

ASEICA NEWSLETTER

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



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**Registration
Deadline**
18th April

International Day

Once again, this key moment in our calendar was a great success! The theme 'Un geste pour la planète' mobilized pupils, parents, teachers and eight associations: Aspesie (Spanish), Aprodesi (Italian), Asi-Chine, Section russe and Apeg (German), Aseica, CIVert and Maison des Lycéens. More than €3 000 were collected to support eco projects in our schools as well as for the charity.

The directors of the schools were also present and Mr Petit, Proviseur of the CIV welcomed and thanked all participants and visitors for their engagement.

More than 400 visitors enjoyed the rich program: exhibition of student work, workshops, MUN debates, songs and dances, a spelling bee contest, a raffle, a tombola and last but not least the international buffet of Asian, Italian, German and Russian specialties, Spanish paella, US BBQ, Cake and tea room.

More pics and details on page #2-3 and 4.



Registration 2016/2017

Your children's ASEICA re-registration procedure is available on your personal webpage on www.scolinfo.net. We sent you an email with your login information. Complete applications must be signed, and sent by post mail or dropped in our mailbox by the ASEICA entrance in the hallway of the CIV Agora building.

Registration files sent by email will NOT be accepted. The deadline for returning the file is Monday April 18th.

The Administrative & Financial Department
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Board note (to be continued p.2)

Dear members,

Spring is as ever a busy time and your association's hive is heaving budget preparation and registration files for September, administration team

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Board note

... organization, application for renewal of our official accreditation with the Rectorat, Exchange program for Seconde students, International day, web site updates... are some of the main activities that keep us busy.

Since the AGM, Kristine Cioffi has taken on Board associates, Véronique Revel stepped up to the Board, along Xavier Allard. Johanna Hardy and Vincent Pottier joined as Board associate. New volunteers have also become more involved... Thank you for your energies! Warm thanks to our previous Board Secretary, David Djian for his commitment and to Joy Asso who also left since the AGM.

International Day was a great example of all sections getting together, as well as superb initiatives by all involved. It's a great example for our students to work all together in a very convivial way! Bravo to everyone!

If you think we are a small and closed club, you are wrong. If you are ready to help, our meetings are open. Try it, you might like it. ■

Your dedicated Board

Direct link to our website page dedicated to the members of the Board.

<http://www.aseica.org/page1002/page1029/page1037.en.htm>

CIVert

The CIVert sustainable development project was presented by a group of students from 2nde from the CIV during International Day. This initiative concerning waste sorting allowed to:

- . collect cans: 2 dustbins were filled with empty cans mostly by children who were rewarded with sweets.
- . sort bottles and plastic cups using the green dustbins placed by the stalls and other garbage in the black dustbins.



- . increase young peoples' awareness by exhibiting recycled objects such as a scooter, as well as a presentation on garbage sorting and a film.
- . offer children the opportunity to fill in a questionnaire on their present behavior and their ideas for bettering this.

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CIVert (continued)

. present a kitchen composter, based on the idea of SVT teachers Mr and Mrs Dargent,

. make available wooden toys and collect funds. Many thanks to the young people involved in this project which will be rolled out at the CIV in 2016 and 2017 with the participation of teachers, administrative staff and partners. And thanks to all the children who played the game with their positive comments and their implication in the waste sorting during this special day. ■



Véronique Revel and Béatrice Courel





Primary Pupils on Stage 🎵🎵🎵

Yet another success for the primary team, thanks to their choice of the song Space Oddity by David Bowie and the young singers' talent.

Parents were impressed and moved and... so I was!

Eleanor Roberts Picq

Sartoux Primary School was represented by the classes: CP, CE1, CE2, CM1, CM2

Trois Collines Primary School was represented by the classes: CP, CE1-CE2, CM1-CM2





News from the Guidance

Some good news to start with: Loren Moller was selected to attend the Junior Advisory Board, all expenses paid, at the IE University in Segovia this April. There were over 300 entrants for a handful of places, so congratulations to her as she goes to Spain to discuss education from a student's point of view and becomes an ambassador for Aseica!

I shall be visiting ESADE, the prestigious Spanish Business School, in Barcelona in the spring break. The four year Bachelor of Business Administration is a high powered course for strong students who want to be taught in English but learn Spanish at the same time, together with German or French as a second foreign language. The seventh semester is spent abroad in a partner university such as Copenhagen Business School; Cornell; the University of Texas at Austin; UBC in Canada; Pontificia in Chile; Otago in New Zealand or the National University of Singapore.

Our students are certainly travelling further afield these days.

One student already has a conditional offer for UNSW in Sydney, starting in February 2017; one has an offer for the Shanghai campus of New York University; one has an offer from Cal Poly in California, another from Boulder, Colorado.

We have a good number of offers from McGill and Concordia in Canada and a great spread of offers for the UK, the Netherlands and from Bocconi in Milan.

The Dutch Universities have indicated that they will be bringing forward their deadlines next year to 15 January, in common with the UK and McGill, so students already beginning to think about going to study in Holland need to make an appointment with Guidance around mid-October to get started on the application process. Even better – come along in May or early June to discuss possibilities.

