



Moldova News

Mrs Smith is off to Moldova !

Over the Half Term holiday, Mrs Smith will be flying out to Moldova.

Flying to Bucharest on the 24th May and then travelling for 4 hours by road to the Romanian/ Moldovan border, she will finally arrive in Burlacu, Moldova on the Sunday morning.

Whilst in Moldova, Mrs Smith will be involved in several projects.

Firstly, she will be able to visit the local school that we have established links with. They have asked her to do some teaching there which should be a challenge, as she will need to have an inter-

preter ! It is hoped that during this time, she will be able to distribute some of the 'Christmas Shoeboxes' that were kindly donated by the children at Christmas.

Secondly, Mrs Smith will journey north to Leova, to visit an orphanage and again distribute your donations of fleeces, sweets and toys.

Finally, returning to Burlacu, it is hoped that Mrs Smith can spend some time assisting and supporting the Street Children project.

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Special points of Interest

- ☺ Mrs Smith is off to Moldova.
- ☺ Percy the Lorry has arrived safely
- ☺ Fundraising day- Friday 16th May
- ☺ Money for street children project.

Percy the Lorry

One Saturday in April, Mrs Smith went along to meet Percy the Lorry !

Percy had arrived from Moldova to collect the aid that we have been collecting. All the shoe boxes that we filled at Christmas time, fleeces, sweets, computers and surplus school furniture had to be loaded onto the lorry.

The lorry then travelled back to Moldova. In assembly Mrs Smith showed the children pictures of the lorry arriving safely in Moldova.

So everything is ready for her visit.



Shoeboxes at Christmas

Journey of your parcels



Street Children Project/Non-Uniform Day

Burlacu village is typical of many villages in rural Moldova. Living conditions are very challenging and many adults are forced to find work out of Moldova in order to support their families. Children are left in the care of older relatives or other villagers whilst parents seek work. Sadly, for many children, older relatives pass away or parents do not return. Children

therefore have to provide for themselves. A project has been set up in Burlacu to feed these children with two meals a day and provide some basic care and attention. There are currently 25 children needing this level of support but numbers are increasing.

We would like to offer some financial support to this project. It costs approximately £60 per

month to feed these children.

Therefore on **Friday 16th May** we would like to have a **Non-uniform day** to raise funds that Mrs Smith could take and directly hand over to the **Street Children Project**.

Please send any donations in an envelope marked **Moldova Street Children**.

Continuing support

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the support of our Moldovan projects. We know that your help has a direct and long lasting impact on the people that we support in Moldova.

Children will be writing to the children in Moldova as well as following Mrs Smith's adventures there, both in assemblies and in class work.

If you are interested in finding out more about the work in Moldova or are able to offer additional support for any of the projects, please contact the school.

