Lifelong Learning Programme
It takes 78 hours and 7461km to travel across Europe from Donzère going to the partner schools: Macclesfield (England) then Grudziadz (Poland), Tivoli (Italy) and finally Ankara (Turkey).
Symbols of France

The flag

The French flag, blue, white and red, also called "tricolor flag", is the national emblem of the French Republic. Used for almost two centuries, it is mentioned in Article 2 of the French Constitution.

It is dated 1794 - designed by Jacques-Louis David (1748-1825) at the request of the Convention - but its origins are older and go back to the three colors of freedom (14 July 1789), identical to the three colors used by various French flags at the time of the Ancien Régime. The tricolor flag is the official flag of France, the official flag of the armed since 1812, except for the periods 1814-1815 and 1815-1830 Restoration.
Marianne

Marianne is the allegorical figure of the French Republic. Under the guise of a woman wearing a Phrygian cap, Marianne embodies the French Republic and is thereby the French republican values contained in the motto "Liberty, Equality, Fraternity."

La Marseillaise

Click **HERE** to listen La Marseillaise
National motto

Liberty, Equality, Fraternity comes from the French Revolution: it appears in the public debate before the proclamation of the First Republic in 1790.

French Rooster

It is often considered a national symbol of France, without having an official character.
France is a country that welcomes millions of visitors each year and many French choose to visit their own country during the holidays. France, a country with a temperate climate and millions of historical riches became the first favorite holiday destination for travelers. Indeed, France has thousands of historical sites that are worth visiting and thousands of different landscapes, each with its particular charm.

The Eiffel tower is the wonder of our country, it is located in Paris. It measures 324 meters. Its construction began in 1887 and ends in 1889. It is entirely made of metal.
Tourist places

**Versailles**: the castle is dated 1623. It is the residence of the former kings of France.

**The Louvre Museum** is the largest museum in Paris. It was built in 1793, that is a former royal palace. Now it is a work of art museum, we can find more than 35,000 artworks, including the Mona Lisa painted by Leonardo da Vinci (very famous).
**Tourist places**

**Disneyland** is located in Paris, it is the first attraction of France. It consists of several parks, including Adventureland, Fantasyland... There are also attractions to thrill as Rock'n'Roller...

**Beaubourg**, National Art and Culture Georges Pompidou center is a poly-cultural institution in the heart of Paris, an original cultural institution entirely devoted to modern and contemporary creation, where there are visual arts, books, design, music and cinema.
Tourist places

Around our town

**Nîmes arenas** have been built in the year 90 and ended in the year 120. It is an ancient Roman theater. Now it is still used for performances and festivals.

**The Millau Viaduct** is a cable stayed bridge over the Tarn Valley in the department of Aveyron, France. It crosses a gap of 2,460 meters long and 270 meters deep at the highest point in a high quality panorama with winds likely to blow over 200 km/h.
Tourist places

Around our town

The largest crocodile farm in the world!

The **crocodile farm** contains several species of animals and mainly crocodiles. It is located in Pierrelatte. With more than 300,000 visitors each year, the crocodile farm is the first attraction visited in the Drôme.
There are many French famous people in the world:

**André Ampère** (1775-1836) was a physicist and chemist and was the founder of electromagnetism. Death almost into oblivion, Ampère gave his name to the unit of electric current, the ampere.

**Pierre Curie** (1859-1906), born in Paris, is a French physicist. He is mainly known for his work in radioactivity, magnetism and piezoelectricity. His wife Marie Curie was Polish.

**Abbé Pierre** (1912-2007) was a French Catholic priest of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, resistant, then MP, founder of the Emmaus Movement, secular coorganization fighting against exclusion, including the Abbé Pierre Foundation for Housing disadvantaged and many other associations, foundations and companies in the social economy in France.

**Jeanne D'arc** is a heroine in the history of France, war leader and saint of the Catholic Church. At the beginning of the fifteenth century this girl of seventeen years of peasant origin manages to meet the Dauphin Charles, to successfully lead the French troops against the English armies, stop the siege of Orleans, causing the Dauphin's coronation at Reims, helping to turn the tide of the hundred Years War.
Famous French people

Some figures of French cinema:

Gérard Depardieu is a French actor, also a Russian citizen since 2013, he won the César for best actor. He was awarded the Moscow Film Festival in San Francisco and especially for his films.

