

1. La francophonie

La journée internationale de la francophonie is celebrated all over the world on 20 March.
Register your celebration on the dedicated website: <http://www.20mars.francophonie.org/>

a) Concours de la francophonie en Ecosse:

We received semi-finals entries from the Councils of Aberdeen City, Angus, Argyll and Bute, Dundee City, East Lothian, Edinburgh City, Glasgow City, North Ayrshire, Perth and Kinross, Shetland Islands, Stirling, West Lothian and from various independent schools.

The judging panel met on 2 February to select the winners:

P1/P4

Premier prix: Maisondieu PS, Brechin – Angus Council – P3 – “Minibeast Madness”

Deuxième prix ex aequo: Dunning PS, Auchterarder – Perth & Kinross Council – P2/3 – “La météo”

Deuxième prix ex aequo: Kirn PS – Argyll and Bute Council – P1 – “Comment ça va aujourd’hui ?”

P5/P7

Premier prix : Doune PS – Stirling Council – P7 – “Le Ballon rouge”

Deuxième prix: Aberlemno PS – Angus Council - P1/7 – « Histoire de Noël »

S1/S3

Premier prix: Mid Yell Junior School – Shetland Islands Council – S2 – “Ciné Yell”

Deuxième prix: The Mary Erskine School – Independant School – S2 – “La mauvaise note”

Prix spécial créativité : Clermiston Primary School – City of Edinburgh Council – P7 – « au café »

The award ceremony for first prize winners will take place on 23 March at the Institut français d’Écosse in Edinburgh. An immersion day will be organised in Mid Yell for winners of the Shetland.

Second prize winners and special award winner will receive a selection of French books.

b) Concours de la francophonie au Royaume-Uni :

Embassies and representations of member states of la Francophonie will organise this year again a UK wide online quiz for S1/S2/S3. Enrol your teams at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/vive-la-francophonie-quiz-tickets-42714656688>

c) Mon idée pour le français

“Mon idée pour le français” is an online worldwide public consultation launched by the President of the French Republic to collect ideas from all over the world on the use of the French language and plurilingualism. Post your idea on <https://www.monideepourlefrancais.fr>

2. Resources for the classroom

You will find a variety of resources for your class on [IFprofs](#), the new worldwide social network for French teachers. Open your account now.

The Institut français offers a variety of free online French resources for the class (magazines for children and teenagers, children books, comics, French lessons for primary schools). Open your account now on www.culturetheque.com to access these free resources.

Tivi5Monde, the francophone web TV channel for children of TV5monde, has developed a board game with many activities to discover French with young learners in the classroom. To support teaching of French in primary schools and make it easier for teachers to use the game, Tivi5Monde has translated the instructions in English and Spanish. Scotland and Andalucia will be the first to benefit from these new resources. 50 hard copies should arrive soon at the Institut français and I will contact you later on in March to organise 3 half day training sessions for DOs and language leaders in the East, the West and the North of Scotland.

3. Summer course in France for ML DOs and 1+2 leaders:

The IFE offers this year again 6 grants to Dos and language leaders for a one-week course in CAVILAM, an international centre of excellence for French teachers and teachers' trainers' professional development.

The course will take place on 30 July to 3 August 2018 in Vichy. It has been designed for DOs and 1+2 leaders who want to discover new techniques and resources to support their colleagues. The course will include language learning and pedagogy. The course will be in French.

The grant includes only the course fee. All other expenses (international and national travel, accommodation, food and additional cultural activities) are of the sole responsibility of the Council or of the candidate.

The application process will begin on 23 April and will end on 12 May.

4. New address

The Institut français has moved. Here is our new contact information:
Institut français d'Ecosse
West Parliament Square
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Au plaisir de vous retrouver le 2 mars,

Très cordialement à vous,

Thomas Chaurin
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