

ATHLETES WHO STAND FOR EQUALITY

Dans l'axe "**Sport et Société**" du programme de langue vivante, les élèves de 2nde A ont travaillé sur les **sportifs engagés**. Ils vous proposent aujourd'hui des articles sur de nombreux athlètes de tous horizons qui se battent ou se sont battus pour des causes diverses: enfants défavorisés, droit des femmes, antiracisme... Certains élèves ont travaillé sur le même athlète, dans ce cas, seul un des articles apparaît. Nous espérons que vous trouverez ces informations intéressantes.

NB: pour des raisons pédagogiques, les articles qui sont publiés ici ont été corrigés par les élèves eux-mêmes, ne soyez donc pas étonnés d'y trouver des erreurs de langue.

The fight of Marcus Rashford

Marcus Rashford was born on 31st October of 1997 in Wythenshawe in England. So he is 23 years old. He is an athlete and he plays football for the national team of England and for Manchester United. Marcus earns a lot of money and many people like him. He is an idol for many people too.



Marcus defends Equality for children who have less money and who are defaulted (. For that, he wanted to give some food for

them during the period of Coronavirus and after. He wants all children to have the right to food. So, he tries to influence the population to donate money in a pot made available by him. Then, he made a petition which reached one million signatures. After that, he called the Prime Minister to have money through the government for the pot that would allow one meal per day during the Christmas holiday. The Prime Minister gives many millions pounds.

After those actions, Marcus Rashford created his own collection of books with Macmillan Children's Books. He encourage children of poor family to read. He personally learned to read at 17 years old and it's a disadvantage . This book talks about the positive mentality, the education, the comprehension of reading and women models.

To finish, the people are for those actions and participate in the pot. All people thank him.

Valentin Duhaubois, Friday 20th October of 2020

Thierry Henry against racism.

Thierry Henry former footballer of the France team launches a campaign.



Thierry Henry French professional football coach.

Thierry Henry

Born 17 August in Ullis, Thierry Henry is a former player who is currently the manager of Major League Soccer club Montreal Impact. He is considered one of the best strikers in football history and was crowned champion of France in 1997. He won the 1998 World Cup, the Europe Championship in 2000 and the Confederations Cup in 2003 with the French team. Thierry Henry was twice on the Ballon d'Or podium in 2003 (second) and in 2006 (third).

Source: Wikipedia.

Actions and Results

Thierry Henry started an anti-racism campaign. The campaign is named "Stand Up, Speak Up". 2,5 million intertwined white and black bracelets (representing the fight against racism) were sold throughout Europe from February 6 for 2 euros. The profits will be donated to a Belgian association who is against racism. Some teams have also decided to demonstrate against racism. Thus, several teams have played some friendly matches with special jerseys, white and black with writing "no room for racism". Thierry Henry also knelt down for 8 minutes and 46 seconds to pay a tribute to George Floyd, victim of police violence. This is the length of time that George Floyd was held down by a police officer's knee, prosecutors having since estimated the actual length to be 7 minutes and 46 seconds.

Causes

The French striker is still marked by the attitude of some supporters who have imitated monkey cries as soon as a black player touched a ball during a friendly match. The George Floyd affair also marked him. Thierry Henry hopes to change the mentalities.

Source: 1jour1actu, Le Figaro.

Public opinion: The initiative is excellent since Thierry Henry really wants to do everything to stop racism in the stadiums. This action is very good but many people think it is ineffective.

Source: 1jour1actu, Le Figaro.



Bracelets sold for the Belgian association.



Thierry Henry on his knee on the ground.

LAIGNEL Florine.

Tommie Smith and racism

Tommie Smith is an American man, he is a black guy, he was born on six June 1944. This athlete runs a 200 meters. Tommie Smith defended racism in the U.S.A. This athlete fights for inequality because he is black and for Tommie Smith it is a dishonor for the country. Tommie Smith raises awareness of the United States people, because a lot of people are affected by racism. Tommie Smith is famous because, in Mexico, for the Olympic game 1968, after the 200 meter, in the podium, he went in the first place, but he was not alone because John Carlos helped Tommie Smith in the ceremonies. Tommie and John put their hands in the air. He put his hand in his hair for the symbol.

