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Elisabeth Borne handed in her resignation to Emmanuel Macron last night and the President has accepted it. Macron took to X formerly known as Twitter to thank her for all her work. This means that as of last night, the Prime Minister's offices at Matignon are awaiting a new resident. There are several names currently doing the rounds as to who could be next, including the Minister of Education, Gabriel Attal. The announcement as to who will be the new Prime Minister is expected by the end of the day.

As the cold snap settles in across the country, today is expected to be the coldest day of the entire week, with no temperatures going above 3 degrees. Several of France's prefectures have now triggered the official plan for dealing with extreme cold. Five départements, Essonne, Yvelines, Eure, Calvados and Orne are on weather alert for snow this morning. More snow has fallen than was forecast. Flooding alerts remain in place in the North and Pas de Calais.

The Minister of the Ecological Transition, Christophe Béchu, is expected in Pas de Calais today. The minister is due to present the measures the government will implement to address the flooding that the département experienced last week. Conditions are currently improving with water levels diminishing. 500 millimeters of water have fallen in the département since mid-October compared to the usual 300.

And finally to football and the Coupe de France, the line-up has been finalised for the round of 16 as Marseille will play away to Rennes, Clermont will play at home to Strasbourg, Paris will play away to Orléans, Lyon play away to Bergerac and Nice will face Bordeaux. The round of 16 matches are coming up on the weekend of January 19th, 20th and 21st.