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Wearing a mask is no longer mandatory in most indoor spaces. You are now no longer required to wear a mask at the office, in school or in shops. The government decision has been maintained despite the slight rise in cases over the past few days. Wearing a mask is still mandatory in public transport and in health facilities. The vaccine pass is also no longer required to gain entry to most public places, including cafes and restaurants. The pass is still needed for visiting hospitals and nursing homes.

As the war in Ukraine reaches its 19th day, Russian offensives have been intensifying, particularly in Kyiv and in towns near the capital. An American journalist, 50-year-old film-maker, Brent Renaud was shot dead by Russians yesterday in the town of Irpin. Meanwhile, at least 35 people died in a Russian strike which targeted a military base near the Polish border, in the region of Lviv to the west of the country.

At the start of this new week, negotiations will continue today between Kyiv and Moscow by video call. Although talks have failed so far, yesterday a Russian negotiator said they believed that progress was being made.

Thousands of people gathered in Bastia yesterday afternoon in solidarity with the incarcerated Corsican separatist, Yvan Colonna. Colonna is currently serving a life sentence for murder. He is still in a coma after being violently attacked by another prisoner in Arles. Yesterday saw some clashes between activists and the police, which led to some sixty people sustaining injuries.

The search for the body of Delphine Jubillar continues today in the Tarn. The former nurse went missing in December 2020. The next few days will see the latest in drone technology fly over the town of Cagnac-les-Mines to try to find her. Cédric Jubillar, Delphine's husband, is still charged with her murder. Another request for his release will be examined tomorrow by the Toulouse Court of Appeal.

And finally, the Hérault still on orange alert for the risk of flooding this morning. The rising water levels of the river Orb are being closely monitored.