For this action, Tommie Smith and John Carlos, the International Olympic banned Tommie and John because he manifested their opinion in a sport.



Anne-Flore MARXER snowboarder

Anne-Flora Marxer is Franco-swiss. She is the freeride world champion. She to defend inequality between men and women in this sport.

Cause :

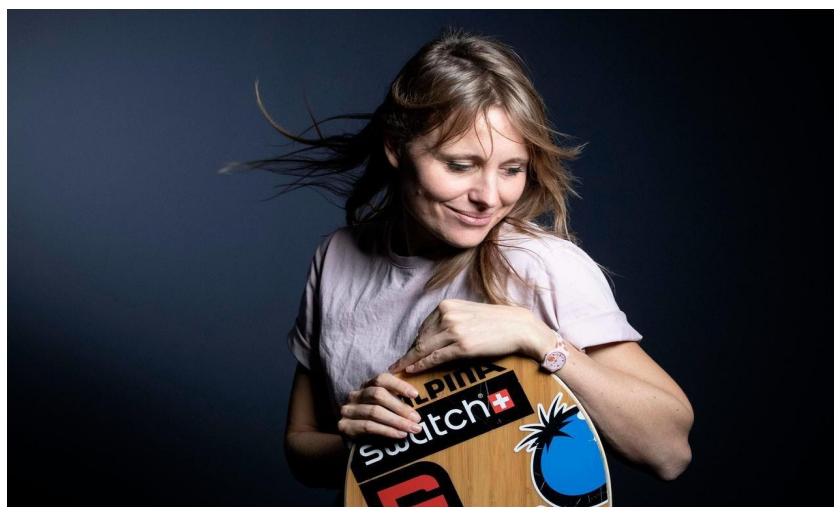
Anne-Flora defends herself so that women have as much right as men as being able to participate in competitions, so that women have the same advantages as men for example if she would be allowed compete she will have to pay to their own pocket for their accomodation, their equipment... while the men are invited, paid,logged (source: informatio.tv5monde.com)

Actions and consequences:

She to protests by asking her demands to sponsors, then the press. She endured to have what she wanted what women wanted she succeeded. I don't understand.

Today, women have the right to participate competitions but they are not yet quite on par with men on some points (source : informatio.tv5monde.com).

People agree with what defend because women even do more work than men and it is not possible that it is not recognized in competitions (source : www.brut.media).



Anne Flora Marxer was born the 24 january 1984. She practice snowboard, more precisely freeride.

Maelys Monnier

Article on Billie Jean King



Name of the athlete :
Billie Jean King

She was born on the 22th
November of 1943 in
Long Bitch, California
and she is American.
She have 77 years old

She lives in the 20th and the 21th Centuries, in California. She was married to the lawyer Larry King (of 1965 to 1987). She was a tennisman from 1959 to 1983. She won 129 prizes, including 12 prizes in the Grand Chelem. With the US team, she won the Fed Cup four times, in 1963, 1966, 1967, 1973, and four times as captain, in 1977, 1978, 1979 and 1996. She is also famous for her victory in 1973 against Bobby Riggs. She fought for sexes equality and women's recognition in sport. She defends this cause because she is a lesbian and she fight for SIDA. Her aim was for the women recognizing in sport. She created the WTA (Women Tennis Association) in 1973. She used her notoriety to fight for women's rights and LGBT rights. Her participation in the battle of the sexes in 1973 is part of this logic. In 2009, she received the Presidential Liberty Medal for her fight in favor of women and homosexuals.

Paul Pogba Organize a fundraiser

Paul Pogba was born on March 15 in Lagny-sur-Marne. He is a French international footballer playing in the Premier League at the post of midfielder of Manchester United FC



Clean Water is an association, the founder is David Zuick and the date of the creation is 2006 that fights against the harmful effects of oil and gas production and the location is in Washington. The problem of the association is ✕ protect our water and our health. Clean Water has funded more than 24,000 projects in 24 countries

In the conclusion Paul Pogba opened a fundraiser on his birthday to help Clean Water which provides drinking water to people in developing countries

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Serena Williams

and the black women's rights



Serena Williams, born in 1981 in Saginaw, is a famous black American tennis-woman like her sister Venus. Serena won 73 titles around the world : for example, 3 victories at Roland Garros or 7 at Wimbledon.

