

LA LETTRE DU LFIM

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WORD OF THE PRINCIPAL

Mumbai, Friday, 1 December 2023

Dear Sir, Madam,

Dear Members of the LFIM community,

We're already coming to the end of our first trimester, and yes, time does fly... I'd ask you to read our newsletter very carefully, and especially the key dates in our calendar concerning "La Grande Fête du Lycée", parent/teacher meetings and the 2023 end-of-year shows.

The Lycée's educational projects are developing at great speed, and we are so happy to have teachers who are committed to the success of these projects for the benefit of our students. The main objective is to enable our students to discover the world and become the citizens of tomorrow's world.

Since last September, we've been working hard on the future of our Lycée. First of all, we submitted an application to open an American International Section (SIA) for all our students from CP to CM2 for the start of the school year in September 2024. Secondly, we have submitted an application to the AEFÉ and the French Ministry of Education for approval and recognition of our teaching in 5th, 4th and 3rd grade.

I feel it is important to present our school's pedagogical and strategic project for the years to come. I propose two meetings on Tuesday, January 23rd, a first presentation at 4pm and a second presentation at 6pm to explain :

- the school project, family collaboration ;
- American International Section (SIA);
- Collège and Lycée accreditation files;
- the French International Baccalaureate (BFI) for French and international universities;
- the school's strategy for the coming years;
- Enrolment, pedagogical structure and space organization.

I invite you to attend one of these presentations, so that you can understand the pedagogy of our Lycée today and in the years to come. Of course, I'll be there to answer any questions you may have.

Thank you very much for your support and confidence, and we look forward to seeing you at our many events over the coming weeks.

Yours sincerely and respectfully

Bruno Le Brize, Principal

<https://eduscol.education.fr/2861/school-education-france>



Focus of the school project :

1. Kindergarten: organization of bilingual teaching from GST to Grande Section, following MEN programs in both languages.
2. Language pathways for students in Cycles 2, 3 and 4
 - a. The American International Section
 - b. Welcoming non-English and non-French-speaking students
3. Educational pathways for students with special needs
4. Scientific courses: EFE3D
5. 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Year, Sport at LFIM





NUT AND KIWI-FREE ZONE

We would like to remind our parents in Kindergarten (TPS, PS, MS and GS) that the classrooms on the 1st floor, and 2nd floor of GS-B, are nut and kiwi-free zones. It is forbidden to bring or consume nuts and kiwi fruit on these floors and classrooms.





SCHOOL COUNCIL

7 DECEMBER 2023

Parents are kindly requested to take note of the important AEFE circular concerning school councils and their role in school life. The document is available here : [AEFE Circular](#)

Here is the agenda for the meeting:

- Introducing people
- Taking minutes
- Functioning of the School Council
- Presentation of Lycée governing bodies
- Organization chart of Lycée staff and AEFE Zone Asie Pacifique (ZAP)
- Internal regulations 23-24
- Continuing education plan 23-24
- PPMS
- Pollution and alert level
- Intrusion" exercise in December
- Enrolment and structure of the Lycée
 - Waiting list for TPS, PS and GS
 - To open classes in January or not?
- Back-to-school report
- School project in progress
- Dossier 23-24 for 24-25 :
 - International section USA
 - Homologation 5e 4e 3e
- Calendar of forthcoming school council meetings
- Miscellaneous questions submitted to the director 48 hours before the school council meeting



The following is a message from the elected parents of the School Council.

Dear Sir, Madam,

Dear Parents,

We are pleased to be your representatives on the School Council for the 2023-24 school year.

Our role is to facilitate relations between parents and the Lycée. We can intervene with the Head of School to raise a general issue or to mediate.

The first School Council meeting will take place on Thursday December 7. If you would like to send us any suggestions for improving school life, please fill in this form before December 3:

<https://forms.gle/o8brJ4Qyaoc5QHcFA>



Bonne journée et au plaisir de vous rencontrer. Nous sommes joignable individuellement ou par email :
parents.conseildetablissement@lfim.in

Have a nice day and look forward to meeting you. We can be reached individually or by email:
parents.conseildetablissement@lfim.in



FÊTE DU LFIM ET MARCHÉ DE NOËL



The poster features a festive design with a red and white striped border at the top. It includes logos for Lycée Français International de Mumbai, AEFÉ, and a 'Jumby & Associés' logo. The main title 'FÊTE DU LFIM' is in green, and 'MARCHÉ DE NOËL' is in red. Below this, it says 'CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF LFIM' in blue. A central text block on banners states 'DECEMBER 9', '10 AM TO 4 PM', and 'FREE ENTRY'. The bottom is decorated with a snowman, a Christmas tree, and various gifts.

