

FRENCH NETWORK MEETING

TERM 3 THURSDAY 9 AUGUST 2018

between 4 and 6 pm at L'Alliance Française, 66 McCaughey St, Turner ACT 2612

Attendees: Lena Britton, Sonia Conte, Myriam Davies, Clare Douglass, Maria Giannini, Peggy Halas, Marie Lancaster, Isabelle Lange, Alex Mihnea Moiescu, Sada Ramsamy, Prudence Roveta, Kassem Saikal, Coreen Sauriol, Chhaya Sood, Natalie Stewart, Frances Szeremet, Elena Vasilef

Apologies: Camille Landy, Mary Thorpe,

MINUTES OF MEETING

1. Presentation by Anais Garrigues, Deputy Director at Alliance Française

What is on at the Alliance?

The Alliance Française is inviting you to the ANU EMERGING ARTISTS EXHIBITION OPENING on **Thursday 16th of August 2018**. Free admission and artwork for sale. Wine and cheese buffet.

DELFDALF

The exams for DELF and DALF are organised by the Alliance, and there are courses preparing for it. For Secondary students interested in studying in France, they need to take the B2 diploma. The opening of registration for the exams is on Monday, the 24th of September. If you are interested in taking this exam for non-native French speakers, let me know. The Network has budgeted for a contribution towards the fees.

Your students may be interested in taking part!

EXAMS NOVEMBER 2018 SESSION

DELFD: A1 Wednesday 7 November

A2 Thursday 8 November

B1 Friday 9 November

B2 Monday 12 November

DALFD: C1 Tuesday 13 November

C2 Wednesday 7 November

Registration deadline: Monday 29 October

More information on the Alliance's website

<https://www.afcanberra.com.au/adult-courses/french-diplomas>

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IFProfs.org :

Please join the IFProfs.org which has been established as a platform for French teachers around the world by L'Institut Français. Anais is a moderator for the site.

Culturethèque

Discover Culturethèque, the francophone multimedia e-library in Australia. As a member of Alliance Française, there is free access to different current magazines, films,. You can get your sign-in from Mireille Hendy at the Library.

Conversation & Cooking class at 'Le très bon'

We are presently planning a Conversation and Cooking Class in Term 4. As it will be financially supported by the French Embassy and by the network, the cost will be reasonable.

Number of participants will be limited so read your emails. Places will be allocated on a 'First come, first served' basis.

Commemoration of 11/11/18

If your school has studied WWI, Flavie Coulbault at the French Embassy is happy to organise a military attaché to talk about the war with your classes in connection with the centenary.

2. Professional Learning sessions Term 3 and 4:

MLTA: Mini-conference Saturday 18 August

As per information sent last week.

ANU Second Language Learning 17-18 September

This two-day event features public lectures and masterclasses by some of the world's leading experts in language learning. It is a free event and registrations close Friday 17 August. I am attaching the Information again in the email with the Minutes.

2018 FATFA/NAFT Conference

Held at University of Sydney between 27 and 30 September, 2018 -

Registration for the Conference is open until 3 September. Details for the conference can be found by following this link:

<http://www.fatfa.net/fatfa-conference.html>

Gianfranco Conti

There is one more place to attend a workshop at Telopea Park School on Monday 12 November from 1:30 to 4:30. Let me know if you are interested.

'First come, first served'

Time needed to be set

- **PL Education Perfect Recording of students** – not pursued
Each school to organise their own PL with Education Perfect
- The **National Curriculum** and its implementation- by Veronique Canellas – not pursued
Some schools have already organised this during their PL Days
- Using Authentic Text - professional learning by the Alliance
Will be held in Term 3. No TQI Accreditation necessary. Suggesting a Wednesday after school.
- French art at the NGA
The MLTA is allocating resources to provide education material for art from France and French Speaking countries. The NGA is very positive to guiding students from the ACT schools and several teachers are organising this for their students.

3. New Educators support

The French network's representative to MLTA, Prue Roveta, is happy to provide support to new educators. Please contact her at prudence.roveta@ed.act.edu.au

4. Updating of contact details

Please let me know of any new French teachers in the ACT. It is very important that we keep our contact list up-to-date as this is a requirement for the financial support that we receive from the Directorate. There are also requests from schools needing relief and permanent teachers

5. Any other business

ACT Language Perfect Championship 27/8-3/9

Entry to the Regional Language Perfect Championships is free this year. Students are automatically registered if the school is already subscribed to Language Perfect. If they are not already subscribed, let them know to get in touch with us to register.

In terms of prizes, Language Perfect is offering \$100 pizza party to the top class in each state, and a \$20 randomly drawn spot prize for students with 500+ points. As it is the Top Class, the argument about how many students are subscribing in a school is not valid.

Please do make sure though that the parents have given permission for their child to use an outside webserver.

Canberra Academy of Languages

The CAL information evening will take place on 20 September from 6 pm at the Ainslie Arts Centre. French is one of the programs offered, so prospective Year 11 students are especially welcome. Of course, Year 12 students who would like to complete a minor in Continuing or Advanced French could also enrol for 2019.

Sector groups

We then divide into Primary and Secondary sectors for sharing of ideas, links and material

Primary Schools

French Poetry Competition

Please contact Prue or Myriam if you want to take part in this fun competition for Primary

Secondary Schools

Coreen Sauriol gave different ideas for excursions that she has organised at Alfred Deakin High School. La Crêperie Breizh has been very positive to having students coming and Bruno and his wife are happy for students to order in French. The galettes are gluten-free which is helpful with students' food intolerances

Coreen has also visited the shops in Curtin on excursion with her students.

Immersion Day/Transition to college

It would be great to have a day for the Year 10s to meet the Year 11-12s. If you are interested in your students taking part, please volunteer to help to organise the day. It is usually great fun!