

## Ateliers au collège Simone Veil de La Batie Neuve

Des ateliers de pratique théâtre menés par Emilie Prévosteau, assistante à la mise en scène du spectacle *Arthur et Ibrahim* ont eu lieu au collège Simone Veil du 3 au 6 avril.

Ces ateliers de 2h étaient destinés aux 4 classes de 6<sup>ème</sup> du collège.



Around the spectacle *Arthur et Ibrahim* that the students have all seen, the intervenante has proposed exercises around imagination, memory, concentration.

In the first exercise, the students are in a circle; the instruction given consists of saying their name, giving their gaze to everyone and associating a gesture, and defining themselves with an adjective. The students were surprised to find themselves in difficulty with something as simple as; they discovered that it is difficult to be looked at, to dare to say things about oneself and for some, to find positive adjectives defining.

In a second time, a student proposes to redo a gesture, all together, on the tempo given by the student inventor of the gesture. It had to be concentrated and coordinated and this exercise was supposed to make emerge a group dynamic.

Then Emilie Prévosteau proposes to do an exercise that rests on memory and the ability to imagine. From the words *différence, émigration, racisme, ressenti, changement, soumission*, it is necessary to invent a new definition, two by two as in a dialogue. Then when all the definitions are pronounced, to be able to redo them.

Then the students worked on the text, starting from the intentions given by Emilie.

The last exercise consists of « telling your dream country » by giving it a name.

In the end the students express themselves freely and spontaneously on what they have just lived. After hesitant beginnings (some remaining very withdrawn with a lot of difficulties to « do »), all, even the most timid, became very willing to play the scenes proposed, and all invented their dream country with sometimes a lot of poetry and inventiveness.

They said they liked: to imagine, to speak in front of everyone, to concentrate and... « to have confidence » !

