



The News

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President Emmanuel Macron also returned to school yesterday. The Head of State gave an interview with the videographer Hugo Décrypte on TikTok and said that he was in favour of experimentation and an evaluation of the wearing of uniforms or similar, at school. The President of the Republic also justified the ban, as decided by his government, on the wearing of the abaya in schools, and declared his support for the idea of unlimited subscriptions to regional trains.

After the start of the school year yesterday, Gabriel Attal recognized difficulties concerning the shortage of teachers. The Minister of Education was the guest of a daily newspaper yesterday evening. Without giving figures or more details he announced that there are difficulties in certain establishments in the country. Nevertheless, the rentrée “went better than last year” according to the minister.

Also in the news... the Arnault family, owner of the luxury group LVMH, will make a donation of €10 million to the charity, Restos du Coeur. The announcement came from Bernard Arnault himself yesterday. This is a very welcome bit of financial assistance into the charity pot to help people affected by financial difficulties, and which has announced that it will have to reduce the number of its beneficiaries this winter.

Staying with a similar story but with a different charity, the French Red Cross is about to launch an appeal for help. The association said yesterday that it was facing financial problems, largely due to the increasing number of people helped, as well as its operating costs. It is forecasting an overall deficit of between €45 and €50 million this year. This appeal comes just a day after the one launched by the Restos du Coeur.

And finally, the 100 sites selected for the sixth edition of the Loto du Patrimoine have been made public. The list was revealed yesterday by the heritage mission. Every year since 2018, it has joined forces with the Française Des Jeux for an operation involving special loto tickets, worth €15 each. The FDJ will offer dedicated draws until September the 16th, including a Super Loto on Friday the 15th.