



## The News

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After the Australian "betrayal", France has bounced back with a new military contract which has just been signed this morning with Greece. The order by the government in Athens is for 3 frigates in a contract worth €5 billion. It is a "testimony of confidence and a demonstration of the quality of the French offer", declared President Emmanuel Macron.

Jean-Michel Blanquer has today announced the launch of a new health protocol in primary schools with the objective being to limit classroom closures. It will be tested from next week, initially in around ten départements, as explained by the Minister of National Education.

This protocol aims to test all the students in a class in case there is suspicion of Covid-19. According to Jean-Michel Blanquer, the number of classes which have been forced to close is "below 2000".

There is anger among French psychologists today as they demonstrate across the country to contest government measures which threaten their profession. Emmanuel Macron may announce later today that fees for mental health care sessions should be set at €22 per half hour, less than the current €50 per half hour. This new fee is considered disproportionate by psychologists.

Who will represent environmentalists in the presidential elections? Online votes for the second round of the Greens primary end today. Yannick Jadot, who came first in the first round, is up against Sandrine Rousseau. The results will be known this afternoon at 5.30.

And finally to football where PSG plays tonight in the Champions League at the Parc des Princes. Manchester City had eliminated the Parisians in the semi-final last year. Kick off is at nine o'clock.