LYCÉE FRANÇAIS
INTERNATIONAL
DE MUMBAI

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Jumby & Associés

FÊTE DU LFIM MARCHÉ DE NOËL

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF LFIM

A CELEBRATION FULL OF GAMES,
ACTIVITIES AND TREATS!

DECEMBER 9

10 AM TO 4 PM

FREE ENTRY



LES SPECTACLES DE NOËL

The kindergarten and elementary students are delighted to invite you to their shows!



Please note that students will arrive in the morning according to the school's normal timetable. After the end of the shows, **children will have their usual classes and the days will remain normal school days.** Exceptionally, kindergarten pupils are asked to arrive at school at 8am on the day of the show.

Further information about each show will be provided by your child(ren)'s teacher(s).



SOLIDARITY AND HELP FOR CHRISTMAS AT THE BAI JERBAI WADIA CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

As part of our solidarity actions with local partners, we have decided to mobilize our students and their families during the month of December for an action of sharing, solidarity and aid to the most underprivileged, particularly for children hospitalized at the "Bai Jerbai Wadia Hospital for Children". This action is organized with the help of Doctor Dinand, who helps us a lot at the Lycée, and who is also the referral doctor for the Consulate General of France and the referral doctor for our school.

Dr Veronique Dinand
Head, Pediatric Palliative & Supportive Care Unit
Bai Jerbai Wadia Hospital for Children, Parel, Mumbai
+91-9971839244

The collection will take place between Monday, 4 December and Monday, 18 December 2023.

These school supplies are a wonderful and useful Christmas gift, and will help the children to continue certain educational activities in hospital, as well as creating and expressing themselves with tools they know. Your support will enable these children to live through their hospitalization a little better and forget about their illness for a while.

Please place the following in one gift bag :

- Single line 50 page exercise book
- Red & blue lined books
- Square line books
- Long note books single line
- Box of Crayons
- Box of colour pencils
- Box of pencils
- Simple colouring books
- Simple drawing books
- Poster colours
- Tube paints
- Sketch pens
- A4 sheets of coloured craft paper

Gifts can be dropped off at the Lycée lobby. Many, many thanks for your help and support for the children of Bai Jerbai Wadia Hospital for Children.

LOST PROPERTY

The following items have been found and are located on the 5th floor. Please provide identification if this item belongs to you and pick it up at the office during class hours.





OPEN HOUSE

20 DECEMBER 2023

LFIM is pleased to announce its next Open House on Wednesday, December 20 at 9am.

A unique way for prospective families to discover our school, the Open House brings the entire community together to showcase the excellence of bilingual education in French and English. Parents can meet the Principal, chat with members of the administration, learn about the admissions process and explore the Lycée.

Best of all, they can see our students in their classrooms and learn about school life.

If you know any parents who would like to know what makes LFIM a true international school, please feel free to send them the RSVP link: <https://forms.office.com/r/Z3xWW1Q7Yb>





SCHOOL LIFE





CALENDAR

November 2023

- **27 November - 2 December**
Lycées Français du Monde Week: 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Year
- **29 November - 1 December**
Jean-Baptiste Fauchille on training in Hanoi / Secondary school

December 2023

- **Monday, 4 December**
Visit of RUIA College
9:30 till 3:30pm
- **Wednesday, 6 December**
Visit to LFIM by the new French Ambassador to India
- **Thursday, 7 December**
School Council 1
4pm on the 5th floor
- **7 - 8 December**
Visit - Mission IEN - Bruno SEWERYN
- **Saturday, 9 December**
SAVE THE DATE - LFIM Celebrations - 40 years + Marché de Noël
10am to 4pm - LFIM
- **Monday, 18 December**
Parents-Teacher Meetings - Secondary
from 3pm till 6pm - 4th floor
- **Monday, 18 December**
Spectacle de Noël - TPS and PS
9am - ground floor



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- **Tuesday, 19 December**
Spectacle de Noël - MS-A and MS-B
9am - ground floor

 - **Wednesday, 20 December**
Spectacle de Noël - GSA and GSB
9h - ground floor

 - **Wednesday, 20 December**
Open House 3
9am

 - **Wednesday, 20 December**
Parent-Teacher Meetings - Elementary
from 8am till 3pm - 2nd floor

 - **Thursday, 21 December**
Spectacle de Noël - CP and CE1
9am - 2nd floor - Room 204

 - **Friday, 22 December**
Spectacle de Noël - CE2, CM1, CM2
9h - ground floor

 - **23 December - 7 January**
Christmas break



EDUKA

LFIM is delighted to announce the launch of its new online platform on Eduka!

