater autonomy and appealing facilities make the lycée a step to look forward to.





PRIMARY CHRISTMAS SHOW



by Ruth Hasid

The annual Christmas shows for the primary programmes were another success.

The primary teachers chose the Polar Express theme with each class acting and singing a part of the story.

Many thanks to Adeline Wohlhuter Haddad and to all the parents who helped out with the organisation of each event and to the teacher's hard work. The scenery was impressive, adding the right setting and atmosphere. Each class in their own way performed well, giving each student a different experience, and a challenge to certain, which is always enriching.

Here are some of the CM2's comments they wrote after the Integrated show. It is always interesting to see what the students appreciated....in many cases it is the buffet !!

« I think it was pretty good. It was different from the last years because last year each class made their own show, but this time it was together. I think the decoration was fantastic ! How the train was made..... » *Anaëlle Remond*

« The Christmas show was great ! Everything was clear, we understood what we were saying. I also think that the story was good and the decoration was well done. Normally I don't really like Christmas songs, but these songs they used were great ! » *Clotilde Tatard*





« This year it was my first Christmas show in the International Section. It was inspired by Narnia and the Polar Express which were stories I knew before. I enjoyed being part of the show and preparing it. We had a few rehearsals at school during which we practised our roles and had some fun. I found being on stage exciting , but I really felt stressed out because I spoke when it was not my turn. What really impressed me is that everybody knew their roles very well » *Alex Mouren*

« What I liked most about the show was that everyone participated and the decorations were awesome ! »
Thibaut Vicente Santa Cruz

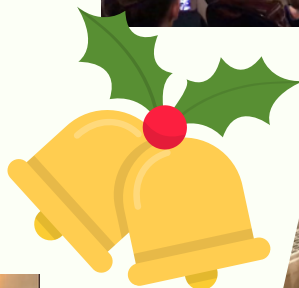
« I liked the Christmas show, it was so exciting !!! I was surprised by all the spectators. I really like to act like a real actor in real theatres, so, I loved it ! » *Marius Leistner*

« The Christmas show was well organised ; there was a buffet. We did a show about the Polar Express story. I didn't really like the theme of the story, but I liked the idea of doing it all together, with all the other classes. At the buffet there were snacks, cheese, cakes, chips and some drinks. I liked everything ! » *Abel Garatti*

The parent reps with the sale of homemade goodies and decorations, as well as the second hand book sales managed to raise 349€ : Amazing ! Many thanks to all your efforts.



PRIMARY CHRISTMAS SHOW



INTERACTIVE GLOBE – PRIMARY

by Alexandra Godard

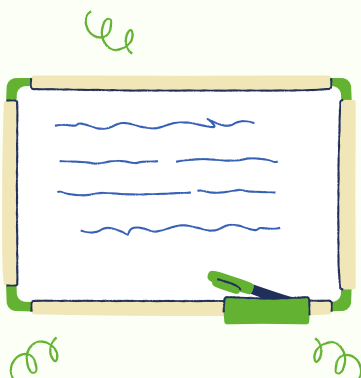


Our Section Internationale has been offered an interactive globe for free from the company Leapfrog UK! All the classes can use it to supplement a topic in Science or Geography. Our CE2 Integrated class wrote a thank you card on behalf of the whole school to express our gratitude to the company.

Leapfrog specialise in educational learning games for children from 4 to 8 years old to help them learn to read. They work with VTech who also supply electronic learning products for 0-9 year olds.

Leapfrog UK Learning games include Touch and Learn word books, Touch and Talk games and many other toys to make learning English exciting and fun. V Tech have a range of magic learning laptops to practise phonics, vocabulary and spelling. They also offer some voice activated games with their Super Learning Phone for example. Take a look at their websites. Maybe you'll find something to inspire your children to explore their English skills in different ways!

www.leapfrog.com
www.vtech.co.uk



PRIMARY SCHOLASTIC BOOKS



Thank you to all parents who bought books from the Scholastic Book Catalogue in the Winter term.

Here is a selection of the free books we received for the school library thanks to your buying!

This is a more than welcome contribution to the library since we can select current books which the children enjoy reading and for the section they are free gifts!

The next Scholastic book sale will be after the Easter break.



QUIZ NIGHT

by Kristina Abadie



After the resounding success of the Quiz Night last year, we are delighted to invite you to the 2020 edition. This will take place on

Friday 13th March 2020 from 7 pm to 10.30 pm

Collège Pasteur

30 Avenue de Circourt

78170 La Celle Saint Cloud

Find some friends and book as a team (maximum per team = 8 players) or come on your own and make new friends as we team you up with somebody.

**Tickets cost 10 Euros and can be bought online via
Hello Asso.**

<https://www.helloasso.com/associations/section-internationale-la-celle-saint-cloud-noisy-le-roi/evenements/quiz-night-2020>

This ticket does not include food or drink and you are requested to bring along your own plates, cutlery and glasses to reduce the amount of waste our social events produce.

QUIZ NIGHT



BAYON

L'ECOLE

This year's chosen charity is Ecole du Bayon, an association offering schooling to over 400 underprivileged children in and around the Bayon Temples in Siem Reap, Cambodia. They also have a pastry training school for young women from all over the country who come and learn a trade.

For further information on the wonderful work they do and what the proceeds of the Charity Quiz Night will be used for, please visit their website Ecoledubayon.org.

