

- **Parent Teacher interviews next week**
- **Exceptional Closure Wednesday 20 for interviews**
- **Half-term break Thursday 28 to Monday 1st Inclusive School re-opens Tuesday 2nd.**
- **PTA sale Thursday 18th November**

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Primary 7 Visit to Stormont

On Friday 8th October Primary 7 Accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Priestley travelled to Parliament Buildings, Stormont for a guided tour from the Education Service. This is what Jonathan Sharpe a Primary 7 pupil wrote about his day.

".. We arrived at 10.05 and got off the bus and went through security and got a pass.

We were about to go in when Mr. Priestley took our picture outside as we looked down we could see the endless driveway. We then went into the Great Hall where we were met by our tour guide called James who took us to the Education Room. Before going there we went into the toilets—they were bigger than my bedroom!!

...later James told us the stories of the chandeliers— during World War 2 King George VI realized

that he had a German Chandelier hanging in Windsor Castle so he thought he should get rid of it so he gave it to Stormont. After the war they asked for it back but Stormont wanted to keep it so



Primary 7 in the Great Hall at Parliament Buildings Stormont. Included in the photo is Mr. D Kennedy MLA

then there was an argument and in the end we were able to keep it."

During the visit the class got to go into the Assembly Chamber where they held a debate that we had

prepared in class. The debate was on whether Primary School Homework should be abolished. The class had elected their own Speaker to keep order and after many passionate speeches the motion was defeated and Homework remains in place! It was noted that more sense had been spoken during our debate than normally is heard in the Chamber on Mondays and Tuesdays!!

Mr. Danny Kennedy MLA came and talked to our group and explained some of how the Assembly operates.

On our return journey to school we called in at the Ulster Museum to see their Rainforest Exhibits for our project work.

Everyone had a great day and it gave us all an understanding of how our Government works and how decisions are made which affect all of us.

Primary 4 Visit to Moneypenny's Lock

Primary 4 enjoyed a trip to Moneypenny's lock on Tuesday 28th September.

They got to travel back in time and found out about the life of a lockkeeper and his family.

The children discovered that the Newry Canal had been used to transport materials and that the lockkeeper, Henry Moneypenny

had an important role to play. As well as collecting the toll for passing through the lock gates he also recorded details of the lighters (boats) and their cargoes.

Back in class P 4 have been able to dress up as the Moneypennys and act out various roles. They also enjoyed making butter the old fashioned way.

Primary 4 @ Moneypennys



Primary 3 Posh Bears Brunch



Primary 3 with Mrs. Andrews and Mrs. Best recently held their Posh Bears Brunch.

The class had made ties or bow ties to make their Teddy Bear into a Posh Bear!!

On the day of the brunch the class

Posh Bears ready for their brunch!

made four types of sandwiches—ham, jam, cheese and tuna.

Outside before their brunch they played hunt the bear, sang songs and heard stories. Everyone including the Posh Bears had a great time.

Even Mr. Priestley's very old Teddy Bear got an invitation!!



Primary 3 and their bears enjoying their brunch and the sunshine!

Primary 6 and 7 in Peace III Project

Over the last 6 weeks our Primary 6 and 7 classes have been involved in a project with St Anthony's Primary School, Craigavon. This project has been funded by Peace III. The pupils have been able to participate in dance, music, singing and art work. On occasion the sessions were held in Moyallon and on other times in St Anthony's. The project culminated with a performance day on Thurs-

day 21st in the Seagoe Hotel.

The children learned some set dances, how to play tunes on the tin whistle, learned some of our traditional old song like "I'll tell me ma when I go home..." and constructed a wonderful collage.

Thanks go to the All-Set team of Ian and Mary who set up the programme and to Mrs. Hanlon and Mrs. Priestley for managing it in school.



Primary 1 Nursery Rhyme Day

Primary 1 had a great time on their come to school as a Nursery Rhyme Character Day on Friday 22nd October.

The rest of the school enjoyed seeing all the characters at assembly.

This day is part of the Primary 1 Topic on Nursery Rhymes which includes work on Language and Literacy, Mathematics and Nu-

meracy, P.E., Play-Based Learning, WAU (World Around Us – Geog, History and Science), PDMU and The Arts.

Thanks to parents for all the hard work at home in preparation for this event.



Primary 1 pupils as Pat-a-Cake and Jack who has just tumbled down the hill!

Foreign Languages @ Moyallon



Le Club Francais

Mrs. Shepherd with pupils at their French Club held on Wednesday afternoon. Another French Club for Primary 2 and 3 is held on Friday after school. The pupils enjoy learning about the French language through Autumn, French

food, colours, months of the year, days of the week etc.

Spanish Lessons

This year we are fortunate to be able to employ a Spanish assistant to work with two classes on a Thursday.

Marie del Mar Sahuco Armijo (Thankfully just Marie) takes Primary 3 and 5 and is introducing them to Spanish. They will all be fluent for next years summer holiday!!

Marie with pupils during a Primary 5 Spanish lesson.
Do you know what these French



words mean?
bonjour rouge vert
lundi chien la tete
pomme-de-terre

Cash for Clobber

Details on the back page



Countdown to Christmas

PTA Countdown to Christmas

Our PTA have organized a Countdown to Christmas to take place in school on Thursday 18th November from 7 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Tickets for the event costing £3 (Adults Only) will be available from Tuesday 2nd November onwards from your child's class teacher. The admission price includes supper.

There will be a variety of stalls selling a range of items so you can stock-up for Christmas.

If you wish to have a stall for £10 you can contact Mrs. Belch for details.

A thank you to the members of the PTA for their hard work and we look forward to a good attendance on the night.

Two dodgy looking stall holders from last year!!!



Child Protection

Child Protection is a very important part of our responsibilities to the children in our care.

The whole staff work together and everyone, including non-teaching staff and teachers have received training in this field.

There are a number of the staff who have specific responsibilities in this area and they are Mr. Priestley Principal, Mrs. Belch

Designated Teacher for Child Protection and Mrs. Best Deputy Designated Teacher for Child Protection.

At your parent/teacher interview over the next week you will receive an information leaflet on Child Protection which gives some details but the full policy can be found on our web site at www.moyallonps.co.uk.



Certificate Winners—well done to everyone who received a certificate!!



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**Friday 22nd. October
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Primary 2 Pupils Pirate Ship

Following their Pirate Day in Primary 2 pupils
made this fantastic Pirate Ship during their
activity time.

Shiver me timbers!!



Moyallon News

PI Intake September 2011

If you have a child at home who is due to start school in September 2011 can you ensure that we have their details so that we can provide you with an application form in January. Knowing about our future enrolment helps us as a school with our forward planning.

Poppy Appeal

We will be holding a collection in school from Monday 8th November on behalf of the British Legion Poppy Appeal. This organization supports past and present service personnel. It would be appreciated if you

could send in a small donation.
Thank you.

Christmas Dinner

Thursday 9th December

Christmas Performances

Primary 1-3

“ Bethlehem’s Buzzin’ “

Tuesday 14th December

9.30 a.m.

Primary 4-7 Concert

Wednesday 15th December

9.30 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.

All in the School Assembly
Hall

Half-Term Break

School will be closed from Wednesday 27th October to Monday 1st November (Inclusive) and will reopen at 8.30a.m. on Tuesday 2nd November. This includes 1 exceptional closure.

PTA Cash for Clobber

Sort out your wardrobe for winter and send us in your unwanted clothes on Thursday 5th November and the PTA can turn them into cash for the school.