Jean Reno is a French actor. His collaboration with Luc Besson gives him an international reputation, especially in these films: The Big Blue, Nikita and Leon. He was nominated three times for a César for best actor twice for a starring role in the movies Léon and The Visitors, and once for a supporting role in The Big Blue.

Luc Besson is a French film director, producer and screenwriter, best known for the following movies: The Big Blue, Arthur and the Minimoys, The Fifth Element, The Lady.

And other well-known actors:

Sophie Marceau, Alain Delon, Vincent Cassel, Juliette Binoche, Marion Cotillard, Catherine Deneuve.
Some famous athletes:


Zinédine Zidane is a great French international football player active from 1988 to 2006. He is victorious mainly internationally during the World Cup 1998 and became the Golden Ball in 1998.

Yannick Noah (born 18 May 1960 in Sedan, France) is a former professional tennis player from France. He is best remembered for winning the French Open in 1983 and as a highly successful captain of France's Davis Cup and Fed Cup teams. During his career, which spanned almost two decades, Noah captured a total of 23 singles titles and 16 doubles titles, reaching a career-high singles ranking of World No. 3 (in July 1986) and attaining the World No. 1 doubles ranking the following month. Since his retirement from the game, Noah has remained in the public eye as a very popular music performer and as the co-founder, with his mother, of a charity organization for underprivileged children.
Famous French people

Two French chefs:

**Alain Ducasse** was a French citizen by birth and became a naturalized citizen of Monaco in order to take advantage of the principality's very low tax rates.

He obtained three stars (the top ranking) in the Michelin Guide for these restaurants: Le Louis XV at the Hôtel de Paris in Monte-Carlo (in 1990), the Alain Ducasse restaurant in Paris (in 1997), and Alain Ducasse at The Dorchester in London (in 2010).

Ducasse became the first chef to own restaurants carrying three Michelin Stars in three cities, one of two chefs to hold 21 Michelin stars throughout his career. He has become internationally known through his writing and influences.

**Paul Bocuse**'s main restaurant is the luxury restaurant l'Auberge du Pont de Collonges, near Lyon, which has been serving a traditional menu for decades. It is one of a small number of restaurants in France to receive the coveted three-star rating by the Michelin Guide.

He is famous for the high quality of his restaurants and his innovative approaches to cuisine. He is one of the most prominent chefs associated with the *nouvelle cuisine*, which is less opulent and calorific than the traditional *cuisine classique*.

Since 1987, the Bocuse d'Or has been regarded as the most prestigious award for chefs in the world, trophies are awarded every 2 years.
Famous French people

Other talented French:

Many French singers are known worldwide: **Edith Piaf** (died), **Johnny Hallyday**, **Patricia Kaas**, **Francis Cabrel**, **Mylène Farmer**, **Vanessa Paradis**, **Christophe Mäé**, **Alizée**... Other DJs and electronic music groups are also famous: **David Guetta**, **Daft Punk**, **Bob Sinclar**, **Jean-Michel Jarre**.

**René Goscinny** is the creator of Asterix, Iznogoud and little Nicholas.

In France, there are world-famous painters: **Cézanne**, **Eugène Delacroix**, **Paul Gauguin**, **Édouard Manet**, **Henri Matisse**, **Claude Monet**, **Auguste Renoir**, **Henri Toulouse-Lautrec**.

**Louis Braille** invented a tactile writing system used by the blind and the visually impaired.

**Jules Verne** is a French writer of the late 19th century, worldwide known for his novels (for example: Around the World in Eighty Days, Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea).
Here are the companies that we know in our city!

On the Gresses area, we welcome the arrival of new firms that create new jobs. Other companies are already active in this sector:

**Cie générale du batiment 26**: masonry company.

**Super U**: supermarket with four employees in 2008.

**Drôme CIT**: manufacture of carpentry and joinery.

Running for 7 years, the company grew and now employs 13 people, including a majority of Donzère inhabitants.

**Boiron Faugier**: factory (Donzère and Privas) employing 150 people and producing chestnut cream.
In the wind turbines area are the following companies:

**Fabémi**: Donzère welcomes two largest units of Fabémi, Donzère Agglos and Donzère Environment. The group is one of the leaders of the prefabricated concrete construction products, it distributes throughout France and recently in Switzerland.

**Onyx**: present on all five continents, Onyx, Environmental Services Division of Veolia Environnement, is the second largest operator in the waste sector and cleanliness.

**Thiriet**: French food company specializing in the production and delivery of frozen food. In 4 years, Thiriet increased its workforce by 24 permanent contracts.

