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After several weeks of debates, the Paris Criminal Court will deliver its decision this morning in the Bygmalion case. Former President of the Republic Nicolas Sarkozy is accused of excessive spending during his 2012 presidential campaign. The prosecution has requested 1 year in prison, including 6 months of it suspended.

Masks will no longer be compulsory in primary schools in 47 departments. The list of these territories below the alert threshold was published this morning. The measure will be lifted on Monday. However, the measure remains in force in the Île de France, Alsace, and in Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur, where the coronavirus is still actively circulating.

At the same time, the Sanitary Pass is now compulsory for adolescents. From today, minors between 12 and 17 years old must show their pass to go to the cinema, restaurant, or to the gym.

Jean Castex will this evening announce measures to preserve the purchasing power of the French to cope with the increase in energy prices. This morning, the Minister for the Ecological Transition, Barbara Pompili, confirmed a new increase in gas prices in November and electricity prices by 12% in February.

Consumer prices in France will be increased by 2.1% over 1 year in September as a result of a provisional estimate published this morning by INSEE. The price increase was driven by services and energy, while that of manufactured products, food, and tobacco has slowed, said the National Institute of Statistics in a press release.

Eight months after its adoption by the deputies, the bill to fight against animal abuse arrives today in the Senate. The text provides for measures to curb compulsive purchasing of pets, which are often then abandoned.