This is an important tool for data processing, streamlining and simplifying administrative procedures linked to school life, student enrolment, re-enrolment, withdrawal, billing, selection of extra-curricular activities and many other routine schooling processes.

To access your family's Eduka portal, please follow the steps below:

1. Please click here: "[Retrieve lost password](#)".
2. Enter the e-mail address you provided on your registration form when you registered your student(s). **Parents may note that their email addresses have already been added by us to the Eduka system.**
3. Once you have accessed your account, please follow the requested steps and update your child(ren)'s details.
4. Please keep your email address and password safe, as they will be used to access your account.

Please note:

1. Registration on Eduka is compulsory for all families whose students are enrolled at LFIM.
2. Parents are requested to use only the email address given on the registration form when registering their student(s).
3. **If this email does not work, please try the most recent email you used to communicate with the school.** This may also be your company email address.
4. Both parents have access to the family account.
5. All student information must be regularly updated by families. This includes copies of passports, FRROs, visas, etc.
6. The contact details of all persons authorized to pick up the student (driver, nanny, friends, grandparents, etc.) must be regularly updated on Eduka by the parents.

The school and Eduka are firmly committed to respecting and guaranteeing the confidentiality of all data concerning our students and their families.



Download the EDUKA application for your mobile!

Once you have reset your password using the following link: <https://lfim.eduka.school/recover> you can use the EDUKA Mobile application.

Click here for Android :

[https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.edukasoftware.eduka_android_v2&hl=en&gl=US
&pli=1](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.edukasoftware.eduka_android_v2&hl=en&gl=US&pli=1)

Click here for iOS (iPhone) : <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/eduka-mobile/id1549137228>

Follow these steps:

1. Once the application has been downloaded, click on "Manual authentication".
2. Enter the school code: 564416
3. Enter your email address and password.
4. Enjoy!



LFIM SPORTSWEAR

As part of the preparations for the new school year, we have decided, together with the Management Committee (MC) and the School Council, to introduce sportswear for all students from TPS - Terminale.

This sportswear will enable students to:

- Be more comfortable during sports sessions;
- Make it easier to choose clothes to wear to school in the morning;
- Show that students "belong" to LFIM on school trips;
- Easily identify students on school outings.

With the MC, we've worked closely with a number of companies to select the best products at the best prices.

If a family is not available and cannot attend the fitting, they can go directly to the sales office to place their order: <https://goo.gl/maps/B6DkQyVUrozU5UbS7>

Please contact Mrs Krupa on +91 9920838008 if you require any further information.

We remind you that all students are required to wear sportswear for all sports classes and school trips.



LUNCH SERVICE AT LFIM

Created by Zane's Café, this service is designed specifically for our students and staff, with different meal plans and pricing options available. To place your orders, please click on the following link:

<https://meals.zanes.coffee/>

Steps for using the website:

1. Please create an account to order your meals. To avoid confusion, we ask that parents create only one account per family.
2. Please create a password that will be used each time you log in.
3. The same account must be used for all students in a family. **Do not create multiple accounts for each student.**
4. You can choose prepaid plans (for 2 weeks) or order for a specific day.
5. Parents must clearly state their child's full name (first and last) and class to avoid confusion at the end of the order. For more than one child, parents are asked to place a separate order from the same account OR to clearly state the name and class of the other child(ren) in the comments section. Since this information will be on the food box, we ask that parents be very careful when filling out this field.
6. Since this service is for LFIM, it is not necessary to add the school address when ordering. Simply indicate 'LFIM' in the requested fields.

Please note :

1. This service is open to all students (TPS - Terminale) and LFIM staff.
2. This is an optional service. Students are encouraged to bring their own lunch from home, and are required to bring their own snacks, as this service is for lunch only.
3. In the event of a holiday/school vacation, paid days (prepaid plans) will be moved to the next business day.
4. If you have any information you would like to share with the caterer, or if your child(ren) have any allergies, please indicate this in the comments section when ordering.
5. The delivery weeks of the meals are mentioned on the website.

