## **Loirston Primary School**

This term has been a very busy and enjoyable term. We have had lots of activities happening in and around our school.

There has been a particular focus on our Eco work this term. Through their hard work and effort the school have secured both a bronze and silver award from Eco schools and are now well on their way to gaining their first green flag. The children have been working very hard at promoting this area. They have been carrying out a litter campaign in order to make our school community a nicer place to be.

Thanks to our parent Mrs. Russell

who works with Talisman Energy, as they made a very generous donation of providing the school with some new bins complete with the Loirston logo. Also many thanks to our parent body who have put in an enormous amount of time and effort into helping the children with their work in relation to being eco friendly. The school would also like to thank Mr and Mrs Greig, and the company Compass Print for their generous offer of converting children's anti litter posters into banners that can be hung up in the community. The eco committee has also been involved in carrying out a clean up morning around our school which was carried out on Monday 14th of March. This ran very successfully. Many thanks to all in the school and community who took part.

The school has started a gardening club this term and has been working very hard to develop this area. They have secured some funds from Dobbies this month. The company has given the school a donation of £300 worth of tools and materials to allow pupils to start their own garden area. They have also been invited back to learn more about planting and other gardening techniques. A huge thank you to Dobbies for their generous donation of time and money.

This session our nursery has carried out a sponsored event to raise funds to develop our play area outside of the school. From the money raised we have extended our outdoor play facilities. You will notice our new addition outside. A playhouse has been bought and we are sure that this will be used extensively by our nursery pupils

Last month the school received a visit from HMIE. We are delighted to announce that the initial feedback has outlined the very good progress made by the school. The inspectorate has confirmed that they will have no further visits to the school in relation to their previous inspection. Personally I would like to extend huge thanks for the hard work and efforts of everyone involved in the ongoing work of the school. The report should be with us for distribution by the end of term.

Before the end of term we will also be involved in a number of other activities. This week will see some of our children compete in the local round of the Rotary Quiz alongside other schools in our associated school group. Good luck to all!

Also this week we will be having some Red Nose Day fun around the school "Doing something funny for the money!." We hope to raise lots of money to donate to this worthwhile cause.

As we end this eventful term the staff and pupils from Loirston would like to wish all in our community a very happy Easter.