



# APESA Newsletter

December 2009

## Hello Everyone

After the somewhat 'unusual' events of September, it's been a welcome – if hectic – return to business as usual in the Anglophone Section.

The round of orientation meetings for parents of pupils in Primary, sixième and seconde has now been completed. These were all very well attended – and it was a great pleasure for me to see so many new and old (in the sense of familiar!) faces. Parents were also heavily involved – both as participants and visitors – at the *Lyon à la Carte* exhibition. This was designed for expatriate families living in Lyon and was held at the Hilton Hotel. The Anglophone Section had a stand at the exhibition and the day was immensely worthwhile. My thanks to all parents – and pupils – who helped us throughout the day.



On November 13, we presented our *bacheliers* from last year's Terminales with their OIB diplomas. Around thirty of our ex-pupils were able to attend and receive their certificates from the US Consul, Mr Harry Sullivan.

The first of this year's trips – the International Award group to Duerne – has already taken place. By the time this *Newsletter* goes out, we will have also sent our group of delegates to the Model United Nations conference in Paris.

On November 26 – 27, the Section hosted the annual meeting of all the UK Heads of Section from schools across France. This meeting normally takes place in Paris and we were delighted to be able to welcome delegates to Lyon.

The *Conseils de Classe* are now in progress and parent-teacher meetings will be upon us almost immediately after the Christmas holiday. I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible at that time. Until then, it only remains for me to wish you all an extremely enjoyable and peaceful break at Christmas.

**John Cadden**  
Head of Section



Oliver Wiinblad as Bugsy Malone

# Bugsy Malone

## Performance Dates :

**Monday, 29th March 7pm**

**Tuesday, 30th March 7pm**

**Wednesday, 31st March 5.30pm**

**Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> April 7pm**

**Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April 7pm**

**The performances will last just under two hours.  
There will be refreshments and a bar in the interval.  
Please come and support our students again.**

**I am also looking for help on the performance nights  
with hair and makeup. If you are available and  
willing, please let me know –  
[suemarch@apesalyon.org](mailto:suemarch@apesalyon.org)**



Full Cast rehearsing a dance number



The bad guys find a victim...

# From the APESA President

Hello to all....

After a very complicated « rentrée » in September both the CSI and APESA are now enjoying a « back to normal » period; a serene and positive mood reigns ... like the calm after the storm... We are proud to say that the APESA teachers were a pillar during these turbulent times. In addition, the staff regularly updated the web site, and continues to do so now that APESA is back to normal.

On behalf of the APESA Board, I would like to thank the APESA staff for their professionalism and their caring attitude during this difficult period for our children.

As you know, the APESA AGM took place on October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009, with about 60 parents attending. During our assembly, we approved the 2008-2009 accounts and we heard the President and the Head of Section recount the main 2008-09 events for the APESA. We also elected our new board, and I take this opportunity to thank all board candidates who stepped forward to offer their time, competencies and energy to the Board and to the APESA section. Equally important, we are grateful to all parents who demonstrated their interest by participating in the AGM.

Please find below the 2009-2010 APESA Board:

- PERRIN Nathalie (President)
- BOULOT Eric (Vice President)
- GOULD Jeremy (Treasurer)
- LEULLIER Ann (Secretary)
- FODOR Laetitia
- JAUSSEME Julia (vice secretary)
- MARIENBACH Edouard
- NESME Axel
- SAINT-GIRONS Joëlle
- VACHETTE Catherine
- VENNIN Pamela
- WIINBLAD Camilla

For your information, the Board meets once a month with Head of Section John Cadden, Senior Management Team members Val Tuppen and Rob Miller, and Déléguée du Personnel/Staff Representative Sue March.

Since the AGM, the Board has already met once; various committees have been formed based on the Section needs and plans for the future, enthusiastically working towards another great year of learning for our children.

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## From the APESA president

One of the recent Board decisions was to have a Staff Representative attend the meetings in order to further enhance communication. Should you wish to have more details on the Board's activities, the minutes of the meetings will continue to be available to section members from Tom Badou in the APESA office.

A primary objective this year is to better target all CSI stakeholders with a focus on improving communication flows... Along with John Cadden, the APESA board will monitor closely the resolution of the over enrollment (sureffectifs) and the 2<sup>nd</sup> pole project.

Christmas is now in the air and on behalf of the Board, we would like to wish you a happy holiday season, as well as a restful break with family.