Although this service was created in partnership with Zané's Café, LFIM is not responsible for the delivery of the meals, the ingredients used or the operation of the website.

If you encounter any errors when ordering, please contact the caterer here: connect@zanes.coffee.

As we begin our service, we thank our parents for their patience and understanding if difficulties are encountered during the first few weeks.

Your voice matters !

Parents are requested to fill out the feedback form here : [Zane's Feedback Form](#)



END OF CLASS PROTOCOL

Please note that parents must send us an email for any change in the person(s) authorized to pick up students after school.

For your reference, here is the protocol:

1. An email should be sent to Ms. Varsha at bienvenue@lfim.in clearly indicating the child's name and class.
2. **If this is a new driver or nanny, parents should upload a clear copy of their driving license or national ID card (Aadhar/PAN etc) to Eduka.**
3. You should also copy Rohan (communication@lfim.in) and the student's respective teachers (if possible) on the e-mail.
4. A reply to your email will always be sent within an hour of receipt.
5. Parents must send an email to the school no later than one hour before the student's pick-up time. Messages sent via WhatsApp or phone calls will not be taken into account.
6. If we do not receive an email and a new person or parent picks up the student, the student will be asked to stay at school and the family will be contacted.

Please note that apart from Varsha, Rohan or the teachers concerned, no other person has the authority to allow a student to leave the school premises with a new nanny/driver/classmate or the classmate's parent.



THE ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

Administration:

1. Mrs. Varsha SONAWANE (Administrative assistant) - bienvenue@lfim.in
If your child is unwell, late, unable to attend school or if you are sending someone else to pick him/her up, please send an email to the above address. Please note that any change in personnel (temporary or permanent) to pick up the student must be reported to us as soon as possible and a copy of the individual's ID card must be presented to the school. **Parents are requested not to communicate any requests via WhatsApp.**
2. Mr. Vasant KALOLA (IT Manager) - it@lfim.in
For any technical questions or problems with the laptop provided by the school or PRONOTE (Secondary).
3. Mr. Pramod PATIL (Finance Director) - pramod.patil@lfim.in
Requests and information regarding payment of school fees and bills.
4. M. Rohan HIRA (Communication & Admissions) - communication@lfim.in
Submission of all general and administrative forms, extracurricular activities, questions regarding schedules, school vacations and notices.
5. Ms Divya KAUSHIK (Assistant Manager) - divya.kaushik@lfim.in
Responsible for student health. She will send an email to parents in the event of an accident or to pick up the student.
6. Mr. Bruno LE BRIZE (Principal/Director) - principal@lfim.in
To be contacted in case of emergency.

In case of emergency or to speak to any of the above administration, please call the school line at +91 (022) 4960 8802, or email us at admin@lfim.in



COIN DES PARENTS

Umeed Child Development Center

Umeed's Family Resource Center (FRC) is a team of parents of children with disabilities, able to offer support to families and guide them to available information and resources. You can contact the FRC team by email: frc@Umeed.org or visit their website to find out more: <https://ummeed.org/>

Understanding developmental disabilities

1

Disabilities are not always visible

You play a key role in monitoring your child's development and identifying any signs of delays or challenges.

2

Early intervention is important

The first three years of a child's development are the most crucial. Intervention at this stage before any formal diagnosis is essential.

3

You are not alone

52 million children in India have symptoms of developmental disabilities, and there is a wealth of resources you can leverage for support.



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This group will be facilitated by Ryan Cleeren, LCSW, MSW, MBA, a US-educated mental health professional currently residing in Mumbai, and mum of Remi.

You can find out more about Ryan and other services at www.cleerenconsulting.com.





ÉCOLE DE LOISIRS

Families can subscribe and pay by credit card on the website : <https://www.ecoledesmax.com/> then subscribe.

A few steps to follow.

- Choose 'grouped subscription', this preferential rate is accepted from 3 subscriptions arriving at the same address.
- Once the subscription is paid, the family receives an email from 'l'école des loisirs' confirming the subscription and a subscription number (8 digits and 1 letter). This number must be sent to us in Paris for registration.