Serena Williams participated to Black Women's Equal Pay Day in 31st July 2017. This event takes place every year in addition to The Equal Pay Day.



She wants to defend women's rights because black women have salary different compared to white women and white men (for every dollar earned by men in the US, black women earn 63 cents, and 17% less than white women (progress is slowing for black women)). So, black women have to work eight months longer to earn the same in one year.

Serena Williams has been a consistent advocate of equal pay.

Moreover, black women are discriminated : "I've been disrespected by my male colleagues and in the most painful times. I've been the subject of racist remarks on and off the tennis court" (Serena Williams, *The Guardian*).

Overall, all around the world, many events are organized too denounce the inequalities between men and women, and specifically between black and white, in everyday life and many celebrities of showbiz or sport or culture are involved.

Serena Williams, magnificent champion, is one of these and is a great representative of this fight.

If more and more people, stars and different other people, reject theses inequalities, the society will be changed. More people expect this and we can hope this.

RUDY GOBERT:

Rudy Gobert-Bourgarel aka Rudy Gobert, born June 26, 1992 in Saint-Quentin, is a French professional basketball player. He is one of the centers of the Utah Jazz team playing in the NBA.



Recognized for its defensive qualities, he is designated NBA Defensive Player Of The Year twice, in 2018 and 2019. The French pivot of Utah Jazz Rudy Gobert, engaged for five years with the Secours populaire, made a donation of 100,000 euros to support the action of the French association. With the participation of streamer youtubers, Rudy Gobert helped the foundation while providing gameplay with Doigby Gotaga and Chowh1. He participated in the show called Master Kill, which involves getting the most kills in an online game on the game called Warzone. They all together made a collective donation of 6,000 euros to the Rudy's Kids association. This association helps children in difficulty during the live, Rudy gives examples of the different help he gives to children. Thanks to these donations, they bought masks for children during the covid-19 epidemic in America, he also bought computers for children to attend classes in distance and gave Christmas gifts to children who do not were not lucky enough to have ... Rudy Gobert set up this association 3 years ago and it is not ready to stop.

Lien de la vidéo : [UN MASTERKILL À 6000€ !!! \(ft. Rudy Gobert & Chowh1\) - YouTube](#)



An athlete who defend equality in sports

By Léane Brionne on Thursday, November 26th 2020



Amandine Henry was born on the 28th September 1989 in France. She is an Amazing football player. She plays in the Olympique Lyonnais and in the French team where she is the captain. She has 9 French championship titles, 5 wins in the Coupe of France, she won three times the champion league, she participated to the Women's World Cup in 2019. And her career is not finished. But she fought to change things.

Since she was little she was attracted to football. At the age of 5, she began football but there were no girls team, football was reserved to boys. So, she played with boys. She would become professional football player but it was impossible because there were no professional women in this sport. She was extremely sad. Fortunately, later, she was taken in a selection for girls. And her talent has been recognized. That is the reason why she defends the cause of women in sports. She encourages each girl to believe in her dreams. She has done more actions for this cause, she published a book entitled "Croire en ses rêves" for little girls. This book tells the life of Amandine when she was young and how she became a professional. And she has a Barbie at her effigy which is like a symbol to show that women can do football. Her aim is to be a model for girls, that sport is open for girls and boys, and that girls dare to play football. For example, at the Women's World Cup in 2019 she showed that high level is accessible for girls. Since, more young girls registered for football. Amandine Henry is a very good person.

Megan Rapinoe, an engaged athlete



Megan Rapinoe kneels during the national anthem before the United States women's national soccer team played the Netherlands in Atlanta on September 18, 2016. (Getty Images)

Megan Rapinoe is an American international football player and she was born on August 17th 1985. She and her team won the Olympics in 2012 and the World Cup in 2015 and in 2019.

The football player defends the LGBTQ+'s and the women's rights because she wants to change the mentalities of homophobic, racist and sexist supporters. The goal is to change the mentalities, stop discriminations, have equal pay between men and women.

