

# ASEICA NEWSLETTER

Association pour le Soutien de l'Enseignement International sur la Côte d'Azur



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March 19<sup>th</sup>**

'Un geste pour  
la planète'

## Collège Speech Contest

This year's ASEICA four schools' speech contest was held on Wednesday 16th December at the CIV. The contestants were 11 candidates from Collège César, CoIV, Eganaude and Niki de St Phalle. They had been chosen from competitions held in their own schools in early December and, unexpectedly and unusually, this year the finalists were all girls:

- Ellen Hall (CoIV)
- Alanah Cuny (CoIV)
- Sibylle Cheynet (CoIV)
- Alix Jego (Eganaude)
- Anaïs Rubsamén (Eganaude)
- Kimberly Cronin (César)
- Emily Cart-Grandjean (César)
- Amandine Gorge (César)
- Mia Challiner (NSP)
- Ana Pirenack Marrs (NSP)
- Juliette Chartier (NSP)



They spoke on the subject "Everyone needs a favorite place" for three minutes and produced excellent speeches as vast in content as Grafton Street, Dublin, my own body, Planet Earth and the toilet! The three judges, Mrs Bateman, Ms Edgar and Mr Pitton (visiting from the United

States) had no easy job deciding on the winners, but finally awarded first prize to Amandine Gorge from Collège César with runners-up Ellen Hall (CoIV), Juliette Chartier (Niki de St Phalle) and Sibylle Cheynet (CoIV). Congratulations to all four of them. There is unfortunately no International Speech Contest for them to continue on to this year, but we hope it will be reinstated in 2016-17. Well done to all our students who prepared speeches and took part in the contest at class, school and four-school level and thank you to the

teachers, collège coordinators and members of the school administrations who held competitions or helped judge. We are proud to be helping so many of our young people become confident public speakers.



Karen Jones  
ASEICA Head of Collège English



## News from Guidance

This year, 168 students have been actively seeking help to get their dossiers sent out by the January deadline to universities in the UK, the US, Canada, Holland, Spain, China and Australia. We have already had positive responses from the Rotterdam School of Management in Holland, McGill University in Canada, Glasgow, Bath, King's Collège, Warwick, City, Exeter, Manchester, Bristol, Surrey, Reading, Royal Holloway, Aberdeen, Queen Mary, Imperial, UCL, Leeds, East Anglia, Liverpool, Newcastle, Sussex, Nottingham Trent, University of the Creative Arts, Durham, Kent in the UK, and New York University in Shanghai.

What is equally impressive is the range of subjects the students are applying for. These include Aerospace Engineering, Biomedical Science, Law, History, Drama and Acting, Maths, Physics, Finance, Business Management, International Relations, Politics and History of Art, Liberal Arts and Sciences, Physiotherapy, Psychology, Sports Science, Nutrition and Dietetics, Mechanical Engineering and Chemistry.

Many students from Première and Terminale came to the 6th Alumni Evening in December, to meet ex students from the CIV who talked about their particular institutions. Some of the universities represented were Cambridge, Warwick, Sussex, Reading, King's, Exeter, Loughborough, McGill, Toronto, Duke and NYU Shanghai amongst others, and it was lovely to see students so delighted with their experiences abroad, enthusing those who are beginning their own preparations for the future. You can see from the pictures (p.3) that a lot of talk was going on!

There are changes again this year in the various application processes.

Concordia has revamped its online application form, reducing the number of documents required. McGill has changed the way it accredits the Math and Science components of the OIB, so Biological Sciences and Engineering degrees require up to four years now for completion of the Bachelor degree. US universities are allowing students to choose One Early Action and Two Early Decision places now, as well as regular admission, and some are no longer demanding SAT tests. For the first time ever, PSAT results are now arriving electronically, with paper copies coming later.

Holland is beginning to increase the fees at a number of institutions, so plan on €3,900 a year now for the popular University Colleges. Many universities in Scotland are having to reduce the number of EU students they accept, as they are subsidized by the Scottish Government, whilst some English universities are making more places available. Expect further fee increases for the UK as of 2017!

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**This is the time for Première students and parents to be making individual appointments with the Guidance Team to start planning entry to university in autumn 2017.**



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We like as many students as possible to know what subject they want to study, in which country, by the end of this school year so they can begin any test practice, wider reading, work experience, personal statements and motivation letters before they enter Terminale.

At the Information Evening on 22 January, I invited Première students to attend workshops on the different processes involved in applying to universities abroad.

**The dates of these are the following. From 18.00 to 19.00, in the Guidance office:**

**Wed 27 January:** Oxford, Cambridge, Imperial (Math and Biomedical Sciences)

**Wed 3 February:** US universities

**Thurs 4 February:** Medicine and Veterinary Medicine

**Wed 24 February:** Studying Law

**Wed 2 March:** Studying in Canada

**Thurs 3 March:** Studying in Holland

And so the cycle begins again! I look forward to meeting students from Seconde after the February break, and there will be an information evening for parents and students in Seconde in the not too distant future. ■

