

*Leaders PSG host Angers with
Messi and Neymar, without
Mbappé*



PSG vs Angers

Paris, January 11 (PL)-- Leaders PSG will host bottom side Angers in the 18th round of French soccer today in this capital, with Lionel Messi and Neymar returning to the lineup, while Kylian Mbappé remains rested.

The Parc des Princes will welcome the Argentine star for the first time since he was crowned world champion in Qatar on December 18, the last game played by Leo, who is expected to be given a warm, albeit unceremonious, welcome by the Rouge et Bleu fans.

However, PSG fans will continue without seeing their full galactic trident in action, because despite the reinstatement of Messi and Neymar, following a suspension for the Brazilian and his rest in the Coupe de France, Mbappé is still out and his return to training will be this week.

The capital side will go into tonight's clash against the bottom side in Ligue1 on 44 points, four ahead of runners-up Lens, who visit Strasbourg, and eight ahead of Olympique de Marseille, who also play on the road against Troyes.

PSG lost their unbeaten start to the 2022-2023 soccer season on Sunday, January 1, going down 1-3 at Lens, and then eliminated third-division Châteauroux by the same scoreline in the round of 32 of the Coupe de France on Friday.

All 20 teams in Ligue 1 will be on the pitch on Wednesday for matchday 18, which will see the most evenly matched fixture on paper being the visit of Monaco (33 points and fifth-placed) to Lorient (31, sixth).

The rest of the challenges will be: Stade Brestois-Lille, Clermont-Rennes, Nantes-Olympique de Lyon, Auxerre-Toulouse, Ajaccio-Reims and Nice-Montpellier.

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