

# LOIRSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

January 2016



A Happy New Year to all in the Cove Community from all here at Loirston. We are all back to work,

a fresh start and the beginning of another new year!

We have started back with a great deal of enthusiasm for the work that we will carry out this term.

Last term was exceptionally busy and we have a great deal to thank the Parents and local community for.

We had very successful Festive Events raising substantial amounts of money for both our School and local Charities.

Starting out at the beginning of December we had our annual **Christmas Fayre** which was really well attended and made significant funds for our school. Many thanks to our Parent Council who give up their time each year to organise it.

We also held our annual **Infant Christmas Show "Sugar Plum"** which went really well, feedback was very positive from all who attended. From the performances we made approximately £400 for Northsound cash for Kids. A huge thank you to all.

We also made nearly £300 for Save the Children by joining in the national **"Wear a Christmas Jumper" Day**.

We have had the most successful Christmas **"Sing a Long"** event ever and many thanks to all who came to hear our fabulous singing. The hall was awash with families and there was a great atmosphere all morning.

Our primary Sevens would also like to thank all the local companies who sponsored both their **Primary Calendar**, without their support it would not have been possible. Also a huge thank you to all

who purchased a calendar or two!

During December we also decided to support the **Aberdeen Food Bank** and we were overwhelmed with all the donations received from both businesses and individual families in the locality. **Instant Neighbour** were extremely grateful for all the donations and I am sure it made a difference to a great number of local families at Christmas Time.

This is only a fraction of the support Loirston School receives from all of the Cove Community during a whole school year and we continue to be extremely grateful for all that you do to support the work of the school.

This year we also received a very generous donation from the **Cove Gala Committee**. Our community lounge has been enhanced by a replacement oven and hob. We are very grateful for their donation and both the school and community groups will benefit from this resource. Thank you to all in the committee.

Onto a new year and with it some routine events:

Our annual enrolment process has now begun. Information is as follows:

## **Primary One Enrolment**

All children who will reach the age of five on or before the start of the new school session in August 2016 should begin to attend primary school in August 2016. Children who reach the age of five after the start of the new school session in August 2016, but before the last day of February 2017 may also be enrolled for primary school in August 2016.

You should visit the primary school of your choice to enrol your child. To register please take your child's Birth Certificate

and proof of your address to the school with you. Should you have missed this information please come along to school as soon as possible to enrol.

As this term goes on we look forward to sharing more of the hard work that goes on here at Loirston and hope to keep you up to date on all our developments. We are sure 2016 will be both a busy and productive year.

At this time I would also like to let all in the Cove community know that this will be my last term as Head Teacher at Loirston. I have thoroughly enjoyed my seven years in post and I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge Thank You for all the support and encouragement that all in the community have offered me during my time here. It has been an absolute privilege and pleasure to work with you all and I am genuinely sad to be announcing my

departure. Loirston is a very hard place to leave.

As I reflect on the time I have spent at Loirston, I have a great sense of pride in all that we have accomplished as a school. Every success that the school has achieved has been down to the hard work and team effort of everyone involved with the school. I must also note my appreciation for the continued support I have received from staff who share a commitment to the care and achievement of all our pupils. Loirston pupils are a pleasure to work with and during my time here I have immensely enjoyed working with them and all in the school community. The school is in a very good place and I am sure it will continue to go from strength to strength. Many thanks for all that you do and will continue to do to support the school and its community.

*Kay Macdonald*  
Head Teacher

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