The Franco "files"

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE FRENCH CLASSROOM?

Students in Honors French 4 recently wrapped up a unit in which they explored the relationships and key moments in their lives and how they have helped to shape their growth into the young adults they are becoming. In our second unit, we are now beginning to examine the impact of technology in our daily lives.

Last week, students in Honors French 2 class completed their first unit in which they learned how to describe their school schedule, give their opinions of their teachers and their classes, and identify the characteristics of their personality that contribute to their success in school. In our second unit, we are beginning to explore common dishes from France, Belgium, and the Congo and will soon learn how to talk about family traditions related to food.

The French 1 class is wrapping up their first unit in which students have learned how to briefly introduce themselves to others. As we move into our second unit, they will begin to explore vocabulary related to school, their classes, and the supplies needed for them.

All classes have begun to engage in the pen pal exchange with students from Toulouse, France using Google docs and Flip videos to talk about themselves and their interests.





Did you know?

- All of the notes that Mrs. Bailey
 uses in class are prepared on
 Google slides which are shared
 with students on Canvas. Be sure
 to check out the "Daily Slides"
 module on your Canvas page to
 follow along with each unit or
 catch up following an absence.
- In Mrs. Bailey's class, there is a 10% penalty for each school day that an assignment is late (up to three days) before turning into a zero. Be sure to check Sapphire regularly to make sure you aren't missing assignments.



Le Canal du Midi (Toulouse, France)

Happening now in the francophone community

France is the home of early film, where Auguste and Louis Lumière, more commonly known as the Lumière Brothers, showed some of the first movies. Each year in October, a film festival is held in Lyon, France, the place of the Lumière Brothers' first film exhibition. At this festival, many international films are screened and the Lumière Award is presented to an influential filmmaker. This year's event will be held from October 15-23 and the Lumière Award will be given to famous filmmaker Tim Burton.

Source: https://www.festival-lumiere.org/en/

This month, in the northern city of Amiens, France, one can visit *La Grande Réderie d'Amiens*, one of France's biggest flea markets. A tradition which started in 1909, this twice-a-year event opens its doors to thousands of vendors selling vintage and antique items. This year's event will take place on October 2 and is expected to welcome more than 80,000 shoppers visiting nearly 2,000 vendors.

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TIP FOR SUCCESS IN THE LANGUAGE CLASSROOM:

"One of the best ways to ensure success in French class is to not be afraid to ask questions. Even if you don't know exactly how to say something, you can always ask to speak in English, or Madame will help you with any words you struggle with, and she'll be more than happy to help."

-Robbie A., Class of 2023 (who has completed AP French Language & Culture and serves as a student intern in the French classroom)

IMPORTANT DATES

OCTOBER 8 – HOMECOMING DANCE (7-10 PM)

OCTOBER 10 – TEACHER INSERVICE (NO CLASSES)

OCTOBER 11 – ACT 80 DAY (NO CLASSES)

OCTOBER 12 - PSAT

OCTOBER 20 – EARLY DISMISSAL (12 PM)

OCTOBER 28 - END OF FIRST MARKING PERIOD



EXPRESSION OF THE MONTH

"manger sur le pouce"

(to eat hastily, to eat on the go)

Literal translation: to eat on the thumb

Example: Il a mangé sur le pouce parce qu'il était en retard pour son rendez-vous.

