



## The News

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Emmanuel Macron has asked Gabriel Attal to launch a major public consultation on violence towards children. The type of consultation, known as a “Grenelle” has been previously used to address environmental matters. Today, on his 100<sup>th</sup> day in office, the Prime Minister will be delivering a speech on new measures to combat violence. Gabriel Attal will be speaking from Viry Chatillon in Essonne, where last week a 15-year-old was beaten to death.

The mother of little Emile, the two-year-old who went missing and whose remains were found in late March has addressed the public for the first time. She said that “We are very touched by your compassion”. The message came on social media. She went on to thank everybody who had donated to the fund to cover her son’s funeral costs. Emile went missing in July in Alpes de Haute Provence.

A man in his twenties has died at a construction site for a Futuroscope theme park in Vienne. He suffered a heavy fall on Monday. A double investigation has been opened, one with the gendarmes and the other with the Labor Inspectorate.

The prosecutor has recommended a year’s suspended prison sentence for Bruno Vandelli. The choreographer, who is best known for his work on the show Pop Stars, was tried yesterday alongside his ex-husband for corruption of a minor, by the Grasse criminal court. The judgment is due to be delivered on June 28<sup>th</sup>.

And finally, Europe will now impose sanctions against Iran, particularly targeting drone and missile producers in response to Iran's attack against Israel at the weekend.