



"A small school, with big ambitions!"

## Newsletter - 23rd June 2017

### Summer Fair - 8<sup>th</sup> July

Any donations, including bottles and jam jars for the PTA Summer Fair can be dropped off in the school office or via your child's class teacher.

### Transfer Day

Our transfer day activities will be taking place in the afternoon due to the Big Sing. Miss Murray will be in school to meet her new class and Year 4 will be at their chosen middle schools as normal.

### Reception New Starters

For parents of children starting Reception in September, the meeting is at 6pm on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June in the Early Years building.

### Names in clothing

As we come to the end of the school year and the weather gets warmer, we always find an increase in the number of items in lost property. We would ask that anything that comes into school including hats is labelled with at least a surname. If you do not have a permanent marker, please let a member of staff know, they will be happy to help.

### Art project with Juneau & Cherryburn NT

Over the next two Wednesdays, children in Cragside will be working with artists from Juneau on a special art project for Cherryburn. The final work will be displayed at Cherryburn and we hope to display some of the work in school. We will keep you updated on progress.

### Reminder - Music Concert

Our music concert for Gibside and Cragside is on **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2017** at 1.00 - 2.00pm. This will be a fantastic opportunity for the children to show their chalumeau/recorder skills and share some of the songs they have been learning across the year.

### Important - 30 hours free childcare starting in September 2017

Eligible working parents of 3 and 4 year olds across Northumberland will be entitled to 30 hours a week of free childcare starting in September 2017.

All 3 and 4 years old are entitled to 15 hours a week (570 hours a year) of free childcare and the government will begin to offer an additional 15 hours of free childcare per week to all eligible families.

You can apply for free childcare [here](#). For further information and to check whether your child is eligible to receive the additional 15 hours childcare, [click here](#)

### Big Sing

Children across school will be attending the Big Sing at the Sage over the next two weeks. Cherryburn & Gibside will be taking part on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June with Cragside (Year 3 only) on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July.

### Bee Fest

This is taking place on Sunday at Cherryburn from 11am.

### Bookstart

A national charity that ensures children aged 3 & 4 receive a free quality picture book. We used our books this week in our learning over the last week. To find out more please visit

<http://www.bookstart.org.uk/about/>

