

PRIME MINISTER

Prime Minister *cc RUp*
This is not until Friday, but
you may like to glance this evening
at the proposed questions and arrangements.

INTERVIEW FOR "CHEGWIN CHECKS IT OUT"

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You are to give a recorded interview for the BBC TV programme "Chegwin Checks it Out" on Friday morning. The programme will be transmitted on Tuesday 18 October, the day you return from your visit to Poland. The programme has a large following and covers a wide variety of topics. It is watched by nine and ten year olds, as well as young teenagers.

The interview will be conducted by three children from the St Fisher and More High School, Widnes. They are Joanne Baggot (12); Clare Walsh (14); and Andrew Worthington (13). They were chosen because of the keen interest they showed when the programme visited their school.

Keith Chegwin will chair the interview to make sure there is some order to the interviewing.

The questions the young interviewers would like to put to you, although not necessarily in this order, are:

1. Do politicians think children are important?
2. Should there be a Minister for children?
3. Do you think politics should be taught in school?
4. Do you worry about being assassinated?
5. Could Britain do more towards releasing the hostages?
6. Is there any one thing that could be done to improve relationships between the Super Powers?
7. Why doesn't Britain impose sanctions against South Africa?
8. Where will you be when the bomb drops?
9. A lot of children are worried about nuclear war - does that worry you?

10. Why don't you visit the north and Scotland more often?
People feel you don't know what's going on. (You have been to Scotland on five occasions this year visiting Glasgow, Edinburgh, Greenock, Perth, Dundee, Aberdeen and Inverness. You have been to the North of England twice visiting Salford and Halifax and Scunthorpe).
11. Do you have any friends?
12. Wouldn't you rather be ordinary like everyone else?
13. What is your favourite food?
14. Do you enjoy your job?

There will be a make-up girl with the television crew. The interview will take place in the White Room. Simon Dugdale will be present.

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TERRY J PERKS
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Dear Miss Fisher

You wrote to me recently about the possibility of the Prime Minister appearing on "Chegwin Checks It Out".

I discussed this with the Prime Minister at a recent diary meeting and I am pleased to tell you that she has agreed to take part.

I need now, however, to have detailed discussions with you about the programme and also about the timing when the Prime Minister might be filmed as she has very few slots in her diary during the time you will be recording the programme.

Perhaps you could telephone me on 01-930-4433 so that we can make arrangements to meet.

Yours sincerely

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