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LOCK-DOWN ESSENTIALS

What essentials did you stock up on during the quarantine? The 3rd graders chose 10 items that were absolutely essential to them during this period. Have a look!



THANK YOU TEACHERS!

Our parents found a nice way of thanking
their children's teachers:

Personal messages to Anshu and Audrey
from their Pre-Kindergarten students.

[Press here to view their video](#)

A photo montage of the language support
classes with Anjali and her batch of
elementary students.

[Press here to view their montage](#)

Cute videos indeed!





BRAVO !

Our three 12th grade students, Séraphin, Mayeul and Axel, have successfully obtained their baccalaureate. The pedagogical team is very proud of their achievements and wishes them fulfilment and success in their higher education. One chapter ends, another begins with some great adventures in store for them. Good luck boys, keep up the good work and stay on track.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Even during lock-down, it is always possible to please your mother with a beautiful handmade bouquet.

The middle-schoolers experimented with several collage techniques, color pencils, watercolor, photo-editing...

The first grade students also gifted their moms with a 3D model, their perspective of mother's love.



SIGHT WORDS

Sight words are commonly used words that young children are encouraged to memorise as a whole by sight, so that they can automatically recognise these words in print without having to use any strategies to decode.

You can see the Junior KG children learning certain sight words with the use of play dough.



REACTION TIME

As part of her end-of-year science experimental project, Varvara, our 11th grader, decided to analyse how long it took us to react.

What are the different factors that determine the reaction time of individuals? To find an answer to her problem, Varvara sent an e-mail to the LFIM community asking volunteers to record themselves reacting to different signals she had selected.

To measure visual reaction time, she asked volunteers to jump when a partner turned on a flashlight.

To measure auditory reaction time, volunteers had to turn their back on their partner and jump once their partner shouted “Go!”.

After analyzing all the data received, Varvara was able to conclude that visual reaction time was not really age-dependent. Indeed, while it appeared that younger children had a higher average reaction time, older children and adolescents had the same relatively low reaction time. She also found that auditory reaction time was age-dependent and tended to increase with age.

Reaction time also depends on gender. In women, the auditory reaction time is faster. In men, the visual reaction time is shorter.

Finally, overall, auditory reaction time is faster than visual reaction time.

We congratulate Varvara who carried out this experiment all the way, thanks to the participation of many volunteers of all ages.





THE WEATHER CYCLE

The Junior and Senior Kindergarten students worked on the theme of the seasons during this last period, while learning about the weather and the changes you see in nature through the leaves of a tree. Some even used vegetable waste to create beautiful summer trees.



GRAPHIC DESIGN



Graphic design has been a way of communicating since ancient times and is also an art form. From the drawings of the Lascaux caves to pictograms and the different forms of writing, graphic design spreads a message, shows the elements of a culture. It is a way of representing something.

Inspired by Sol Lewitt, aboriginal art, African fabric design, Caetano De Almeida, Robert Smithson, Bharti Kher, Wassily Kandinsky, Jackson Pollock, Calder, New York City graffiti, Paul Klee, Andy Warhol and so many other artists, here is the graphic work of the 1st and 2nd graders.



AMRITA'S POEM

To all my first graders,
I wish you happiness and peace.

To all my second graders,
I wish you happiness and good health.

I wish you all a wonderful holiday,
To read, to play and to have a lot of fun.
It was my last year of school,
But probably the craziest!
A coronavirus prevented us from getting out,
But never stopped us from reading and writing.

Best wishes for the future,
Fair well with all my admiration.

To you Isavella, stay as friendly and confident as ever.
To you Simon, with friends and teachers you always glow.
To you Regina, always keep that smile and that self-confidence.
To the three of you, do not forget your French, which you have already mastered a little.

To you Thibault, continue to share humour, general knowledge and puns from Tokyo.
Over to you Daniel, I want you to know that you are exceptional.
To you Mustapha, trust yourself because you are great.

To you Hermance, keep that perseverance that will always bring you fortune.
To you Eline, hold on, hold on, hold on, because you are so great and so smart.

To you Heaston, for art you have a gift and you impress me, for reading I count on you to hold
on tight.

To you Anna, you are amazing, so have faith in your work and in yourself.