**Nathalie PERRIN, APESA President**

## The APESA team...



**Standing, from left to right :**

Rob MILLER - Axel NESME - Jeremy GOULD - Eric BOULOT - John CADDEN - Camilla WIINBLAD -  
Laetitia FODOR - Pamela VENNIN - Julia JAUSSEME

**Seated, from left to right :**

Catherine VACHETTE - Valerie TUPPEN - Nathalie PERRIN - Joëlle SAINT-GIRON - Sue MARCH -  
Ann LEULLIER

Missing from the picture : Edouard MARIENBACH

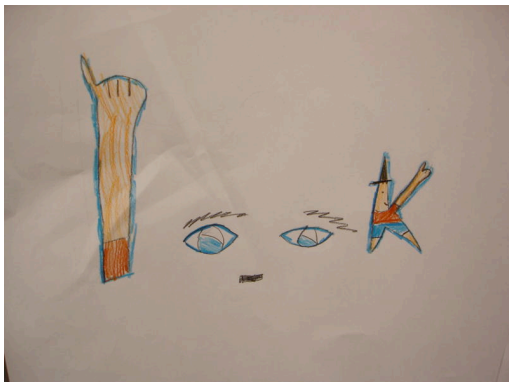


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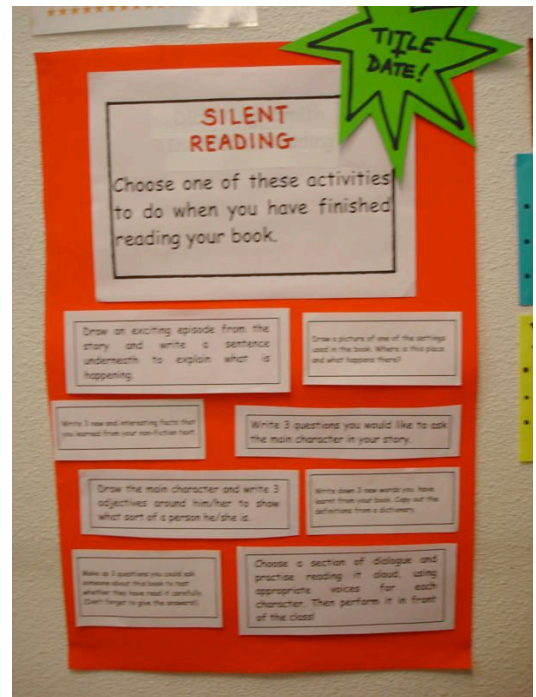
From the primary



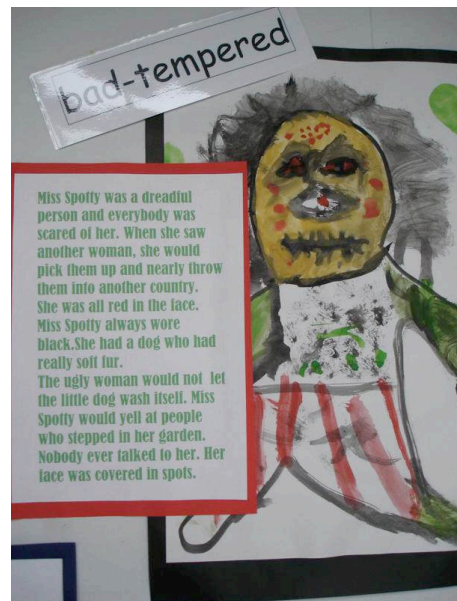
A Hodgeheg Wordwall inspired while the children were reading the book by Dick King Smith.



A calligram of the word 'look' by a CE1.



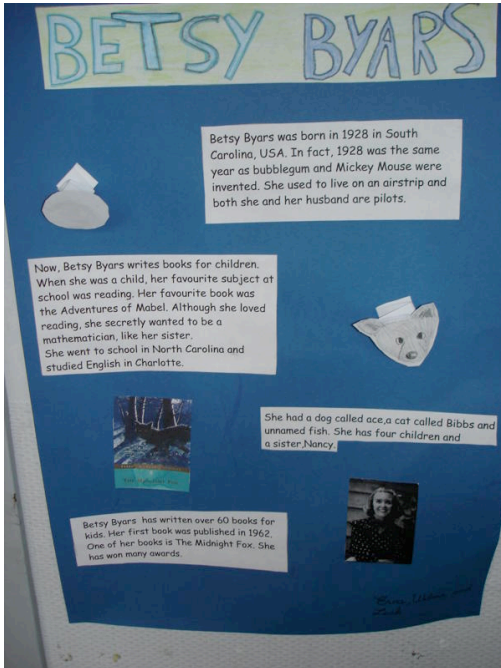
It is important that the children are helped to be independent and are given guidance on activities they can do, should they finish before others.



