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Galettes and projects

Dear readers,
Welcome to the third edition of this year's Preschool journal.
This number covers the last two months of school. You will find the latest information about our current events and about our activities.
We hope you enjoy reading our paper as much as the team did in putting it together.
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The Chicks/Rabbits and Squirrels 3 and PK3&4 made beautiful crowns for the Galette des Rois

January – February outings, projects, workshops (p.2-4)

The children have been involved in lots of interesting activities related to our annual theme "Around the world".

The *Three Little Pigs* with the Squirrels 1&2

Miss Claire's Squirrels studied the *Three Little Pigs* story this term. This story helps students understand the value of hard work and perseverance, as seen in the pig who builds the brick house. It also introduces basic problem-solving skills and the concept of cause and effect. The repetition and simple structure make it easy for young children to improve their listening and language skills. The children enjoyed building the three houses and acting out the story.



A STEM project based on the *Three Little Pigs* allowed the Squirrels to explore engineering, problem-solving, and teamwork in a fun and hands-on way. By building houses from different materials, the children learned about structural strength, material properties, and design principles. This project encouraged creativity and curiosity while reinforcing important STEM concepts in an engaging way.

Au lit les Affreux ! with the Squirrels 1&2



Maîtresse Caroline introduced the importance of sleep with the book *Au lit les affreux* by Isabelle Bonameau. Through a theatrical project the story was brought to life in a magical way. Each child wore unique headwear to represent the different characters and enchanting music set the scene, the performance helped develop creativity, confidence, and language skills. Acting out the story reinforced comprehension while making it more interactive and enjoyable. This immersive experience not only deepened the children's appreciation for storytelling but also fostered teamwork and self-expression in a fun way.



Maîtresse Ghislaine and the PKs 1&2



As part of their study of monuments around the world, Maîtresse Ghislaine took the PKs 1&2 on an unforgettable experience. They visited the medieval castle of Villeneuve-Loubet. Dressed in costumes, they explored the castle's grand halls, towers, and fortifications while learning about its architectural features. A special highlight of the visit was the knighting ceremony, where some children were honored as young knights, bringing history to life in an exciting and immersive way. This hands-on adventure deepened their understanding of medieval history and architecture while making learning both fun and meaningful.

Science with the Pandas Koalas 1&2-3&4

On Monday 27th January, all the PK classes took part in a science afternoon animated by the students from the Collège /Lycée Lafayette which focused on the importance of water and protecting our oceans. Through hands-on experiments and interactive activities, they discovered how vital water is for life and learned about ways to reduce pollution and conserve this precious resource. This collaborative experience not only sparked curiosity and scientific thinking but also reinforced the importance of caring for our planet.



The PKs 3&4 are exploring our universe

Miss Meg is taking her class on an exciting journey through the solar system and around the Earth! Through interactive activities and engaging lessons, the children are exploring the planets, learning fascinating facts about space, and discovering the continents and countries that make up our world. This adventure is both fun and educational with hands-on projects and creative storytelling, sparking curiosity and a love for learning about our planet and beyond.



Art with the PK1&2

Miss Lizzie introduced her students to the marvellous book « *The Dot* ».

This book encourages kids to "Make your mark and see where it will take you!" Sir Ken Robinson once said, "Creativity is as important as literacy!"

This book teaches children to celebrate their creativity and helps them build confidence in their own abilities.

Students learn to see patterns, be more imaginative, be more generous in their interpretations, and develop open minds !



Maîtresse Ghislaine is taking her students on a tour around the world discovering the major monuments. The children are making beautiful reproductions of these famous sites.



Happy Chinese New-Year

