



## Gaesdonck Parents' Letter

No. 6/2022-23

28.10.2022

Dear Gaesdonckers,

Certificate award ceremonies are undoubtedly one of the highlights of school life - especially when the achievements noted on them were more than satisfactory. So it was again a great pleasure for us this year to present the graduates of the **Advanced Class Business Economics of 2020/2022** with their certificates of completion of the four-semester course of excellence.

The comparatively small class achieved really good results, of which not only the participants themselves, but also the responsible head of the Advanced Class, Mr Bours, were justifiably proud. After all, the students not only took home the Gaesdonck certificate, but also a Cambridge language certificate and a certificate from the Chamber of Industry and Commerce .

Our special congratulations go to Jonas Janßen, who completed the course with the rare dream grade of 1.0!



## Open Day

Our Open Day this year will take place on **Saturday 03 December 2022**. As every year, the day is a compulsory school day for all students of all types of attendance. Regarding the concrete organisation, we will come back to you in the next few weeks.

## Counselling days (former parent consultation days)

On **24 and 25 November 2022**, our counselling days for the first school semester will take place. The afternoon of 24 November and the whole of 25 November are free of lessons. There will be no day care at the boarding houses on either day. More information on the organisation will follow in due time.

## Monday, 31 October is not a bridge day

Just a friendly reminder that Monday 31 October before All Saints' Day is not a bridge day but a normal school day.

## Long free weekend from 11 to 14 November

Due to the Pedagogical Conferences on Friday, 11 November as well as the Pedagogical Day on Monday, 14 November, there will be an extra-long weekend for our students. Before your children get too excited: The two days are free of lessons, but they are considered study days – the students receive assignments that have to be completed by the next lesson.

Please note that normal classes, possibly with afternoon classes, will take place on Thursday, 10 November. The day boarding activities will also take place as usual. Please let us know in good time whether your boarding or day boarding child will be staying on Thursday afternoon or whether he/she will be going home.

## Admission procedure for the school year 2023/2024 has begun

Do you still have a child who will finish primary school at the end of this school year and would like to join us at Gaesdonck next school year? As of this week, you can again request the registration documents on our website.

You can find more information at [www.gaesdonck.de/sextaneranmeldung/](http://www.gaesdonck.de/sextaneranmeldung/). Please feel free to pass this information on to other parents who are interested in the Gaesdonck.

## The Juvenat film about the day boarding houses is online!

It was a bit exciting when a few weeks ago our day boarding pupils were accompanied by a cameraman in the Juvenat to show their houses to possible prospective students for the upcoming Sexta.

Since last week, the clip has also been online on our YouTube channel.

[Click here](#) for the film.





## Special Studium Generale event with Prof. Sönke Neitzel

In cooperation with the German Atlantic Society e.V. and the Centre for Air Operations in Kalkar, we are able to offer our upper school students and you as parents a special lecture evening of the **Studium Generale**, which contains a highly topical explosiveness in view of the events in Ukraine and the reactions of German politics ("100 billion package").

The renowned expert on military history **Prof. Dr. Sönke Neitzel**, Chair of Military History at the University of Potsdam, who is well known from the media, will speak on **Thursday, 17.11.2022 at 7:30 pm** in the Gaesdonck Aula on the development and changing understanding of the role of the Bundeswehr since the 1950s. Neitzel is known for his precise analyses and clear words and is sure to be able to succinctly classify current developments and challenges. We are looking forward to this special guest.



Warm invitation!

