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Yael Braun Pivet has been reelected as chair of the Assemblée Nationale after the third round. Yael Braun Pivet garnered 220 votes, ahead of communist André Chassaigne who managed 207 and Rassemblement Nationale representative Sébastien Chenu with 141.

A police officer has sustained a stab wound to the ear in a knife attack near the Champs Elysée. Store security staff called the police this afternoon after the suspect was spotted carrying a bladed weapon. He has now been neutralised according to Minister of the Interior, Gerald Darmanin.

The attack comes with just over a week to go until the start of the Olympic Games. Today saw two new security perimeters come into force on the banks of the Seine. One is completely closed, the other has restricted access requiring anyone entering there to show a QR code. The Olympic village has also welcomed its first batch of athletes today, at the height of the Games the village will play host to 14,000.

Three suspects remain at large in Nice after last night's arson attack that killed seven people, three of whom were children. Nice mayor Christian Estrosi says he has good reason to believe that the attack came as part of a settling of scores due to drug trafficking. The public prosecutor has indicated that the fire was set on the first, second and third floors of the building.

And finally, another very busy weekend lies ahead on France's roads. Tomorrow, the traffic website Bison Futé has forecast orange and red levels in the direction of departures, while Saturday is looking red red red for departures and even red for returns in the Auvergne Rhône Alpes and across a large north-west section of the country.