The British University Fair was attended by our Première students in early March. Much good advice about the admissions process was given, together with prospectuses from the 11 unis represented – and a lot of good, British humour. There was a real buzz about universities after the event and an increase in requests for appointments. At the time of writing, we have 85 dossiers underway for Première students wanting to go abroad to study. I will be reminding them in May to ask for recommendation letters from three Première teachers. They should not be asking for these before May.

Students thinking of the US for higher education should be considering when to take SAT tests and booking places for these.

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May and June have test dates this academic year, then the cycle begins again in October, with the last session for reporting results in November.

It's vital to practice before taking these tests, especially as they now have a new format, similar to the PSAT taken here in October: see satpractice.org.

Most students will also have to take the TOEFL test, so that, too, needs to be scheduled, remembering that it's only valid for two years: see ets.org.

We are now officially in the third trimester of the current academic year as we hurtle towards the Bac, hoping for another bumper crop of results. Students will soon be in a position to accept their offers and start applying for student loans or study visas, where needed; choose their residences, and get cracking on the pre-session reading lists for their chosen university! ■

Lesley Scales



Pygmalion - Lycée Theatre

Mr Duffy, Ms McGrath and Ms Yuill would like to take this opportunity to congratulate, praise and thank the "Pygmalion" performers and tech students for their outstanding work and commitment. The show was a success thanks to the 39 talented students involved.

A special mention for Thomas McGrath (NOT Ms McGrath's son!) in Tle who was awarded the theatre prize this year. In "Pygmalion" he played Professor Higgins and has wonderfully pulled off various roles over the years, including that of Macbeth two years ago. Thomas is currently applying to universities in England to study drama. Another special mention for William Stevens, also in Tle, who played Colonel Pickering. William has NEVER missed being in an ASEICA show since CP! "Pygmalion" was his 12th show! In "Macbeth" he played Banquo.

Congratulations to Pauline McGrath (sister of Thomas) in 2nde; she was a brilliant Eliza Doolittle; it is a very challenging role for a 2nde student. ■

Mr Duffy: technical director
Ms McGrath and Ms Yuill: artistic directors



Pygmalion – The Review!

★★★★★

What an absolutely 'ripping' time we all had, at the recent Lycée show, Pygmalion! George Bernard Shaw's comedy/social critique has stood the test of time and our ASEICA Lycée students certainly did it justice. The lines were delivered with the appropriate 'twinkle in the eye', the onstage relationships were highly credible and the often busy scenes were masterfully choreographed. The costumes were as visually stunning as ever and 'Tech Crew' had obviously invested many loving hours into the creation of a realistic and atmospheric set. What a delightful step back in time!

Particularly enjoyable scenes were Eliza's inappropriate yet earnest revelation, that "they done the old woman in" along with the emotionally-controlled guests at the deliciously understated 'Embassy Ball'.

How marvelous to see these young people invest so much, in sharpening their acting skills, working as a team, developing their confidence and perhaps even paving the way for their future (we're all rooting for you, Thomas!)

Events such as these, remind us of how dedicated ASEICA is to developing the all-round education of our young people – an education which is second to none. Truthfully, one of the best school plays I have ever seen. Actors, crew and producers, we salute you!

■

Mrs Venon



Shakespeare Lives!



To celebrate the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death on 23rd April 1616, the ALMA is screening *The Tempest* one of his best loved plays. This is a performance from The Globe theatre in London that was filmed in 2013. Roger Allam plays the role of Prospero.

The screening will be on Thursday 21st April at 6:30pm at the ALMA cinema in the CIV.

Given that it is a school night, we hope this earlier time will encourage families to come: the play is a little under 3 hours including the interval, so will be finished by 9:30pm. As with all theatre screenings, it will be in English with English subtitles.

Tickets:

12 € non members

8 € adult members

5 € student members/groups

For more information, contact:

almantlive@orange. ■



Galette Summer Camps 2016

This year on January 28th the "Galette summer camps" event was held at the CIV's Agora espace forum. It was organized by the ASEICA and supported by the international sections: APRODESI, ASI-Chine, ASPESIE and APEG.

Parents and students of the international section of the CIV, the "Collège César, Niki de St Phalle and the Collège de l'Eganaude as well as primary sections got together for an informal meeting while enjoying the traditional *galette des rois*. We had invited a wide and varied range of organizations and federations of accredited bodies offering a maximum of guarantees to parents and having a confirmed international culture of long stay linguistic trips, camps, or long, high quality exchanges.

Present were The Camp Experts & Teen Summers (www.campexperts.com), Calvin-Thomas (www.calvin-thomas.com), STS (www.sts-education.com/france/), Terre des Langues (www.terredeslangues.com), UCLA (<http://summer.ucla.edu/>).



Brochures were also available for the organizations pour les organismes OSEF (www.osef-echanges.com) et Nacel & CLC (www.nacel.fr & www.clc.fr). Numerous exchanges between participants and organization representatives were possible during a two-hour period. The event was a great success, representatives of the organizations spoke with parents. The participants appreciated the proposed format and all the brochures were given out.

Green bags were also distributed for the cans and plastic cups as well as posters thanks to students of the "2nde" in the context of the CIVert project to sort the CIV waste. The different sections were easily able to sort the waste and deposit the green dustbin bags in the containers at the bus stop.



A big thank you to ASEICA members, especially Joanne and Kristine as well as the volunteer parents. Our intention is to renew this kind of event next year.....
Dear readers, if you wish to meet with a particular organization at this time, please contact your association. ■

Véronique Revel