



Newsletter from the English Link Association at Le Caousou, Toulouse



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The English Link

The English Link Newsletter provides updates of the Association as well as giving parents and children details of work the children will be doing, have done and any events and news.

Aims of the English Link Association:

Working with English speaking children to help them achieve a high level of oral, reading, writing and comprehension.
We help the children reinforce their existing English skills with activities that are both enjoyable and challenging.
The children have an opportunity to gain pleasure and confidence using the English language, whilst we provide support in areas of weakness.

A word from your President.

I would like to thank those of you who joined us on Friday 27 May for our AGM and Garden Party, and especially to the parents who have volunteered to help us continue the English Link for our children.
Please remember that the English Link will not exist without the support from parents.
Watch this space for details of the new Bureau and the presentation from the AGM!
With kind regards
Catherine Souchard

English Classes with Sophie and Judith

This term we have continued our work on healthy eating. The younger ones have sorted healthy food from junk food, read all about how the seagulls try to steal Mr. Grinling's lunch, and the CPs have started learning to read in English, using the JollyPhonics method.

The older ones have analysed their eating habits. They started by logging everything they ate for a week, then counted up portions of the different food categories and compared that to the Eatwell plate. Some got a bit of a surprise! They have also written recipes and are filming their very own episodes of the "CE2 Healthy Eating Cooking Channel".

The CM2s wrote food raps: did you know that "carrot and yoghurt make you fly like a parrot"? You do now 😊 They have also written to Coca-Cola in response to a healthy lifestyle TV campaign they ran in the UK and we're avidly awaiting a response!

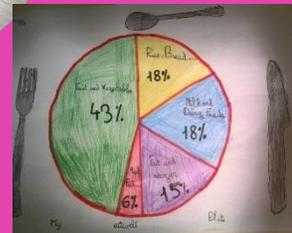
Maternelle with Judith

(Friday after school)

It is surprising how much energy the little ones have on a Friday evening! We have now got a fantastic group of 9 students spread over the 3 maternelle classes. They know the songs by heart, the exercise routine and are a bundle of fun to finish the week off. This semester we have learnt about jungle animals, animal sounds, the days of the week, parts of the body, sung a lot of songs, done a lot of dancing and read a lot of stories!



The Eatwell Plate



Check out our website:
www.englishlinkcaousou.fr

Watch out next year for exciting details of new activities for all the family.

Bookworms with Judith

(Monday lunchtimes)

Bookworms has evolved and while reading stories remains primordial every Friday lunchtime, the 5 strong personalities know what they want and certainly know how to have fun in English. We celebrated Capucine's birthday with English party games and found that there are some good little movers! They sometimes put on fancy dress and invent scenarios with the classroom toys; they draw pictures of their favourite characters from stories and also like word searches and mazes.



English Club with Matt

(Monday and Tuesday lunchtimes)

Well it's time for my contribution to the "spring" version of the English Link newsletter but as far as I can see, spring seems to be having a hard time getting off the starting block this year. I hope summer won't have the same trouble. Anyway, I digress.

Everything is going very well with the two groups, as always they're a pleasure to work with and I really enjoy the energy, motivation and good humour that they bring to every class.

We've done many different things over the past weeks such as quizzes, competitions, history, vocabulary games and much more. My main focus (as always) has been to work on activities which they enjoy, but can really challenge their English at the same time while not being boring. I hope they've all had as much fun as I have.

As parents, I'm sure you're all very eager to see some photos of the groups in all their glory, so I'll say no more and get on with the photos. Thanks for reading.



Look out for the email over the summer for details of sessions, activities and how to register for 2016/2017.

Wishing you all a great holiday!

THE THEATER COMPANY presents
Into Our Childhood

Saturday 4 June 2.30pm

Theatre Jules Julien, Toulouse

Monday 20 June 5pm

Orangerie, Caousou, College

The Theatre Company with Aude (College Fridays 4.30-6pm)

Well done to the group for passing the audition for the Festival de Théâtre International de Toulouse. 'Into Our Childhood', is about famous tales, which are twisted and gives an opportunity for the Company to perform different characters. They are very lucky to have this opportunity to perform in real professional conditions! Break a leg!! **Théâtre Jules Julien: Saturday 2 June at 2.30pm.**

On Stage with Aude (Primary Thursdays after school)

The group will perform a Roald Dahl play that takes place in the Jungle: 'The Enormous Croc!' Mathis O'Donoghue is doing a one kid show! He is doing all the characters in The Wimpy Kid! It is absolutely brilliant!

Kids Club with Judith

(Thursday lunchtimes)

What can I say about the most excitable bunch of 13 kids that exists?! They're energetic, noisy, fun and that's what our Thursdays are all about. We have had dance offs, party games, drama activities, the Dragibus Tower Challenge made yet another comeback (due to popular demand)! Then there are days where they all want to do their own thing and little groups set up playing board games, drawing pictures, jigsaws, designing wedding dresses (!) or simply make-believe stories with the box of toys! It's a pleasure to see such a big group of mixed ages and personalities get together and socialise in English.

We'll definitely have an end of year Kid's Club party but sssshhhh....



ON STAGE! Presents
Diary of the Wimpy Kid
and
The Enormous Croc.
Thursday 9 June 4pm
Gymnase, Le Caousou,
Primaire

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