

Loirston School

As we approach the end of this term here at Loirston we are realizing how quickly it has past and how happy we are that it has been virtually free from snow.

It has been very busy term again with a lot of enterprising events. *Our pupils have been developing their capacities as successful learners, confident individuals, responsible citizens and effective contributors.*

Our Primary one pupils have spent this term developing their *business and enterprise skills*. They have spent this term carrying out a project about fairyland – a cross curricular theme centred around a sad dragon leaves a slightly singed letter at the end of a glitter trail in their classroom, the children know something different is afoot! The dragon needs their help. Fairyland has disappeared and all his friends (Little Red Riding Hood, the 3 Bears etc) have nowhere to live. *The Primary one classes worked hard to develop their classes into a Fairyland and then set up a business involving running a café for the afternoon inviting parents and family in to visit their fairyland.*

Our Primary Two Pupils have also been developing their enterprise skills by *transforming their classes into a circus*. This cross-curricular project ended in the two classes *putting on a circus performance* (with clowns, acrobats etc) for their parents and carers and taking them on a tour of their learning in their classroom.

Our Primary five pupils transformed their classroom into *a scene from the Caribbean*. They too invited parents and families into the school and presented them with some quizzes. They also *conducted a tour of their Caribbean*

classroom and had a hall full of activities for their parents and carers to get involved in.

Our Primary Seven pupils have been *learning to knit for a*

very responsible cause. They have been carrying out a project relating to World War 2. As part of that they have been learning about *“Make do and Mend”* With this in mind they have decided to do some charity work for the *Knit a Square charity which helps Children affected with Aids in Africa*. Already the pupils have made many squares but they have also been very successful in appealing to the local community who have donated a lot of knitting to the school.

Two groups of pupils have also managed to successfully run a *health week* in the school. Aimee Munro and Craig Henderson wanted to do something to help out Cancer and Diabetes charities. From this they developed a health week with pupils from their classes. *They presented information to classes, ran some competitions and a tuck shop for a week in order to raise approximately £500 for both charities*. A superb effort by all!

Our Primary seven pupils this week have also been very successful in two competitions. *A team took part in the Rotary Quiz at Tullos this week and won the competition against other schools in the area*. The next round will be held in the summer term.



We also had a team of runners competing in a cross country event at Charleston. Both our girls and boys teams were very successful. Well done to all!

We are now looking forward to our well deserved Easter break.

On behalf of all of the staff and pupils here at Loirston we'd like to wish you a Happy Easter!

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