### MIDLOTHIAN SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS 2011-12

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| **Awards/competition successes/events** | **Lasswade Primary becomes Midlothian's first Fair Trade accredited school.**  
- P7/6 pupils were awarded £100 by the Cooperative Education Trust for Scotland to support an African entrepreneur through the Lend with care Microfinancing charity. Two pupils were invited to Edinburgh Castle for a reception with the First Minister to celebrate the 2012 International Year of the Cooperative.  
- P7/6 worked with CETS to develop and create a Fair Trade version of Monopoly. The game is currently being developed into a resource that will be used in schools throughout Scotland.  
- P7/6 were also involved in creating a leaflet on Fair Trade cotton uniforms as part of our Fair Trade Schools work. This leaflet will be printed and distributed by CETS and the Scottish Fair Trade Forum as part of their Fair Trade work.  
- Lasswade Primary along with Hopefield Primary School organised the first Lasswade ASG Fair Trade Football tournament with support from local CO-OP and the Bonnyrigg and Lasswade Community Council.  
- P6 pupil recognised at Inspire/Aspire National Awards for work on Olympic values.  
- P1 staff ran the Edinburgh marathon to raise funds in memory of a Lasswade pupil. Groups of pupils raised money for the Royal Hospital for Sick Children through a fund raising toy sale and jewellery making. Over £3000 in total was raised for the hospital.  
- A pupil with LUPUS organised a fun day for the whole school and raised £1000 over the session for LUPUS UK.  
- P3 and P5’s took part in Animation Festival at LHSC in June.  
- Music concerts held in school and several children took part in Festival of Music at Usher Hall in November  
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- **Edina Science award received to develop our school grounds work.**

### Improvements/innovative approaches to learning & teaching
- A whole school Olympic focus was developed over the session with each class focusing on an Olympic country culminating in our Olympic Sports event in June. A whole school Olympic dance event was also held in the playground in June. P7 produced an Olympic 'Play in a Day' with a visiting theatre company.
- **ASG health showcase event held at Lasswade PS.** Excellent opportunity for sharing good practice. Health plans created across all aspects of HWB curriculum and will be shared across the ASG for use in session 2012-2013.
- New **ASG novel study trilogy** introduced at P6 and P7, led by Lasswade PT. This will be developed in S1 in session 2012-2013.
- Food and health work developed and regular cooking/baking sessions held, some using produce from our school grounds.
- Midlothian assessments used across the school to give greater focus to inform planning and developing staff confidence across the levels and within the levels.
- P7 Transition profiles developed and will be shared with LHSC.
- All staff trained in co-operative learning or critical skills and actively using it. Use of co-operative learning teams for most staff development work. This work actively impacting on learning and teaching.
- Development of skills for learning recognised as very good practice during visit from School Group Manager.

### Supporting pupils
- **Lasswade Lion Achievement record cards** created commercially and used to celebrate development of CfE capacities and link to Good to be Green positive behaviour system.
- Identified children invited to attend Boy's Writing Club.
- P7 attended second **ASG camp at Dalguise** to improve transition experience. **ASG team working across P7 before and after the camp led to this being very successful.** This was co-ordinated by DHT's and PT's.
- P5 pupils led assembly and activities across the school to raise funds for Water Aid.
- Individualised dance relaxation group run by a parent.
| **Working with communities/partnerships** | **Social skills group run by a parent.**  
| | **Perceptual Motor Programme group tailored to meet individual pupil needs.**  
| | **Development of Listening Program across the school with identified pupils.**  
| | **Staff CPD on Maths Recovery and programme implemented at P4.**  
| | **Peer Mediation service offered by P7 pupils, trained annually by a member of staff.**  
| | **PEEPS twos group set up and run by nursery Childcare and Development worker.**  
| | **The Parent Council are undertaking a self evaluation consultation exercise with all parents.**  
| | **Each stage of the school has its own linked Parent Council Rep.**  
| | **P3, P6 and P7 parents have begun building a plastic bottle greenhouse as part of our efforts towards 3rd Green Flag status.**  
| | **Fundraising to support community partners and UNICEF, Sick Kids, LUPUS UK, Tanzania etc**  
| | **Whole school ECO action days held throughout the session with the focus on sustainability and school grounds developments.**  
| | **P7 organised a day of entertainment for pupils from a school in Finland.**  
| | **Tradey Treats Fair Trade tuck shop run by P7 children. Nursery organised a Fair Trade coffee morning.**  
| | **Whole school working towards Right Respecting School accreditation alongside ASG. School received Recognition of Commitment certificate for work already completed towards RRS.**  
| | **Pupil Forum represented pupils on the RRS Steering group. Three pupils prepared a presentation for the Parent Council.**  
| | **Lasswade PS ‘Tweets’ news regularly to all parents.**  
| | **A successful bid was made to Awards for All and we received £6300 for Playground developments.**  
| | **Our Pupil Forum established criteria for a quality DHT and held school tours. A new DHT was appointed in March 2012.**  
| | **Every class has a link community partner and Community marketplaces and a Community Showcase were held.** |
| Parent Council members | Parent Council members led work on the re-development of our Wildlife Garden supported by RBS. A memorial tree was planted in the garden in June.

P7 children created a database of businesses in the local community. This was used to invite people to a business lunch prior to a Speed working event. This event held with P7 children to develop awareness of skills for life and work.

Over £4700 raised by Parent Council through events such as our Summer Fair, Chick Drive, Blingo evening etc

Parent Council funds used to buy a set of i-pads, a set of net books and a class set of tables and chairs.

P5 Learning Council extended to link with Paradykes and Rosewell Primary as well as Bonnyrigg, Loanhead, Hopefield and Hawthornden Primary. Each school hosted an event and a successful summer outing was held at Vogrie. |
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| Proffessional development highlights/achievements | Principal Teacher involved in numeracy development work in authority and ASG reading developments.

PT involved in the Interview and selection process for Edinburgh University PGDE students and was invited to speak to 2012 cohort of graduating PDGE students with another member of Lasswade staff about the expectations of NQTs in Midlothian schools.

Several staff attended Shirley Clarke Assessment day. Plans in place to further develop work on assessment as a result.

PT completed a year long Midlothian CPD programme on Developing Leadership.

SMT working with Lasswade ASG on creating a Lasswade Learning Community.

P7 teacher moving to Hawthornden PS as acting PT for session 2012-2013.

HT continues with Associate Assessor work for HMIe

HT a member of authority Reporting and Quality Assurance groups.

HT assisted in two ASG school visits with School Group Manager. |