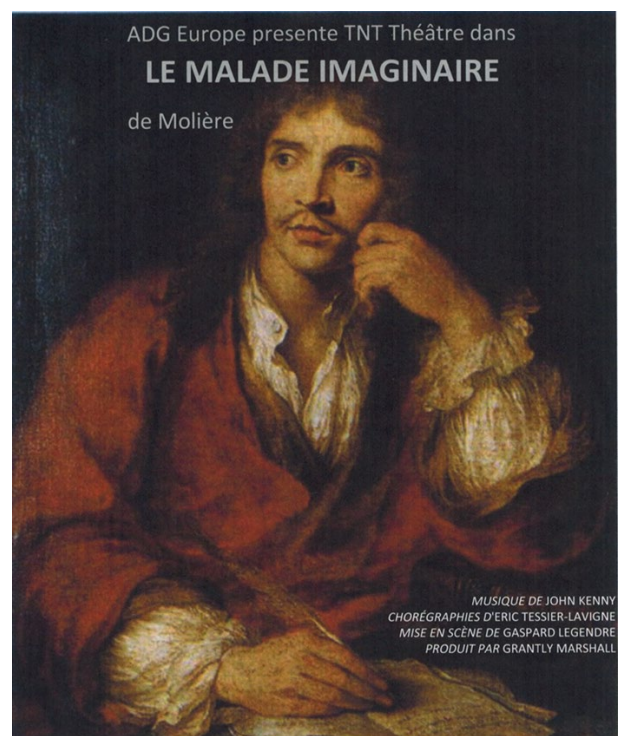
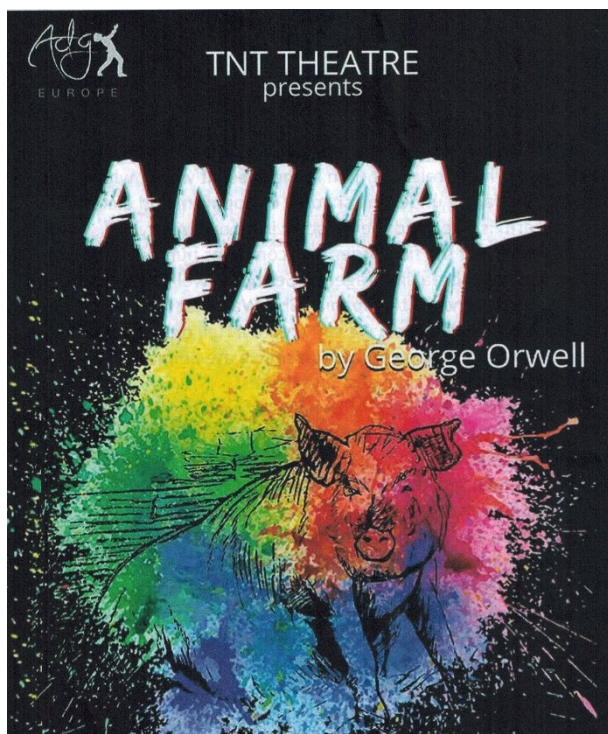
## Foreign Language Theatre

It is also a real enrichment of school life that, after the long Covid restrictions, the foreign language theatre at the Gaesdonck has resumed "normal speed".

On **02.11.**, the well-known English-language play "Animal Farm" by George Orwell will be performed for the students of the Sexta to the Quarta (5th-7th grade) as well as for the Lower and Upper Primary (Q1 and Q2).

Two weeks later, on **18 November**, there will be a guest performance in French of "Le Malade Imaginaire" by Molière.

You will find the posters of both performances in the appendix.



## Procedure for leaves of absence

Leave of absence from lessons or school events that concern **periods directly before or after holidays or longer periods of leave of absence** must be approved by the school administration in accordance with school law. Unfortunately, the school law provides very clear rules in this regard. In order to simplify the procedure, we have provided you with a [form](#) for these cases in the download area of our website.

Please continue to discuss "simple" leaves of absence on individual school days without reference to the holiday periods directly with the respective class or level head.

## Connection to lessons via teams in case of illness

If a student has to stay at home due to illness, it is generally **not planned to add him/her to the lessons via teams**. Please understand this, because your children should recover.

In individual cases (e.g. Covid quarantine without or with only weak symptoms of illness), individual arrangements with the subject teachers are possible in .

## Charity Concert Lachen helfen e.V.

Last but not least, we would like to remind you of the **charity concert of the Luftwaffenmusikkorps Münster** in the week after next on **Tuesday, 08.11.** at the Gaesdonck. The concert starts at 20:00, admission is from 19:00. For many years, this joint event of the German Armed Forces base in Kal kar-Kleve, the town of Goch and the Gaesdonck has been collecting donations for the association Lachen helfen e.V., which supports aid projects in particular for children in war and crisis zones.



Maybe I'll see you around.



By the way: Take a look once for a while at the [news section](#) of our website. Latest you will find a nice report by Erwin Nowak and Katharina Stefanski about the trip of the German and History courses to Weimar...

*Whether Goethe is asleep or not – Either way, we wish you and your families a wonderful and relaxing weekend at home!*

Dr Markus Oberdörster  
Director

Sabine Schleede-Schmalz  
Headmistress

Michael Gysbers  
Head of Boarding School





TNT THEATRE  
presents

# ANIMAL FARM

by George Orwell



Adapted by **Paul Stebbings**  
Directed by **Gaspard Legendre**  
Produced by **Grantly Marshall**

 Die Beauftragte der Bundesregierung  
für Kultur und Medien

GASTSPIEL IN ENGLISCHER SPRACHE

## Collegium Augustinianum Gaesdonck

**2. November 2022, 10:00 Uhr**

Karten: Gaesdonck Tel. 02823/9610

Den Bühnentext kann man von uns kostenlos per E-Mail erhalten.

Gefördert durch die Beauftragte der Bundesregierung für Kultur und Medien.