She protests by rebelling and advertising during interviews, awards ceremonies or on social medias.

In June 2019 Megan Rapinoe have lodged a complaint against the USFF (the American Soccer Federation), for "institutional discrimination based on gender" because the pay of men is much superior to the women's pay in football.

She is the first white woman to have supported Colin Kaepernick on the protest movement against police violence to the black Americans.

She did her coming-out in 2012. And she shows she is proud and even said "Go gays! You can't win big competitions without homosexuals on your team. It never happened. It's even scientifically proven!" after qualifying her team in the semi-finals in July 2019.

Her protests allowed to accept the coming-out of the football players more easily. But a lot of people don't like that someone like Megan Rapinoe, represents the future of football, fights for good causes.

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A dream can come true

Rafaela was born in Rio de Janeiro on 24 April 1992. She has started judo very early, at the age of five years old.

She was a world champion junior in 2008 in Bangkok in Thailand. Rafaela Silva was a judoka in -57Kg she has lost the Olympic game in 2012. She was insulted by racist and sexist proposals "monkey in cage" in London. She wanted to stop judo but she was strong and she has won the Olympic game in 2013.



She has fought against racism and sexism. In her country, she was welcomed with celebration and full joy.

Rafaela Silva was a superhero because she went to a disadvantaged family and she was a world

champion in 2008 and won a JO in 2013.

She gets involved in institutes Reação for little children. Rafaela says, "Your biggest dream can come true".

David Douillet

David Douillet, born February 17, 1969 in Rouen, is a French judoka who became a politician and now a businessman. He is one of the French judoka who obtained the most titles (plural is needed here). He finished in the biggest category of judo which is the heavyweights. He has two Olympic titles obtained in 1996 and 2000. He is also very well known thanks to the association he created which is very well known called the Yellow Pieces. This association was created in 1990, David was the sponsor until 2010. A rumor about David Douillet and Bernadette Chirac resurfaces online, I don't know if it's real.



Allyson Felix, true legend of world athletics



Allyson Felix, born November 18, 1985 in America, fights against doping in sports. Her fight against doping is something very important to her. She is still deeply involved in this cause. The message she sends to young people is that doping is fatal. She said that if someone makes the sad decision to dope that person makes an unfortunate choice, regardless of nationality. Rocking, deciding to dope, that's something wrong with me. And so disappointing when she learns that this or that athlete has doped. She explains that she made the decision to be part of this project following the revelations about Marion Jones. This one, of which she was a fan during her youth, deeply disappointed her when the evidence of her doping was established. In addition, we know that Allyson Felix has been confronted on several occasions with sprinters who have been convicted, at one point or another in their careers, for taking illicit products. She therefore wants not only to rule out any suspicion of cheating in against it but also to improve the image of its sport. To do this, she wishes to use all possible means. So she says of herself « Whatever I can do to prove I'm clean, whatever it takes, waking up or driving at 5:00 in the morning, I want to do it to show that I'm not taking drugs. »

Les Tremplins



Blaise Matuidi is french. He was born on 9 april 1987 in Toulouse. He is a soccer player in a french team. He is the champion of the world in 2018. I play football in the team of inter Miami FC.

the association to which he is sponsoring is « les tremplins ». The cause of the association is helping children in social school failure. He provides support to the hospitalized children to make them think of something else.



The picture is the logo from the association.

To help children defined a program and set up a process developing medium association as from donation. The program is hospitals visits for children and the children in difficult social adapting all kinds of the sports to their difference . He also organizes galas a year in the zeniths to explain to the persons what use this association that helps children find the smile a the children because also to the sport and for recovery of the fund for the association.

The public opinion is the children is in full bloom because the visit of the association regain confiance and help them believe in their dreams.

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Yannick Noah's social commitment

« Les Enfants De La Terre » is a french association created by Yannick Noah and his mother in 1988. This association helps children who are in hard situation .

If Yannick Noah is one of favorite french personality , it's not only because he is a famous singer and tennisman, that's also why he is involved in different charitable associations.



Yannick Noah is born the 18th may 1960 at Sedan, he is french. He is a famous tennisman. He won Roland-Garros tournament in 1983. Then, he became coach of french team which won the Davis Cup. During his coaching period, he sang and he created his first album.

