

Bonjour tous les enfants de Rhodes Avenue !!!!

Le 14 juillet 2020

For the last ten year, Rhodes Avenue our French Bastille Assembly has been an end of year tradition, where we all sing along to our favourite French songs and celebrate all our linguistic achievements. We are truly sorry that we won't be able to run it this year. To give the date of the "mardi 14 juillet" a French flair and sense of celebration, we have compiled for you below a menu of activities that you can pick and choose. Of course I will be always very happy for you to share your experience with us by writing to french@rhodes.haringey.sch.uk . We love receiving audio and video recordings. It's also Camembear's birthday on Tuesday 14th July: he would love to receive as "une surprise, une carte ou un message" from you!

Let's start the day singing: [Aux Champs-Élysées !](#) and imagine we are now in Paris! Traditionally it's on the [Champs-Élysées](#) that the "Défilé du 14 juillet" the 14th of July parade" takes place, when more than 4000 military personnel march down from [L'Arc-de-Triomphe](#) to la [Place de la Concorde](#). This year, there will be a much smaller gathering on the Place de la Concorde. Here you can see what happened last year [Bastille Day](#)

In the evening, the "Orchestre National de France" will be playing and the famous [Tour Eiffel](#) fireworks display will take place, but the public won't be able to gather nearby as they usually do. Here is the "bouquet final" the finale from last year for your to watch [Bouquet final du feu d'artifice de Paris 2019](#).

Now, what are the French celebrating on their National day? It is the anniversary of Storming of the Bastille on 14 July 1789, a turning point of the French Revolution, as well as the Fête de la Fédération which celebrated the unity of the French people on 14 July 1790. The following link [Bastille Day](#) has a great historical explanation of the events, some quizzes and worksheets.

To enjoy the summer like the French you can lay boules/pétanque, here is a video showing you how to: [Les règles de la pétanque](#). If you feel like making your own Eiffel Tower, we have enclosed a template for you.

We wish you a "Bonne fête nationale" and especially "Bonnes vacances".

We very much look forward to seeing you again in September!

Bien à vous,

Adeline et Nadine