Finally, edutainment commercial area that will be structured around **Auchan** is expected to create hundreds of jobs during the construction phase and 800 to 1000 during the operating phase.

In the chocolate factory area (Aiguebelle activity park), there are now more than 200 working people for example in:

**E.D.F.**: business electricity service. The geographical location of Donzère (between the two nuclear sites and quite close to Marseille, regional headquarters) makes this unit an important site of EDF large southeast.

**Chocolaterie Morin**: family business manufacturing chocolate with 6 employees.
Sports offered to children in Donzère are soccer, dance, rugby, hiking, judo, tennis, cheerleaders, table tennis. Fun places are available: a skate park, a bowling alley.

Judo is practiced inside the dojo, which is located in the Aiguebelle' chocolate factory. 5 people left on a trip to Japan. Judo begins at the age of 4-5 years old. It is played on Tuesday and Friday from 9 years old to 13 years old, the hours are from 18:30 to 19:30. Coaches are Sofiane and Damien.
Tennis is played outdoors, at Antoine Bouvat's tennis court. The coach is Didier Creuzil.

Tennis begins at the age of 4-5 years, trainings are on Wednesdays.

Rugby School offers trainings on Wednesdays from 17:00 to 19:00 at the Jean-Pierre Rives Stadium for children 5-13 years.
Sports in Donzère

The Jellina association offers oriental dance and Zumbatomic for children in the multipurpose hall (next to the municipal swimming pool in Donzère).

The Mod'dance association offers modern jazz workouts for boys and girls from 4 years old in the hall. For 4-6 years, trainings are on Mondays from 4:45 p.m. to 5:45 p.m., for 7-9 years, trainings are on Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 and for 9-11 years, trainings are on Wednesdays from 13:00 p.m. to 15:00 p.m..

The Club Olympique Donzérois offers football training at Hidalgo Stadium. For children from 5 to 8 years, trainings are on Wednesdays from 2:00 p.m. to 15:30. For 9-13 years' children, trainings are on Mondays and Thursdays from 18:00 p.m. to 19:30 p.m.. Coaches are Alain and Ilière.

There is a bowling alley in Donzère.
The outdoor municipal **pool** in Donzère is only open in the summer.

The **skate park** is open daily. It is located next to the Hidalgo Stadium and supermarket U.

"The Lancières" is an association of **cheerleaders**.

The A.T.T. Association (**tennis table**) trains children on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays in the multipurpose hall and in the chocolate factory with Yoann Delarbre as coach.

The Draille Donzeroise is a **hiking and snowshoeing** club, offering walks by the sea or in the mountains. The club offers hiking every Saturday or Sunday alternately. It also offers hiking four or five weekends a year, and two to four days or nights with lodging.
The André Jullien school is run by Mr Michel Veyrier. In school, we have 14 classes with 307 students and 14 teachers. The canteen is located in the courtyard in front of the computer room. We have a basketball court, hopscotch, climbing game, a wooden bridge, a beam and balance games. Toilets for girls and boys are separated by the playground. Then we have a place to store bikes, that is near the boys' toilets.

Activities that we perform are: sports, computers, music, visual arts.

The school has:

- **3 classes of CP**: Mrs. Chaugne, Mrs. Rollet and Mrs. Germain.
- **3 classes of CE1**: Mrs. Musicien, Mrs. Chamontin and Mrs. François.
- **2 classes of CE2**: Mrs. Basset and Mrs. Coru.
- **One class of CE2-CM1**: Mrs. Djenadi.
- **One class of CM1**: Mrs. Ledet.
- **One class of CM1-CM2**: Mr. Garayt.
- **2 classes of CM2**: Mrs. Fleureau and Mrs. Moreau.
- **One class with special educational needs**: Mrs. Bertrand.
Schools in Donzère

Our André Jullien school:
Other schools:

The St. Mary School is a Catholic institution. It welcomes pupils from pre-kindergarten to CM2 in seven classes (three kindergarten classes and four primary classes). They are 164 children. This school has 10 teachers and a computer and music teacher. Teachers teach the Catholic religion to children from the age of two years, pupils can learn modern languages (English, Spanish ...). Primary classes practice sport in their own football stadium and basketball area.
Other schools:

**Kindergarten Aiguebelle** includes 50 students.

**Kindergarten of oaks' city** consists of 6 classes.

**The Primary school of oaks' city** is composed of 10 classes. The director of the school is named Muriel Richaud.
See you soon !!!