Cause defended

Yannick Noah is the president of the association named « Les Enfants De La Terre » which welcomes children without house or family in « Maison Tendresse ». The main aim is to allow children to go on holiday in campaign. So they can go live a better life. Then, this association works with a hospital Robert-Debré in order to pay the transport and hotel of hospitalized children's parents. He also organizes concerts to finance the acquisition of these houses.

But his social and charitable commitment don't stop here...

In 1996, Yannick Noah also created an another association « Fête Le Mur » which allows poor children to play tennis. As x singer, Yannick Noah also participated in concert of « Les Enfoirés » for « Les Restos Du Coeur ».

Written by Antoine Guyot on 25th November 2020.

LEWIS HAMILTON MAKES AUTOMOTIVE SPORT POLITICAL

Lewis Hamilton, F1 pilot, 7 times world champion, vegan and member of BlackLivesMatter, changed the vision of the F1.

Lewis Hamilton is a F1 driver in Mercedes. He was born in January 1985 in Stevenage in the United Kingdom. He won 7 times world champion F1 driver tied with Michael Schumacher, he continued to ride, and he is probably the greatest F1 pilot in the world.

For the people who don't know L. Hamilton's engagement for the planet let's me introduce him. Lewis Hamilton was committed to defending the planet just in watching an animal documentary exploitation.

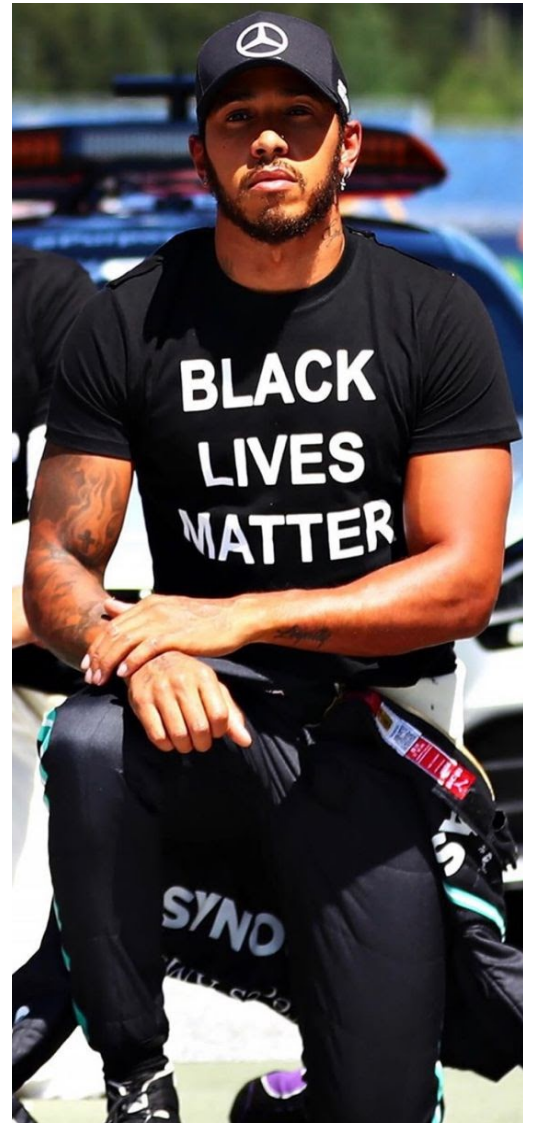
Yes, he was just watching the documentary, who deeply marked him. After that, he was thinking about animal protection for a long time and he finally took to the movement. He said he didn't want to represent

cruelty by destroying the planet and eating animals.

In order to keep his commitments, he became vegan and sold his jet. But, he wasn't satisfied so he posted regularly a tweet and a post on instagram to get people to react.

He supported the #BlackLivesMatter in the F1, actually Lewis

Hamilton was the first and only one black driver in F1. A lot of people criticized him in a racist way. When we win, he raises his fist and he puts a knee on the ground. He ordered his team to paint the car in a black color.



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His records and his political engagements make him a real icon of formula 1.

By MARIE Axel