

The visit from the Vanuatu Women In Sports Commission ladies

On the 20th of May 2019, five ladies from the Vanuatu Women In Sports Commission came to visit our class, the year 10 class from the French school Lycée JMG le Clézio, for an interview.



On the left side, Jessica a volunteer in VWISC, beside her Chi Chi a beach volleyball club coach, in the center Linlin, a beach volleyball player representing Vanuatu, to her right Anolyn Lulu a table tennis player representing Vanuatu

and more, not forgetting Jill a journalist. All of the ladies are part of the Vanuatu In Sports Commission.

Anolyn Lulu, a member of VWISC in an athlete, she plays table tennis at a high level, she has been playing since the age of 15, she is also a team manager, team official as well as a coach, on top of that she also teaches a Zumba class, all the while being a mother, what a busy woman! She has attended one Olympic game, participated in the 2012 Olympic Games, 5 Pacific Games and 3 Mini Games.

Anolyn has just been entitled the first Vanuatu Sports Woman of the Year, she is a role model for many young women even though she was told sports wouldn't provide what she needed for her family, but it has, how inspiring! Indeed, sport has had an impact on this athlete's life, "Sport has changed my mind and heart, it builds my life, it breaks down barriers, and it gives me a strong will to say no to things that could possibly have a negative impact on my life, like alcohol and smoking."

Linlin, a beach volleyball player since the age of 16, the first Common Wealth bronze medalist for Vanuatu, talked to us about her difficulties in sports, one of them is that volleyball is a sport that is not played so much in Vanuatu, and that she traveled to play volleyball against other teams who had a high level, she

didn't win against them, although it encouraged her to practice even harder when she got back, she went back and won against a high leveled Brazilian team. Linlin's family supported her and that is very important for women in sports.

Jessica and Jill talked about how women in sport have to be promoted and acknowledged, if not what women do in sport is not important, and the better women play the more they get advertised. Also that family support is compulsory for women in sport.