



September 2008

Dear Parent

Invitation to Loretto Senior School Open Morning on Saturday 4th October

I am delighted to have the opportunity to invite you to the Senior School Open Morning at Loretto on Saturday 4th October 2008. I look forward to meeting you and your family at this event and in anticipation of the visit I have included a copy of the most recent edition of Loretto Today highlighting recent events in the School, important information about scholarships and bursaries along with a formal invitation, reply form and *Freepost* envelope. Additional daily news, audio and video clips and information about forthcoming School events can be found on the Loretto website www.loretto.com.

Choosing a new school can be quite a difficult time for families and we would like to give you an opportunity to gain a realistic understanding of what Loretto has to offer. During the Open Morning you will have an opportunity to look round the Senior School accompanied by Lorettonian tour guides, hear our musicians and attend a question and answer session with key members of staff. I will give a short presentation and Mr Barry Cooper, Director of Academic Studies, will talk about the academic side of the School. We hope to start the Open Morning promptly at 10.10am and to finish by 12.45pm. You are most welcome to stay for lunch which is available from 1.00pm in the School Dining Room.

This year's public examination results are good and continue the trend of consistent high academic standards across a wide range of abilities. At A-Level almost half of all exams were passed at grade A and three quarters were passed at grades A and B. At GCSE 88% of exams were passed at A* - C grades. A full report by subject is available in the academic section of our website www.loretto.com.

Prospective families are welcome to visit the School at other times and to attend a variety of events. In addition you might like to be aware of the following important dates this term:

- Golf Talent Spotting Day and Golf scholarships on 25th September and 8th-10th October. Contact Fiona Gordon, Admissions, for information T 0131 653 4413.
- Open Morning Junior School (3 – 12 years) on 11th October. Contact Mairi Gillies, PA to the Junior School Headmaster, Richard Selley, for information T 0131 653 4570.
- Headmaster's visit to Hong Kong on 24th October. Contact Fiona Gordon.
- Sixth Form scholarships on 18th and 19th November. Contact Fiona Gordon.
- Music Scholars' Concert 5th December – all welcome. Contact Ginny Brechin, music department, 0131 653 4420.

To help with our Open Day planning it would be appreciated if you could please let us know if you would like to attend. Completed reply forms should be returned in the *Freepost* envelope supplied by the 30th September. For further information about this event please contact the marketing department, email marketing@loretto.com or telephone 0131 653 4434.

If you have recently been to one of our Open Mornings and do not feel the need to attend again, please feel free to pass this invitation to other parents. Please note that you can also use the reply form if you would like to update your details, to arrange a personal tour of the School at another time, or if you would like us to delete your enquiry from our mailing lists.

I look forward to hearing from you and welcoming you to Loretto Senior School.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter A Hogan', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Peter A Hogan, B Com PGCE MA FCoIT FRSA
Headmaster