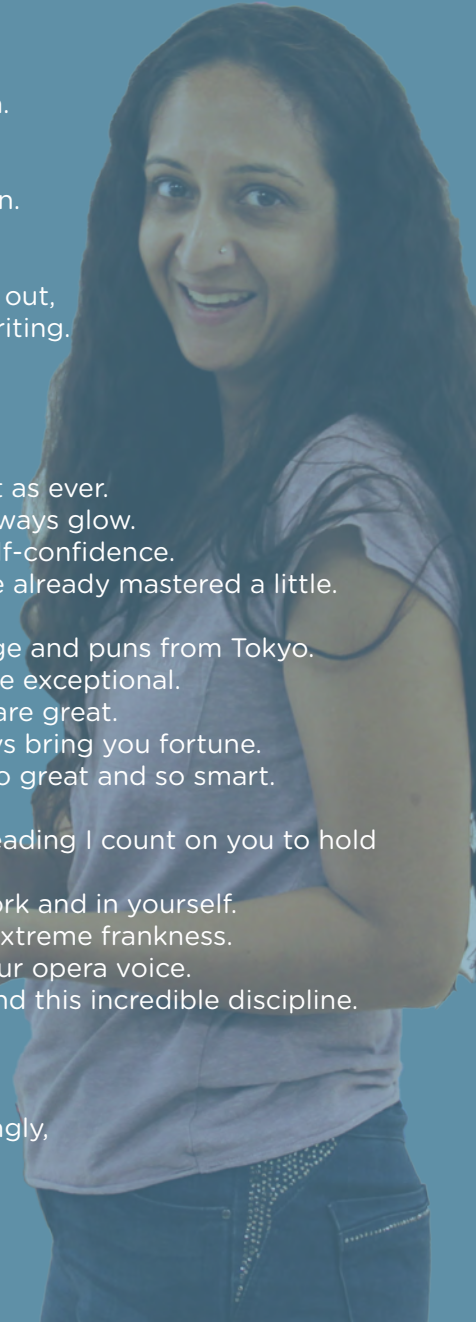
To you Louise, keep your passion for books and your extreme frankness.

To you Myra, always keep smiling and practising your opera voice.

To you Jasmine, maintain this extraordinary capacity for work and this incredible discipline.

To all you moms and dads
Who trusted me
And entrusted your children unsuspectingly,
I will not forget you.

See you soon!





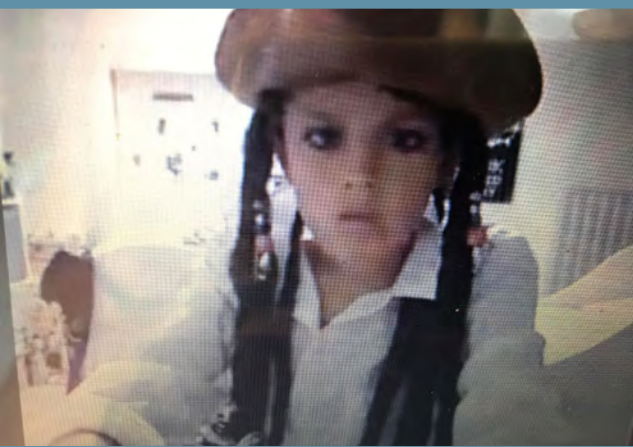
LAST CLASS

During the last day of school, our students and teachers spent some quality time together, a final meetup before the summer holidays begin!

The students of Kindergarten received the famous 'best class awards' followed by a few appetisers and conversation.

The Elementary school students took the opportunity to dress-up while the Higher Secondary school students seized the occasion to get together and photograph a Kodak moment.

To all the families who are leaving India for good, we wish them much happiness in their new destination. Dear children, dear parents, we will not forget you.



FAREWELL!

It is with great emotion that I take up the pen here to express a big thank you to Amrita, Anne, Thomas, Marion and Brett.

Brett chose to resume his studies in France after two wonderful years at LFIM. I wish him success and happiness in his new life and hope to see him again very soon in Mumbai, with his postgraduate diploma in hand.

Thomas and Marion also decided to return to France after two years in Mumbai. I would like to thank them from the bottom of my heart for the seriousness with which they accompanied their students during this period. Both will be sorely missed. I wish them a lot of happiness for the future and hope to see them again in another country, who knows?

Amrita told us she wants to take a break next year. She has spent many wonderful years at LFIM, has taught many students to read, and they will not forget “Leo and Lea”, the dictations of words, sentences, numbers on the interactive whiteboard. They will always remember the board of activities they had to check off, like grown-ups, once the work was done. Amrita has given a lot to our school, I wish her happy moments with her family.

And finally, art will no longer be the same without Anne who returns to France after four years in India. When I reread the Gazettes of the last two years, I can only admire the magnificent works that her students have produced: the Rangolis of Diwali, the vases and flowers for Mother’s Day, the works of the Franco-Indian workshop when the young girls from an underprivileged neighbourhood came to France... Anne always has beautiful projects in mind, I know that she will always remain true to herself, wherever she is. Good luck Anne, we will miss you!

- Valérie

