



The News

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Be careful if you plan on taking the train during the Christmas weekend. Disturbances are to be expected in stations. Sud-Rail and the CGT have maintained their strike notices while leaving the choice to controllers to join or not the movement. The SNCF initiated action by talking about degraded traffic from Friday. The railway company stated that travelers will know tomorrow evening at the latest whether their train is canceled or not on Friday. The exchange and refund of tickets will be free, as announced by the SNCF.

Also in the news: We must wear a mask in closed spaces, says Elisabeth Borne. The Prime Minister asks for solidarity, without making this safety precaution mandatory. She explains that she wants to fight the triple epidemic of bronchiolitis, covid and flu which complicates the work of health workers.

The risk of power cuts is receding for January. Tensions on the network will be less strong than expected according to RTE, which lowered its alert level to 'medium', against 'high' previously. This rather favorable forecast is mainly explained by the good behavior of the French. Electricity consumption has indeed fallen by 9% over the last 4 weeks, according to the network manager.

And to finish, there is quite an event in Belgium: An exhibition entirely devoted to Johnny Hallyday opened its doors today in Brussels, 5 years after the death of the singer. It will then arrive in Paris, Porte de Versailles, from January 2024.