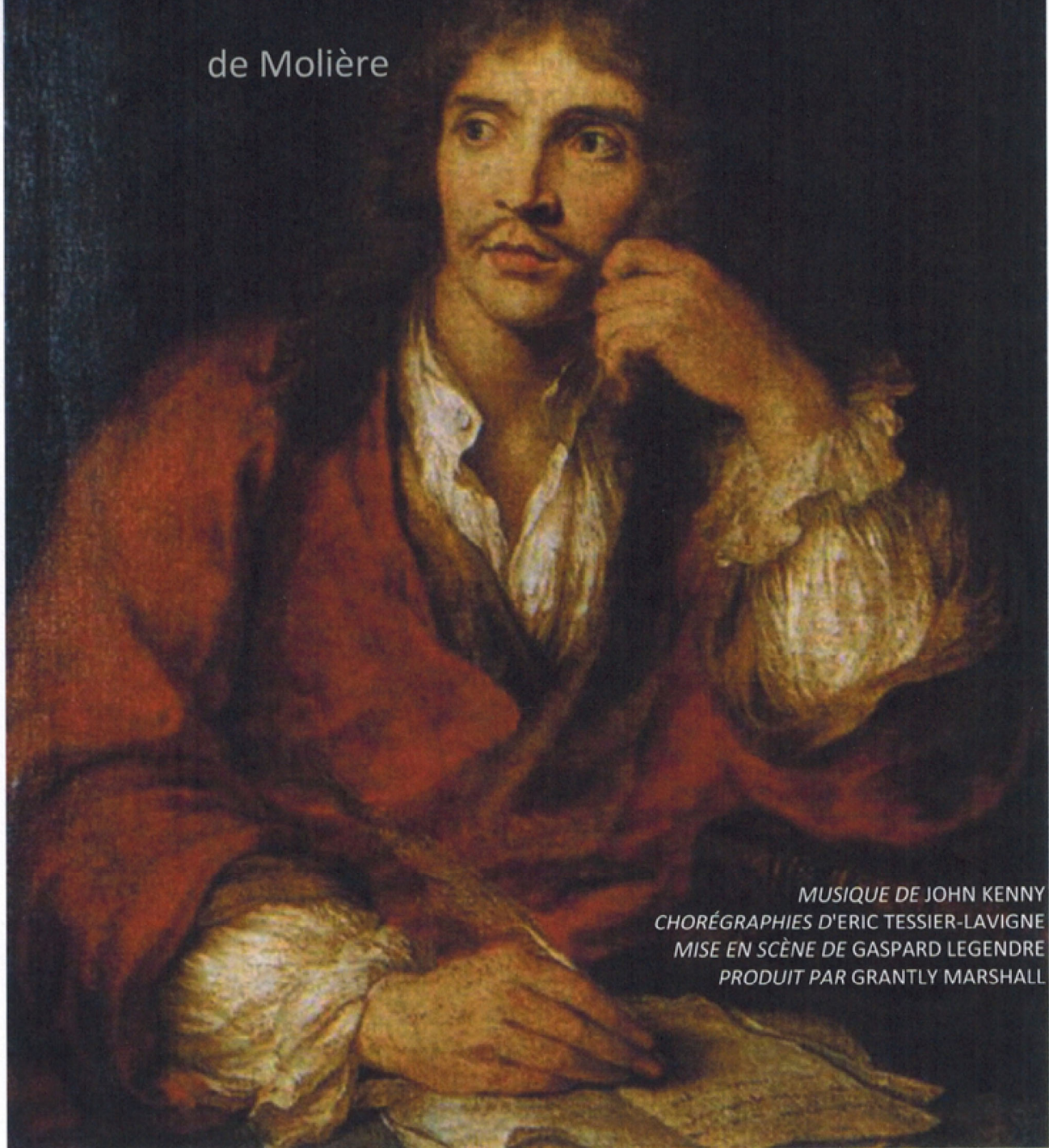




ADG Europe presente TNT Théâtre dans

# LE MALADE IMAGINAIRE

de Molière



MUSIQUE DE JOHN KENNY  
CHORÉGRAPHIES D'ERIC TESSIER-LAVIGNE  
MISE EN SCÈNE DE GASPARD LEGENDRE  
PRODUIT PAR GRANTLY MARSHALL

MUSIQUE DE JOHN KENNY LIVRET DE JESSICA SARAF CHORÉGRAPHIES DE MARTIN-MATTHIAS YSEBAERT

GASTSPIEL IN FRANZÖSISCHER SPRACHE

## Collegium Augustinianum Gaesdonck

**18. November 2022, 10:00 Uhr**

Karten: Gaesdonck Tel. 02823/961 121

Den Bühnentext kann man von uns kostenlos per E-Mail erhalten.

Karten: 8 Euro für Schüler\*innen und Begleitpersonen  
10 Euro für Erwachsene