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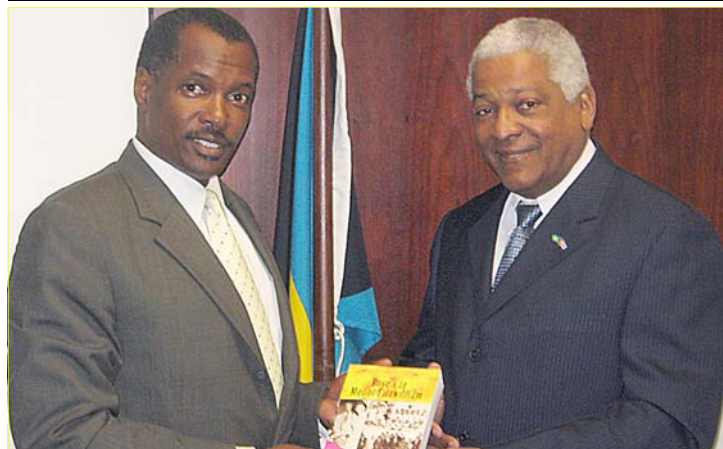
EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

- ▶ **8th March - 9:00 a.m. - Commonwealth Day.**
- ▶ **8th March - 11:45 a.m.** Courtesy Call on Minister of Education by the High Commissioner of India.
- ▶ **8th March - 5:05 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - As A Matter of Fact:** Modern Languages Week. Guests SEO (Donella Davis) and Cynthia Brown, Spanish Teacher at C.W. Sawyer Primary School. Hosted by Mr. John Burrows.
- ▶ **9th March - 5:05 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - As A Matter of Fact:** Sports in our High Schools. Guests: SEO (Keith Saunders) and Mr. Alfred Forbes, President GSSSA. Hosted by Mr. John Burrows.

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▶ **Contact Mrs. Cooper in Communications with information on upcoming events and activities. (Ph: 502-8576 or Fax: 356-0007).**

PHOTOS OF THE WEEK



His Excellency Jose Luis Ponce, Ambassador of the Republic of Cuba (right) made a book presentation during a recent courtesy call to the Minister of Education, The Hon. T. Desmond Bannister. (Photo by Nadege Philippe).



The Ministry of Education held a History Workshop for teachers at The College of Bahamas with Professor, Joyce Scott, from (Wheelock College) Boston Mass, USA (inset) and from left Kenga McIntosh (Mt. Carmel High School) and Edith Butler (Doris Johnson High School). (Photo by Sharon Poitier).



Students from Primary Schools on Cat Island accompanied by their teachers and other educators paid a courtesy call on the Minister of Education, The Hon. T. Desmond Bannister. (Photo by Nadege Philippe).

TIPS OF THE WEEK...

TELEPHONE ETIQUETTE



- Always answer the telephone promptly by stating your name and office.
- When making calls allow the telephone to ring for a reasonable length of time. It is frustrating to just get to the telephone and hear a dial tone.
- If you dial a wrong number apologize promptly and hang-up.
- If calling a business at the end of a long working day, do not delay the person at the other end of the line.
- State your name when placing a call. The game of "guess who this is" may not play very well to a busy friend.
- When speaking to anyone who is working remember that time is of the essence. Make your call informative and short.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

If all pulled in one direction, the world would keel over.
- Yiddish Proverb.



Minister of Education, The Hon. T. Desmond Bannister accompanied by The Hon. Lawrence Cartwright, Minister of Agriculture and Marine Resources and Member of Parliament for the island along with senior education officials recently toured schools in Long Island (Back row 4th right) to speak with staff and students. They are pictured with the students at Morrisville Primary School. (Photo by Valerie Gaitor).



Willard Patton Primary School held an Art Show and Exhibition at the school entitled "Through The Eyes of A Child." Viewing some of the art work was a three year old student, Janero Miller. (Photo by Nadege Philippe).