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Maya: Good morning, Paris, and welcome to your Paris Morning Briefing. It is Wednesday, October seventh, twenty twenty-six.

Devon: Bonjour, Maya the rain arrived, I see.

Maya: Right on schedule, Devon. Wednesday's the turn, and the sky is holding nothing back.

Devon: How wet are we talking?

Maya: Today: highs near sixty-eight, lows around fifty-seven moderate rain, a ninety-three percent chance, winds near twelve miles an hour.

Devon: Keep the umbrella within reach, then.

Maya: Thursday eases a little but not much: sixty-one at the high, fifty at the low, a forty-eight percent chance of showers, winds near twelve.

Devon: And Friday?

Maya: Showers again: sixty-three and forty-six that forty-six is the coldest morning of the stretch a fifty percent chance of rain, winds near eleven.

Devon: Saturday gives us a breather?

Maya: Drier: sixty-four and fifty-five, overcast, just a thirty-three percent chance of showers, winds near twelve.

Devon: Sunday for the race?

Maya: Overcast and calm: sixty-four at the high, fifty-two at the low, only an eight percent chance of rain, light winds near six. Good running weather, honestly.

Devon: Monday?

Maya: Morning fog, then dry: sixty-six and forty-five, a twelve percent chance of rain, winds near six.

Devon: And the weekend after next teases something warm?

Maya: Tuesday, the thirteenth: seventy-five and fifty-five, overcast but dry, just a thirteen percent chance of rain, winds near seven. Autumn is playing hard to get.

Devon: So the headline is: wet through Friday, drier from the weekend, and warmer next week. Now the sky tonight, Maya?

Maya: Let us be honest: the sky is not cooperating tonight.

Devon: Sunset?

Maya: Seven seventeen, with true astronomical darkness after nine o'clock. The moon is a thin waning crescent, just thirteen percent lit it does not rise until about four in the morning, so the whole evening is moonless.

Devon: Which would be great for stargazing

Maya: if the clouds would leave. Saturn is up there, twenty-five degrees above the southeast horizon after dark, bright and unmistakable, and with binoculars you could catch its rings. But under tonight's rain, that is theoretical.

Devon: No space station passes to console us either?

with winemakers and producers, the grand parade, and the closing ball on Sunday.

Maya: And on Saturday, the Apple Festival takes over Boulevard de Clichy, ten in the morning to eleven at night.

Devon: Indoors, also opening today: Remember Me at the Bourse de Commerce around seven hundred photographs from the Pinault Collection, by more than seventy artists.

Cartier-Bresson, Irving Penn, Cindy Sherman, Annie Leibovitz, Man Ray running October seventh through mid-January.

Maya: And dance: the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater opens tonight at the Palais des Congrès, running through Sunday with two programs blending the Ailey legacy with contemporary works.

Devon: To the news, where the story dominating France continues: the student protests.

Maya: Tuesday's national day of action turned out hundreds of thousands the Interior Ministry counted some two hundred fifty thousand students nationwide, with fifty-six thousand demonstrators in Paris alone.

Devon: Most of them converging on Place de la Nation, in the east of the capital the same square that served as a gathering point back in May nineteen sixty-eight.

Maya: In Paris, ninety people were arrested and several shop windows damaged; nationwide, the total for the day reached four hundred eighty-eight, with more than forty officers injured.

Devon: The unrest has been ugly in places. In the suburbs, a one-year-old was hit by a firework outside a barricaded school at Saint-Cyr-l'École and taken to hospital with tinnitus a high school student has been arrested.

Maya: Prime Minister SØbastien Lecornu has now ordered high school lessons suspended until Friday, so teachers and pupils can hold internal debates about school conditions.

Devon: The movement started over school resources and funding and it is not calming yet. Which leads to story two: getting around Paris this week.

Maya: The protest's shadow hangs over the network: six metro stations closed in the eleventh arrondissement on Tuesday Oberkampf, Charonne, Voltaire among them on lines five and nine.

Devon: Then the weekend: works hit the R E R and Transilien, and Sunday's twenty-kilometer race swamps the western districts so metro lines six, eleven, and thirteen shut down all Sunday for modernization.

Maya: Three metro lines down on race day. Check the Île-de-France MobilitØs or R A T P site before you leave, because the weekend will not forgive improvisation.

Devon: Which brings us to story three: that race the Paris twenty kilometers returns Sunday, October eleventh.

Maya: Starting beneath the Eiffel Tower, a scenic course through the west of the capital a legendary run, and a charity one: proceeds go to the GrØgory Lemarchal Association, fighting cystic fibrosis. Thousands of runners expected at the start line Sunday morning. Runners, allow extra time for those metro closures:

