



## The News September 5th 6pm© by Noele Bouazouni-Prier

He has made school his priority for this new school year. Emmanuel Macron has been making numerous trips on this theme for several days. He was today in a middle school in Orthez in the Pyrénées-Atlantiques, where the head of the State expressed his desire to renovate more than 40,000 educational establishments in ten years. 500 million euros will be released next year. He also announced the launch of a new plan to promote sports: 5,000 fields will be built in or near schools by the end of 2026.

156 million euros paid for food aid in 2023 were allocated by the government to support all the organizations which support the most vulnerable according to the Ministry of Solidarity. The budget has doubled in 3 years and many structures such as the Restos du Coeur or the Red Cross are currently experiencing major financial difficulties, especially due to inflation and the increase in beneficiaries.

Also in the news: Exceptional security measures were set up at the trial of Rédoine Faïd before the Paris courts. The repeat offender has been on trial since this morning for his spectacular escape by helicopter from the prison of Réau in July of 2018. 11 other people are also being judged. The defendants face up to 30 years in prison. The trial is expected to end on October 20<sup>th</sup>.

In Paris, a migrant camp was evacuated this morning under the Stalingrad metro station in the 10th arrondissement. Nearly 500 people, mainly Afghan nationals, lived there in very difficult conditions. They were taken care of and oriented to accommodation centers.

Abroad, a new disaster in Greece: Already affected by monster fires this summer, this time it is floods which are ravaging the country since yesterday. The torrential rains have caused at least one death. The victim was swept away by a torrent. In certain villages, the equivalent of a year's precipitation fell in only a few hours.

And then we now know the first selection of novels in the running for the prestigious Goncourt Prize. There are 16 of them. Editions Gallimard takes the lion's share with five books in competition.