Lesley Scales

## Alumni Evening

Some thirty students from Paris, London, Edinburgh or Montreal attended the 'Alumni' meeting on December 18th 2015. For some of them, like Sam, member of an English university football team, it was difficult to think that only six months ago he was a student at the CIV. Others, like Judith in her 2nd year at Duke, a prestigious American university, explained that she could study both medicine and drama at the same time. Philippe spoke about the double French/German course at Sciences Po Nancy. Simon was wearing a scarf in the colours of Cambridge University, and Nathan spoke about his life on the brand new campus of Shanghai NYC. As in previous years, Ms. Scales was there to welcome the students and one of our English teachers was moved to meet one of his ex-pupils who now studies English Literature. Beyond the pleasure of seeing each other again, our pupils engaged in a friendly yet serious discussion with '1<sup>ere</sup> and Tale' students. Our 'lycéens' were able to ask all sorts of questions about their future student life. RDV next year for the students graduating in 2016. ■

Béatrice Van Hoffelen Courel





## The CIV Welcomes Our Oceania Exchange Students

Last June, 31 ASEICA Seconde students left for Australia and New Zealand for a six-week exchange. They all had a memorable time. Six months later, it was their turn to welcome their correspondents into their homes over the Christmas holidays. This year's theme was The Mediterranean and Technology.

Together with the Lycée, ASEICA had prepared a busy program for the incoming 'Océaniens': the students attended special tailor-made classes, given by Lycée teachers that were adapted to their level of French as well as visits to the CIV telescope and seismograph. Twice a week, the group went on day excursions to the Riviera's favorite spots: they took part in a rally in the old town of Antibes, they discovered the rich wildlife of the Mediterranean at the Musée Océanographique in Monaco, and they made their own perfume at the Perfume Museum in Grasse.

In keeping with the theme, they also had the opportunity to attend workshops in Sophia, at Thales Underwater Systems and the INRIA. At Thales, students had breakfast, watched a video that explained all about sonar and visited simulators. At INRIA, they saw various situations of applied mathematics.

However, the overriding sentiment that seems to be shared by most families is the wonderful experience of taking part in an exchange, of sharing six weeks of life in another person's home, living day-to-day family life. We have received many emails expressing this : "the departure for the airport was a little difficult, and our teenagers will treasure these memories for a very long time." ■

Marijke Bryden



## Variety Show

Once again, Ms McGrath and Mr Duffy would like to congratulate and thank all the Lycée students who participated in December's Variety Show. There were excellent performers and presenters and also excellent Tech Crew students, running the show on both evenings.

It is always a great pleasure to see commitment and talent in our students; the audience members were extremely impressed.

We have to remember the power of music, lyrics, dance, etc. These forms of artistic expression have a real effect on an audience. Bravo to all students who were involved and many thanks also to our dear and reliable student ticket sellers! ■

Kathryn McGrath





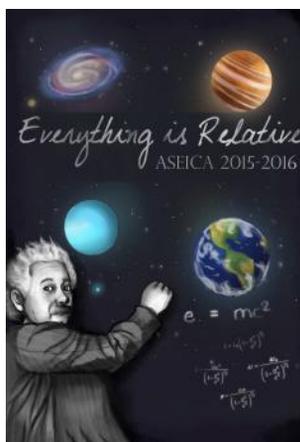
# Yearbook Cover Contest

We are pleased to announce/congratulate the winners of this year's cover contest.

Yearbook 2015-2016:  
"Everything is Relative"

Cover: **Josefine KLINKER** (2<sup>nde</sup> LIV)  
and on the back **Salomé CHOKRON** (T<sup>le</sup>LIV)

There were some very fine entries this year. We notice some of the same students trying and improving their design skills each year. Well done and thank you to all involved! Short-listed covers (in miniature) will be featured on a two-page spread like last year, but we may also find a way to incorporate their designs elsewhere in the book.



### Runners-up (in alphabetical order):

- Lily Bohanne 2<sup>nde</sup>11 LIV
- Arthur Camara 4<sup>eme</sup>D Eganaude
- Raphael Eliez 1<sup>ere</sup>S6 LIV
- Mathilde Guasch 3<sup>e</sup>2 CIV
- Lily Hill 4<sup>eme</sup> 3 CIV
- Claire Lacoume 3<sup>eme</sup>F Eganaude and
- Adhara Martellini 3<sup>eme</sup>2 au CIV
- Elisa Malnoë 3<sup>eme</sup>2 César
- Elea Olsson 6<sup>°</sup>4 CIV
- Aline Pottier 6<sup>ème</sup>1 CIV
- Hélène Ribault 1<sup>ère</sup> S6 LIV
- Romain Roger-Brua Eganaude 6<sup>e</sup> D
- Maxence Trap TS2 LIV
- Mathilde Weihrich 5<sup>eme</sup>2 CIV

Designs were displayed (without names/classes) in the ASEICA office and voted on by 27 members of the teaching and administrative staff. Thanks ■

Ms Syran, for the Yearbook Team

## Cinema & Theatre

All shows in CIV cinema.  
All start at 19h30 EXCEPT Primary ones which start at 17h30.

A buffet, thanks to Board members and parents, is served before the Collège shows and during the intervals. Same for Lycée play.

Pygmalion, with some My Fair Lady songs  
Lycée play:

- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> 19h30
- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March 19h30
- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> 13h00



6<sup>ème</sup> and 5<sup>ème</sup> Collège plays:  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May



4<sup>ème</sup> and 3<sup>ème</sup> Collège plays:  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May



First Primary show 4 plays:  
Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May  
Second Primary show also 4 plays:  
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June

