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At least 22 schools will not be opening in Brittany today after the storms Ciaran and Domingos passed over the weekend. 13 of the schools are in Finistère. Eight départements remain on amber weather alert for flooding and the Hauts de France for rain and flooding.

When pupils across the country go back to school today after the holidays, they will be asked to complete a questionnaire that is meant to tell whether or not they are the victim of bullying. All the questionnaires are anonymous, and they are not compulsory.

The Minister of Education, Gabriel Attal was on channel TF1 last night to share his own experiences of bullying. He appeared on the programme "Sept à Huit" to explain how he was the victim of insults from the age 14-15 while he attended school in Paris. This bullying apparently continued when he entered politics.

Gérald Darmanin will be defending the new immigration bill to the Senate today. The bill sets out to be tough on foreigners who commit any offences and far more lenient on people who come to France to work. The government wants to create a new resident permit for foreign workers who are currently working illegally in sectors where there is high demand such as construction and hotels.

And finally, Eric Dupont Moretti will be in court from today. The Keeper of the Seals will appear before the Court of Justice of the Republic for the illegal taking of interests. The trial is due to last 10 days. He faces up to five years' imprisonment and a fine of 500,000 euros, as well as a ban on holding public office.