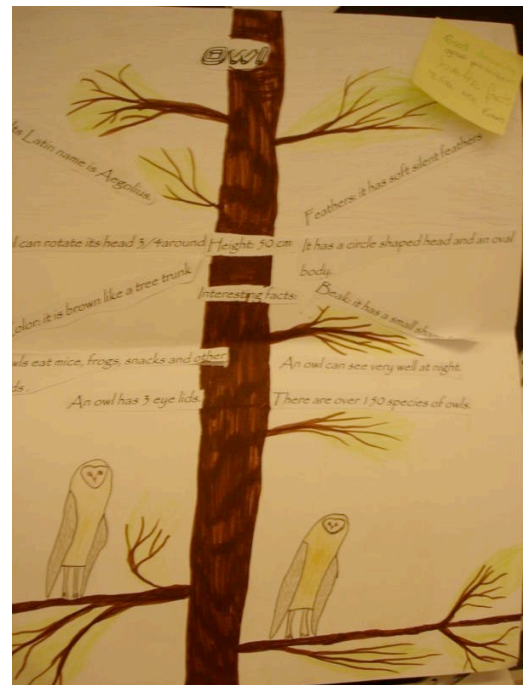
Here is part of a display of character descriptions created and written by the CE2 children. After their work was edited, they typed out their texts using the Alpha-smarts - small portable keyboards.

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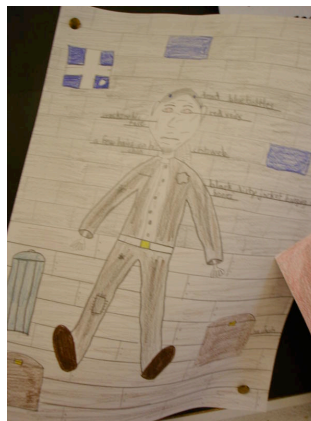
From the primary



CM1 children researched the life of Betsy Byars, the author of The Midnight Fox, and prepared posters.....



The CM2s found information about different birds to present on their posters.

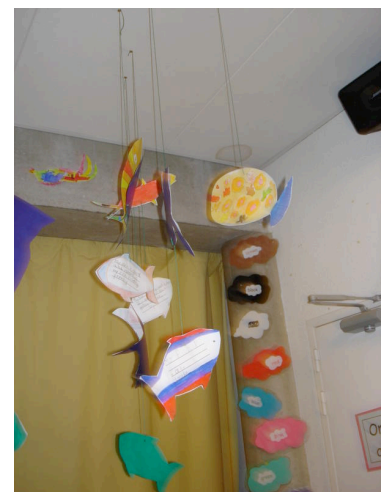


And if there is no more room on the walls, there is always the ceiling! The CPs painted colorful fish and wrote short descriptions of them.

A fact tree – CE1s have been working on the difference between fact and fiction.



Is this what Skellig looked like? The CM2s used descriptions in the book of the same name to inspire their illustrations.



We hope you have enjoyed this brief glimpse inside our rooms and the ways in which the walls (and doors and ceilings) have been exploited.

Val Tuppen

# NEWS FROM INTERSEC

INTERSEC is the parent association that links all the other parent associations! On our Board we have representatives from all the language sections as well as the European and Oriental sections and also the PEEP and FCPE. Our aim is to provide a link between all these different language sections, parents associations and the French administration. Membership is automatic for all parents in the CSI and is completely free.

INTERSEC has three key words: **Welcome, Communication and Festivity**.

