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Today marks almost a year since the teacher Samuel Paty was assassinated in Conflans Saint Honorine. Paty was killed on October 16, 2020 after showing his pupils pictures of cartoons of Muhammed during a lesson. A year after the tragedy that shocked and confused France, a day of tributes lies ahead. This afternoon, a minute's silence will be observed in all teaching establishments, and there will be time set aside for all teachers and pupils to talk about what happened. Tomorrow, Jean Castex and Emmanuel Macron will be meeting with Paty's family.

Following the death of Hubert Germain this week, this afternoon at Invalides Emmanuel Macron will lead tributes to the man who was the last living companion of the Order of Liberation. Hubert Germain dies aged 101. He will be buried at Mont Valérien on November 11.

While the covid situation is not currently of grave concern, this week has seen the incidence rate stagnate in nearly a third of French départements. Plus, according to Public Health France, some areas have even had an increase in cases, including Lozère de la Creuse and Gers.

The former Prefect of the Loire Atlantique has been indicted for manslaughter. The investigation continues into the death of Steve Maia Caniço, the 24-year-old man who fell into the Loire river during the 2019 Fête de la Musique in Nantes. A controversial police operation is said to have led to Steve's death. The police commissioner in charge of the operation was also indicted.

And finally to football and today is the start of day 10 in the Ligue 1. Paris plays at home to Angers this evening at the Parc des Princes. Kick-off is at 9 p.m.