



LOIRSTON SCHOOL

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A Happy New Year from all at Loirston School. We are now very much back to school and in much better weather conditions than last year which is good news.

Already we have had a busy start to the term with the Primary one enrollment and nursery enrollment for next session. Application forms are available from our school office. Also Kincorth Academy has started their transition programme for our Primary Seven pupils. A meeting is due to take place at the Academy on Tuesday 24th January to begin this process.

We have had a lovely start to the term here with visitors from M & M Productions coming to the school to have a pantomime show of Jack and the Beanstalk. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Also this month our Primary Seven pupils will be going to see Kincorth Academy's production of Grease which I am sure you will be another superb show.

This term thanks to another very kind application from a Parent our Primary Six pupils will be getting a visit from the Generation Science Team. Debra Archibald managed to secure the visit for the school. The pupils will be involved in a Lego Mindstorm Challenge which is all about programming robots and bringing Lego to life. The session ends with hip hop dancing robots. I'm sure the pupils will thoroughly enjoy the learning experience.

We have had a great start to our fundraising for 2012 here at Loirston with a group of parents organizing a ladies night at Cove Rangers Social Club on Saturday 25th February. Tickets have sold out very quickly and I am

sure it will be a great evening for all who attend with Irish Bingo, a disco and a perfume trail. The staff and pupils would like to say a huge thank you to the group of mums who got together to organize this for our school funds. To mention but a few thanks to: Claire Whiffin, Kelly McGrogan, Debbie Garden, Jacqueline McDonald and Nicola Guyan.

Next week our Parent council will also be meeting to organize more fundraising events including Bingo nights and School Discos for 2012. The first school disco is already organized for the 21st February. Here at Loirston we have a hard working Parent Council who organized many events (including the large and very well attended Christmas Fayre) last year which raised significant amount of money for the school funds. A huge thank you to all companies in the area for all their kind donations which were put towards the Christmas raffle.. They really are gratefully appreciated. We would also like to thank Optima for their very kind and generous donation which was used towards the Christmas raffle for our pupils.

At the end of last year we had great success in our fundraising. Our Primary Seven pupils carried out the Micro Tyco business challenge and raised £1700 for the charity. Thanks to all the local companies who sponsored our calendars and cookbooks.

As this year begins we are looking forward to a busy term with many valuable learning experiences with hopefully lots of fun along the way.