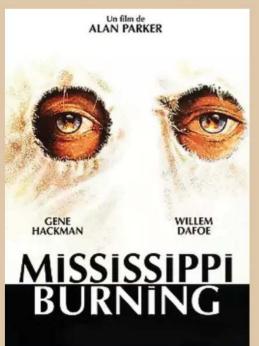


Paths of Glory

On January 27th, all the ninth graders went to the cinema to see Paths of Glory, a movie directed by Stanley Kubrick. This school trip was linked to what we were studying in French class ans History class. We all took the subway to go to "Christine Cinéma Club". The movie is about three innocent french soldiers being judged for betrayal. The main character tries to help them, he is played by Kirk Douglas. At the beginning of the movie, an attack against a german base is organized but it fails ans the general in charge of the attack decides to judge three innocent soldiers. The movie is pretty old, it was released in 1957 but the version we watched was restored.

Mississippi Burning

On March 17th, 2023, Bartholdi's 9th graders went to a cinema in Paris by metro to watch *Mississippi Burning*, a movie directed by Alan Parker and released in 1988, in occassion of our lessons about segregation in the US in French and English.



The Multitalented Creator

Alan Parker was a director, producer, novelist, and cartoonist born in London on February 14th, 1944. He began his career in the advertising world, writing and directing multiple commercials. In 1975, his first feature film, Bugsy Malone, was released. He went on to write, direct and produce many other outstanding movies, such as Fame (1979), Shoot the Moon (1981), Mississippi Burning (1988), and so on, that tackled controversial topics like racism and corruption and received multiple awards. In 1995, He was awarded a CBE by Queen Elizabeth II for services to the British film industry and received a knighthood in 2002. Alan Parker passed away on July 31st, 2020, leaving his legacy with his films.



<u>Amidst inhumane</u> violence...

The movie takes place during 1964's summer in Jessup County, Mississippi. At this time, the Civil Rights movement was at its peak. It demanded the respect of the rights of black people and fought against racial inequality and segregation, which separated white and "colored" people in public places, such as buses, schools, and restrooms. In the Southern states, many white people were members of the Ku Klux Klan, a supremacist organization that terrorized minorities, especially African-Americans. The Northern anti-segregationist states were wholly opposed to the Southerners.



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Based on a true story

The FBI puts Agents Ward, who wants to go "by the book", and Anderson, an experienced ex-sheriff who doesn't hesitate to disobey the rules to do what's right, in charge of investigating the disappearance of three civil rights workers in Mississippi, a state ruled by segregation and inequality. The agents have a hard time because of an omerta on the crimes of the KKK whose members control the county. Miss Pell, the wife of the Deputy Sheriff, a KKK member who participated in the murder of the activists, tells Anderson the location of the victims' bodies.







Our important opinion

We all felt lucky that we could watch this memorable production at the cinema, on a larger screen. The movie was immensely touching and emotional. Many people cried at the deaths of innocent black people. The fact that the KKK members could smile after killing powerless people is disgusting. It shows the level of insanity of some people, who can't even be considered humans, and the sufferings, violence, and misery that "colored" people had to go through for centuries. The movie is remarkable containing many meaningful scenes.









Lucy Our foreign language assistant

This year, we had the chance to work with Lucy, a 20- year-old young woman who had just finished her studies at Oxford university, and who helps young students like us to improve their oral skills. Every Tuesday each group had 30 minutes with Lucy to learn more about English culture. With her, we studied and learned many interesting things such as, the life in English universities, like Oxford where she told us about her experience while she was studying Biology there.

As she studied Science she was able to teach us interesting things like the sleep of dolphins. With Lucie we also had a debate about IA and its usefulness. This discussion was very interesting. To finish, we loved our time with her and she really helped us to have a better english level. Thank you to Lucy and everything that she did for us!

Sarah and Eva



Theatre workshop

Twice this year, Ryan, an actor and a theatre teacher from South Africa came to our school to help us get better at speaking English. We improvised some exercises in order to improve our English and our ability to speak and participate more comfortably in class. Here are some of the activities we did:

- Everybody had to close their eyes and count (one, two, three,...) as far as possible without having two or more people say the same number at the same time (picture above)
- Each group had to present a random object as if they were in an advertisement: Ryan even gave his shoe to one group!

- We improvised some fun scenes.
- We separated ouselves into groups and acted fairy tales (Rapunzel, 3 little pigs, Little Red Riding Hood)
- Asking questions and having to answer them with another question, sarcastically.
- -Convincing someone that we needed something more or less than them in different situations.

At the end of this workshop, we got better with our oral skills, making us participate more often in class.





Expressive reading challenge

This project began in September when we chose a text and practised reading it the best we could. In January, each class had to select one candidate and send a video to qualify for the TV programme « La grande librairie » on « france 5 ». In 3A it was Selma. But this is a big competition with 120, 000 candidates and only 160 could qualify. Selma made it through that first step..

In May, our school organised a competition gathering all the 9th graders and Selma was the master of ceremony. Each class was split into two groups and two finalists were selected in each group. Seventeen finalists were selected and read their text in front of all the 9th graders and the school staff. Six people won: Mona, Mubina, Eléora, Yanis, Steven, Joryane. It was a beautiful afternoon and thank you to all the participants!





Video game fair

This year, Mr. Raffin organised a Video game creation club where we would create a game on scratch. The game was about a car trying to avoid trash on a road, we called it «Roadsters». We participated in a contest with other middle schools at the "Hauts-de-seine digital games fair". Ten students had the chance to go to the fair. We went there with Mr. Raffin and Mr. Marchaud. We took the tramway, and we started visiting the fair in groups of two. There were a lot of stands! IT schools, videogame studios, official institutions...It was great because we could try a lot of games. After lunch, they announced the winners of the contest but unfortunatelyit wasn't us!