INTERSEC organises various inter-section events and activities throughout the school year which include:

- **The “INTERSEC Party”**, a social evening for all CSI parents. This is the big INTERSEC social event of the year and is a brilliant opportunity to meet parents from the other sections. This year’s Rock ‘N’ Roll theme party took place on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November and the canteen chef, Monsieur Clerc, prepared his usual delicious fare, although the parents this year provided a varied selection of mouth watering starters. The evening was as animated as usual, with the rock ‘n’ roll quiz followed by the tombola which again had lavish prizes including generous gifts from all the sections. Music was provided by the supremely talented jazz pianist Jean-Marc “Chapeau” Monnez who got us all dancing in the end and even inspired a bit of ad-lib singing after midnight during the clearing up! We were delighted to see so many new parents, and are already planning ahead for next year!
- **A two-day international Book Fair** in April, so put aside your good condition second hand books ready to donate. Don’t bring them into school yet! For those who participated last year we sold over 1500 books and made a profit of nearly 800 €!!
- **A Prom** for the students in 3ème to mark the end of their “collège” years and their passage into the lycée. Parents with children in 3ème this year are very welcome to help with organising this event so by all means get in touch: [aoste2@orange.fr](mailto:aoste2@orange.fr)
- **An International Football Tournament** for the CSI parents which takes place in June. We are assisted in this event by enthusiastic football fan Brian Priddy who now meets up with other parents to play football in the park on a regular basis. If you are interested in joining them just let me know. In June 2010 the APESA team will have official team shirts, which I would like to thank the Board for officially approving.
- **A Job Fair** for the students in 1ère which this year will take place on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> April. If you are interested in presenting your job to the students either in April or at future job fairs, then please don’t hesitate to get in touch with Isabelle Darlow on [isabelledarlow@hotmail.com](mailto:isabelledarlow@hotmail.com)

## NEWS FROM INTERSEC

**INTERSEC also edits the school directory**....an essential tool if you need to call a classmate about forgotten homework or even if you just want to find out who lives near you. Your child's name and address will automatically appear in the directory unless you have specifically ticked the box on the school paperwork at the beginning of term asking for this not to happen. The directory has now been distributed to everyone who ordered it. I have ordered some extra copies so if you would like to receive one then please contact me **RAPIDLY** by email at [aoste2@orange.fr](mailto:aoste2@orange.fr) . The directory costs 7€ and cheques should be made payable to INTERSEC. Also if you happen to note any errors or omissions in the directory then please let me know as I will be sending out an 'erratum' in January.

The money raised by INTERSEC is used to help with school projects and trips etc. to benefit the pupils in all the sections.

INTERSEC sends you information by email via the Intersec Yahoo Group and also via thin slips of paper (photocopying for 2000 pupils is expensive!) which can get lost in the bottom of satchels if not checked from time to time! The INTERSEC meetings are open to all so feel free to come along.

Please use INTERSEC as a central information point..... if you have a problem of any kind related to the school but you're not sure who you should be speaking to then don't hesitate to ask.

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## FROM the ANGLOPHONE LIBRARY

The Collège/Lycée Anglophone Library is up and running. We have many new volunteers who are doing a fantastic job keeping the library open for your children to enjoy. As the school is now very over crowded the library is well used and provides a relaxing, friendly environment for the anglophone students. If anybody is interested in joining our team please contact Anne-Marie on [vernier.patrick@wanadoo.fr](mailto:vernier.patrick@wanadoo.fr) or the library directly on [english.library7@gmail.com](mailto:english.library7@gmail.com).

The library also has many new books. If you have read and enjoyed the Twilight series of books you may like to try The Mortal Instrument Series by Cassandra Clare. If you are following the Cherub series we have Brigands M.C. on pre-order and have the first book in Hendersons Boys by the same author. Don't forget, we have a lot of exciting books hidden on our shelves so have a look round or ask one of the volunteers for help.

## Season's Greetings from the Welcome Committee !

The welcome committee would like to wish everybody a happy holiday and take a minute to remind you of forthcoming events:

- 4th December:** Holiday Luncheon at Institut Paul Bocuse  
**11th January:** Coffee morning 'Galette des rois' at the home of Elsa Labrosse, 21, rue Tête d'Or, 69006, Lyon  
**26th January:** Cookery demonstration at the home of Elsa Labrosse  
**18th March:** Atelier des chefs cooking class

### Welcome Committee 2009/2010

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### Jewellery Sales

Christmas is coming... You are looking for a birthday present? You want to please someone or yourself ! Why not coming and have a look! I offer a selection of day wear as well as more glamorous pieces for special occasions - for all taste and budget! Very competitive with department stores! Contact Brigitte Grenville (Lyon 69003) on 06 33 36 46 91 or by mail: [bmggrenville@yahoo.fr](mailto:bmggrenville@yahoo.fr)