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ALLIANCE FRANÇAISE NOVEMBER 2023

Please click here to access the Alliance Française de Bombay newsletter, containing all the information and events organized in November 2023 : [AF Bombay Newsletter](#)



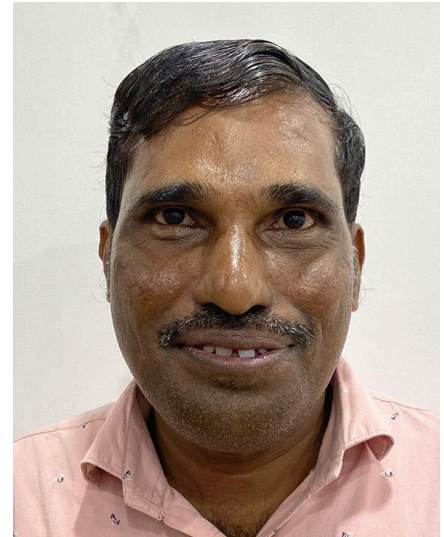


PORTRAIT OF THE MONTH #LFIMTURNS40

Mukund TARLEKAR

At LFIM
since 2009

Support staff



I started at LFIM as the school gardener, looking after the plants in the old campus bungalow. Today, I'm still in charge of the plants, and a bigger campus means bigger responsibilities. My favorite part of the school? The ground floor with the plants on the walls... absolutely magnificent!

Today, I lend a hand to the school whenever necessary, including trying to control parking on the Urmi grounds!

It's always fun to go around the school and deal with the new faces we see every year. Many of the students know my name, so it's always nice when they say hello.



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AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMME

Maternelle (TPS, PS1, PS2, MS1, MS2, GS)

Monday	15h30 - 16h30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● LFIM Daycare with Rita● The Little Gym with Monia (TPS-GS)
Tuesday	15h30 - 16h30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● LFIM Daycare with Rita● Happy Feet Dance with Swara
Wednesday	12h45 - 13h45	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● LFIM Daycare with Rita● Ballet with Dhvani● Chess (GS) with Manoj● Yoga with Sabrina
Thursday	15h30 - 16h30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● LFIM Daycare with Rita● Football with Pawan
Friday	12h45 - 13h45	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● LFIM Daycare with Rita● Bollywood Dance with Ankur● Arts & Crafts with Pari



Elementary (CP, CE1, CE2, CM1, CM2)

Monday	15h30 - 16h30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● LFIM Homework Help with Anushree ● Arts & Crafts with ITEEHA ● iPad DJ with Henry
Tuesday	15h30 - 16h30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● LFIM Homework Help with Anushree ● Ballet with Dhvani ● Basketball with Pawan
Wednesday	12h45 - 13h45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● LFIM Homework Help with Anushree ● Musical Instruments with Siddharth ● Chess with Manoj ● Football with Pawan
Thursday	15h30 - 16h30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● LFIM Homework Help with Anushree ● Kickboxing & Taekwondo with Mohan ● Ballroom Dance with Sneha
Friday	12h45 - 13h45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● LFIM Homework Help with Anushree ● Yoga with Sabrina ● LFIM Language Club: Hindi with Sayali ● Hip-Hop Dance with Swara

Secondary (6e, 5e, 4e, 3e, 2nde, 1er, Terminale)

Wednesday	12h45 - 13h45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Musical Instruments with Siddharth ● Chess with Manoj ● Homework Help with Mihir (Collège)
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AIR POLLUTION PROTOCOL

Due to the increase in air pollution in and around Mumbai here is our protocol that is implemented daily at the school.

In the classrooms:

- We have new air purifiers in all classrooms. These purifiers use the new Plasmacluster purification technology and are equipped with HEPA filters.
(<https://www.epa.gov/indoor-air-quality-iaq/what-hepa-filter>).
- All classroom windows are kept closed to prevent dust from entering and can only be opened by an authorized staff member.

During break time :

- Before each recess, the teacher checks the pollution level before allowing the children to play in the outdoor playground. If the pollution level reaches 200 (bad), students are not allowed to play outside and are moved to the indoor playground. We use an app called Safar, created by the Indian government to monitor the air quality index (AQI) :
<http://safar.tropmet.res.in/>
- The indoor playground has a dedicated air conditioning system with built-in air filters and an air cleaning system that purifies the air and allows students to play in a comfortable environment.

On campus :

- Masks remain available throughout campus in case a student wishes to wear one when leaving school at the end of the day or wishes to wear one at school.