

Spring Review

Un trimestre de croissance



This is how we are growing...

Our new Head of School, Mme Françoise Zurbach (left) will help us continue to grow all aspects of our school.

Mme Françoise Zurbach de père Français et de mère britannique est née au Maroc et a passé son enfance à Montréal où elle a effectué sa scolarité dans une école anglaise jusqu'à l'âge de dix ans. Elle s'est engagée très tôt dans l'enseignement, a travaillé en maternelle, primaire puis est devenue directrice d'un groupe scolaire de 12 classes tout en exerçant les fonctions de conseillère pédagogique. Elle a également travaillé avec le

CNED pour concevoir une méthode d'anglais destinée aux petits français résidant à l'étranger.

Elle occupe les fonctions de directrice de groupe scolaire depuis vingt cinq ans en France et en Grande Bretagne et plus récemment a pris la direction de l'école bilingue Wix annexe du lycée Charles de Gaulle à Londres où elle exerce à l'heure actuelle.

Mrs Françoise Zurbach was born in Morocco to a French father and British mother and spent her childhood in Montreal where she attended an English school up to the age of ten. She then moved to France with her family. Françoise chose to work in Education from an early age, beginning her career in preschool. She then taught in a primary school whilst training teachers and has been a head teacher for the past twenty five years both in France and England, most recently at Wix bilingual school (part of the French Lycée Charles de Gaulle). She also worked to create a method of English geared towards young French learners abroad.

MEET AND GREET THE NEW HEAD OF SCHOOL: PORTLAND PLACE 24 APRIL 09:30, and 9 May 6pm - Eventbrite sign up: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/eifa-school-17155161370>



Senior school pop art - guess the subject (right) ...



(above) Le lundi 12 mars, les élèves de CM1, CM2 et 6e ont participé à l'après-midi romaine. Ceux-ci ont ainsi pu découvrir l'Antiquité romaine autour d'ateliers pédagogiques : création du tria nomina, de mosaïques et de recettes culinaires.



Sport helps us grow!
PS class PE/Sport Janvier

*Our world is growing ...
Pen friend letters
received in Y5!*

*Couronnes de roi et
lettres reçues de Noisy le
Sec!*



Cultural growth

*Nursery class received a
visit from Russian artist,
Alexey Firsov*

*Using playdough, flowers
and petals, the children
created amazing pieces of
work after listening to
Alexey explain how nature
inspires him for his
paintings and looking at
some of his artwork.*



On our doorstep- The Wallace collection

MS/Reception visited our local museum, what a laugh! (below left)



101 Dalmatians ... World Book Day (below right)

Mme Redding, déguisé en ...



Lunar New Year

Thank you P.A.!



LORD MAYOR OF WESTMINSTER VISITS EIFA SCHOOL



Mais, est-ce-qu'il parle français?



(above) Oliver, Charlotte (Year 2), Kevin, Konstancja (Year 3) along with Raphaëlle (Y8) and Oscar (Y6) led the Lord Mayor of Westminster on his tour of our school.

...and thank you to the helpers!

Cambridge IGCSE exams first class at EIFA

EIFA's first class of IGCSE student examinations (Y11) are taking place in April/May.

You may notice the "exams in progress" signs around Duchess House.

See also below ...

(left) Caught clowning around?



(right) Whose wellies will the little feet grow into? Portland place wet day emergency?





Goodbye Mme Dehon ...

Quelle aventure!! Eleven years ago I met Sabine who was a teacher of one of my boys. We started to chat and we both realised that there was a great need for an international bilingual school in London. We decided to combine our efforts and to start a school together. What a ride! The biggest challenge we faced, was to find a building that would be ideal for a school. The time we spent visiting buildings in London and the effort trying to convince potential landlords that we had this great idea, were soul destroying.

But we prevailed. When I felt that we had to throw in the towel, Sabine was a rock and urged us forward. When she faltered, I told her not to give up and that the perfect building was just around the corner. After three planning permissions and countless set backs later, EIFA

was born. EIFA would not exist today without our determination, courage and grit. I would say that the unofficial motto of the school would be "la ténacité" and Sabine embodies tenacity. We progressed from having 17 children on roll when EIFA opened in 2013 to over 300 students today, with a day nursery and a Senior School added in the last 3 years. If this is not a success story, I don't know what is!

Mais l'aventure se poursuit pour Sabine. Elle quittera Londres cet été vers de nouveaux horizons où sa ténacité, son sens d'humour et sa détermination l'amèneront à la conquête de nouveaux défis, de nouvelles cultures et de nouvelles amitiés. In the meantime, her office door remains open if you want to have a quick chat.

EIFA ne serait pas EIFA sans Sabine. Son ADN y est imprégné et continuera à rayonner tous les jours à travers la mission et la philosophie bilingue, internationale et inclusive de l'école. De façon plus personnelle, je perds ma partenaire de travail, ma complice, un soutien mutuel constant où nos discussions sont toujours orientées vers les enfants, leur éducation et l'avenir de l'école. Je suis attristée par son départ mais heureuse car elle poursuit sa nouvelle destinée. *Mme Faulkner*



Spring! Printemps!
Regent's Park lunch break!



Semaine de la Presse, Avril 22

P.A. Gala Ball



23 Juin
Hotel
Corinthia

All parents and staff are invited!
Michelin chef ...
charity auction ...
dancing and more!

LOCATION

<https://www.corinthia.com/en/hotels/london>

Billets Ticketing

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/eifa-parents-gala-ball-2018-tickets-45097272155>

SPORTS DAY

30 JUNE 10:00

More from Twitter

(below left)

Pour accompagner la découverte de deux albums de la sélection des Incorruptibles, les GS ont appris à rédiger des devinettes sur les animaux. Ils ont utilisé leurs connaissances qu'ils ont ensuite complétées par la lecture et le visionnage de documentaires.

Le projet s'est achevé par des devinettes aux classes de MS et de GS.

Les GS étaient fiers de leurs productions et ravis de les partager! (ci-dessous)



Y6/CM2 made their own Geo-board game, "Moving around Trinidad during Spring Carnival" (below)



Senior school invited the Honduran ambassador and the Colombian attaché to the Spanish play, "la casa encantada" (above).



Spring time in Little EIFA . Printemps, les fleurs et les enfants grandissent ...



Senior school students tweeting from the gorilla house in London Zoo ... (left) and at the Science Museum (right)

