

SULLIVAN UPPER PREP

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REMINDERS

- Sat 23rd Good luck to Prep 7s for AQE tomorrow!
- Lower Prep Nativity Tues 10th Dec @ 10am & 1.30pm; Wed 11th Dec @ 10am - all in Drama Theatre - Tickets will be released next week.
- Upper Prep Christmas Service Thurs 12th Dec at 7pm in First Presbyterian Church in Holywood

PE REMINDERS

- Rugby coaching: Unfortunately, our coach was unable to make the sessions today - we will keep you posted about re-scheduling dates
- Badminton: Badminton Ireland are sending us a coach to take P5 and P6 on a Friday during PE. This is a brilliant opportunity and we can't wait to see what new skills we learn!
- Football: league matches are on Thursday - details will follow via permission slips on Monday
- P4 will be doing hockey on Monday & Wednesday next week. Please make sure they have their kit both days

Road Safety Week

This is Road Safety Week and the theme of this year is **Step up for Safe Streets**. We have been learning how to do this in our classes and in Assembly today. Our Prep Buddies were teaching each other about the job of a lollipop man and how to cross the road safely. Remember, you must always Stop, Look and Listen!



Action Cancer Coffee Morning

Prep 6 have been extremely busy this week. On Monday Prep 6 pupils were the entertainment act at the Action Cancer Coffee Morning at the Culloden Hotel for a huge annual event which kick-starts the festive season, with stalls to browse and shop. Prep 6 sang a selection of Christmassy cheery songs, wearing Santa hats and reindeer antlers to an audience of 330 people! Lots of parents, aunties, grannies and friends were there, so plenty of familiar faces. The children sang beautifully and fulfilled their role superbly. Well done, Prep 6.



Reptiles in Prep 6

On Tuesday Catherine Bennett from Animal Allsorts came to visit the Prep 6 classroom, as part of our Living Things Topic.



She brought with her some of her very exotic reptiles. The class shared their extensive knowledge about animal classification and gained hands-on experience, by holding, touching and watching the animals. The jaguar python was a huge favourite, measuring about 2 metres long. We were allowed to hold him and stroke him as he slithered over our arms! Many of us conquered our fears as we got up close to the tarantula. We couldn't believe how fluffy it was. Timothy the tortoise entertained us during the whole session as he was determined to be out and about and refused to go back in his box! The bearded dragon was another firm favourite. He was a beautiful reddish colour which blends into the sands in Australia. The other animals included a gecko, a scorpion and a tree frog. What a great afternoon; be sure to ask Prep 6 more about it.



Prep 5 visit from Holywood Fire-Fighters

The Prep 5 class was delighted to welcome Carlos and Lewis, our local fire-fighters, into our class on Thursday.

Esme was able to try on the protective clothing and we learned lots about fire safety. Our pupils impressed them with their knowledge and thoughtful questions. We also discussed safe bedtime routines and practices in the home - a vital topic for all of our pupils.



Prep 3 1950's Mount Stewart Estate Party

Prep 3 journeyed to Mount Stewart on Thursday to experience a 1950's Christmas Estate party. Nanny Crow the Governess, Mrs Berry the Cook and Mrs Tick the Teacher led Prep 3 around to help

Lady Elizabeth and Lady Rose prepare for their party at the Estate. We weighed out rationed ingredients for a Christmas cake, made pop up Christmas cards and painted pine cone tree decorations decorated with the Londonderry's family colours. Following that, we visited Lady Elizabeth and Lady Rose's nursery and saw their new Christmas decorations and some of last year's toys. Nanny Crow hadn't a clue what we were talking about when we tried to tell her about colour television and a remote control! Some of us had to remind each other that it was indeed 1950 (a long time ago)! We listened to (and joined in with) 'Twas The Night Before Christmas, a Christmas Eve tradition in many homes, even today in 2019. To top off our trip, we sang Christmas carols, including a really new song in 1950 called Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer. Mrs Tick was very impressed that we knew all the words to such a new song! Thank you to the

staff at Mount Stewart for such a lovely day and to our parent helpers who enabled our trip. Well done, Prep 3, for being so enthusiastic and well mannered.



Congratulations to Seren, Prep 6, for coming joint 1st in the Intermediate Traditional Irish Solo playing the violin in the Holywood Festival - very well done, Seren!
