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Dear Parents and Carers,

Dunrossness Up Helly Aa: Friday 10th March. The P7 squad, led by the Guizer Jarl- Jade Paterson, did a grand job of leading the school down to the field where the burning of the galley took place. We were so lucky with sparkling on the snow. So many came to support the squad in the to welcome the SM Jarl - Jimmy and could host this tradition before snow. We hope the second the Jarl and the squad on 24th



field where the burning of the galley the weather, with the sun shining and parents, carers and community members morning and came again in the afternoon his squad. We were so pleased that we schools had to close early due to more

part of the festival will go well for March.



Comic Relief Day. Thank you to all who supported this fun day by wearing something red and bringing in their favourite joke - several of which were shared in assembly so a great way to end the week!



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Children's Parliament AI project. Draatsi class have been working hard along with 4 other schools across Scotland on the development of an AI strategy for Scotland through a variety of exciting investigations and TEAMS meetings with the Children's Parliament team. Now the three investigators - Peter, Freya and Andrew who have led the project have been invited to take part in the AI Summit in Glasgow to share what they have found out about AI and what is important for adults to consider when developing an AI strategy. A very exciting opportunity which will take place from 26th March to 29th March. Mrs Henderson and Mrs Finch will be accompanying the children on this trip. Mrs Smith will be teaching the rest of the class while Mrs Henderson is away and Mrs Moss, the school Quality Improvement Officer will be in the office covering Mrs Finch's role and will be available to answer any queries from parents. Mrs Wishart will cover Mrs Finch's teaching commitments over those three days.



NOOSC: *Unfortunately due to unforeseen family circumstances and a lack of relief staff we will not be running holiday club over the Easter Holidays. Many apologies for any inconvenience caused.*

Annual report: Your child's report should make its way to you on Friday, providing there are no technical issues as we are using a different system. The report should give you an idea of how your child is getting on in their learning, in particular their attitude to learning. It will also give information on your child's attendance as this is a key factor in your child's progress, as you will see in the SIC attendance leaflet attached. The school will contact you in the Summer term if your child's attendance is 85% and below to see if there any issues, beside normal childhood illness, that the school can support with. Please return the reply slip accompanying the report so that we know you have received it and if you have any queries please phone the school to make an appointment with your class teacher.

Celebration Assembly

Some of the key aspects of a growth mind-set are:

- Taking on challenges in learning
- Putting in effort
- Learning from mistakes and feedback- evaluating
- Not giving up- persevering
- Listening





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- Curiosity- asking questions
 - Courage to work with independence

This time these children were celebrated for their developing growth mind-set: Lucille, Rory, Anri, Andrew, Ella, Alexander, Eilidh, Leah.

NEXT WEEK- March 24th Rev Michelle McAdoo will be visiting in assembly to share thoughts about the Christian festival of Easter

Dates Term 3: These will be updated each newsletter.

20th March - Report to parents this week

27th March - Parent request appointments with teachers this week

31st March - Last day of term

17th April - start of Term 4

Kind regards,

Gina Finch.