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## **N EXCEPTIONAL MATCH OF THE NBA IN PARIS PAYS A TRIBUTE TO THE BASKETBALL**

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#### **THE PROGRAM WILL BE ORGANIZED SEVERAL EVENTS-----**

A free NBA House will be open to the general public from January 23 to 26 in the Halle des Blancs Manteaux (4th); the opportunity to discover the NBA universe and live a unique interactive basketball experience. Coaching sessions organized by NBA coaches (including Joe Prunty, a famous American coach) for basketball clubs and Parisian coaches, UNSS graduates and elementary school students. The gates of the Tour Saint Jacques will host a photo exhibition dedicated to the career of the French international player now retired from the ranks of the NBA, Tony Parker.

Two esports tournaments on the NBA 2K20 game will be organized for members of Parisian basketball clubs.

Since October, an initiation program in sports journalism has been organized for CM1 and CM2 students who have followed the preparation of the event and who will be present on D-Day, in mixed zone, alongside journalists accredited to lead to the publication of a special edition of a sports newspaper for children called "little dunk". Basketball will continue to be in the spotlight during school sports games from February 3 to 7, 2020.

#### **ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAM**

Saturday January 18:

- esports tournament around the game NBA2K20 at the Maison du sport (20th)

Sunday January 19:

- NBA2K20 esports tournament - Charlety Stadium

- Inauguration of the "Duperré" basketball court in Pigalle (9th arrondissement), a famous Parisian playground, completely renovated for the occasion.

Wednesday, 22nd of January :

- Visit of NBA players to the service of sick children at Necker Hospital

Friday January 24:

- NBA PARIS GAME 2020, NBA regular season game at 9 p.m. at the AccorHotels Arena (12th): CHARLOTTE HORNETS vs MILWAUKEE BUCKS

Sunday January 26:

- Chinese New Year Game: match and events around the PARIS BASKETBALL vs AIX MAURIENNE match at the AccorHotels Arena (12th).

From Friday 20 to Sunday 26 January:

- Tony Parker exhibition on the gates of the Square de la Tour Saint-Jacques

From Sunday 19 to Thursday 23 January:

- Organization of NBA Clinics, coaching sessions for coaches and young Parisian and Ile-de-France basketball players by the NBA.

From Thursday 23 to Sunday 26 January:

- NBA House - Halle des Blancs Manteaux

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