How you can help

- Come along to the Quiz Night and enjoy yourself... make some new friends!
- Buy raffle tickets which will go on sale after the holidays, even if you cannot attend.
- Donate a prize to the Raffle (dinner for 2, tickets for a show, a trip to the Caribbean...)
- Make a donation directly on the website and make a difference.
- Sign up to help us set up before the event or tidy up after the event...

We are also looking to borrow a video projector screen that can stand independently so if you have one or can get hold of one, please contact Kristina Abadie in the Admissions Office (admissions@sectioninternationale.org or 07.77.70.34.37).

POTLUCKS

NOVEMBER -
5EME PASTEUR



*better
together*
4EME PASTEUR



3EME PASTEUR



JANUARY -
TERMINALE



6EME PASTEUR



TESTIMONY



By Gonzalo Martinez-Alonso - Class of 2019

Gonzalo is currently in prépa PCSI at Lycée Saint Louis in Paris.

The Value of the Section Internationale and the OIB

Beyond the time and dedication that was required to get through the dense OIB programme there was something that I found to be more important: the development of my work ethic. Currently, school programmes are more or less designed to assure high pass rates. However, that is not the case in post-bac studies, where work on a personal scale ramps up exponentially. I can personally confirm this since my start in prépa.

This is where the OIB comes in for me, months after graduating. Thanks to the intense Premiere and Terminale programmes, I was trained to sustain heavy workloads through my lycée years, which is currently greatly helping me deal with unforgiving schedules and assignments.

Furthermore, I can also thank the OIB for making me a more cultured individual. I stopped counting the number of times knowledge from HG and Literature classes has allowed me to contribute to random conversations in formal and informal situations as it is too frequent.

Thanks to the great team of teachers who followed us throughout the lycée years, the task was made easier as I felt (and my other classmates too) that questions would not go unanswered and that we were very well prepared for the final exams. I honestly cannot think of a “negative” moment off the top of my head, but I can instead remember countless times where I was reminded that I was in the right place within the Section. The “small” aspect of the community is also a place where unbreakable bonds are formed between people and where help is at everyone’s reach.

On a more academic level, my communication and writing skills strongly improved within a short amount of time as the feedback I received was always efficient and useful. In all, I recommend the Section as students are not only well prepared for what they are doing for the bac but also for their future in post-bac studies.

EVENTS

WHAT IS COMING UP!

PRIMARY



The Primary Teachers will be dedicating the month of March to a 'BOOK MONTH'.

We will be making a particular emphasis on books in general, by exploring the world of books !

Apart from the various class activities we will be organising these events :

READATHON : starting 2nd March til 13th March.

Supporting the charity : Ecole du Bayon

So two weeks of intensive reading whereby the students are sponsored by family and friends. The money will be collected by the end of March ready to send to the charity. This will be educative in every sense : learning about another country and the needs of others as well as encouraging the students to discover different books and to simply enjoy reading !

BOOK CHARACTER DAY :

Week 9th March: Integrated classes

11th March: Wednesday classes

The students will be encouraged to think carefully about book characters and then to dress up as a book character, or and bring in props, wear a mask, etc.... All good fun !

STORYTELLER from America :

24th March: all Integrated classes

25th March: all Wednesday classes

Two sessions have been organised for this storyteller to engage our students in this wonderful and magical art of storytelling. Stuart Stotts also uses music to capture his audience's attention. It should be a delightful hour of entertaining. All financed by the Section !

EVENTS

WHAT IS COMING UP!

Save the date



College

END OF YEAR GRADUATION PARTY

ALL COLLEGE FAMILIES ARE INVITED

TUESDAY, JUNE 16TH 2020

7.30 PM - 9.30 PM

Address:

Salle Georges Lemaire

7 bis rue de Maule

Bailly (78870)



COLLEGE 6ème

In our previous newsletter, we explained how our current CM2 students could apply for 6ème in one of our colleges. If you have not yet opened your application for 6ème, we encourage you to do so urgently:

Deadline **Friday 14th February 2020**

Official Test **Friday 28th February 2020 (afternoon).**

TRANSFER TO PRIMARY INTEGRATED OR EXTERNE

If your child is currently in our Primary Wednesday Programme, and you wish to apply for a place in the Primary Integrated or Externé programmes, you have already received details on how to proceed. Please do not hesitate to contact the Admissions Office if you have any questions, the deadline being **Friday, 4th March 2020.**

LYCEE 2NDE

If your child is currently in one of our 3ème classes, you will have received an email about how to apply for a place in Section Internationale 2nde in Lycée Corneille. If you have not received this email, please contact the Admissions office.



For applicants not currently in one of our programmes (younger siblings, friends etc, ...), we will be holding the official Entrance tests for all the other levels (primary, college and lycée), on

Wednesday 18th March 2020 (morning)

- The deadline for applications is Wednesday 4th March 2020.
- All applications go through our website.
- Distance testing for families abroad can be organised (except Grande Section and CP).

Kristina Abadie - Admissions Manager - Tel: 07 77 70 34 37

WhatsApp: Section Inter'le LCSC-NLR

Email: admissions@sectioninternationale.org

PRACTICAL INFORMATION



JOIN US!

*The next Committee meeting is on 25th
February!*

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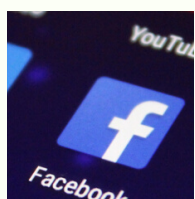
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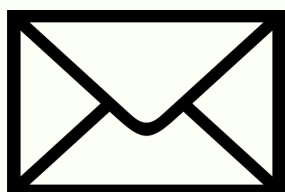
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