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Dear Cumwhinton School families,

As we reach the end of another engaging school week, we are excited to share some highlights and important updates from Cumwhinton School.

Harmony in the Choir: Our school choir, led by the talented Ed Taylor, embarked on an exciting journey this week. We were thrilled to have 26 enthusiastic pupils from Key Stage 2 join us for the very first choir extracurricular club. The children delighted in singing songs from the enchanting musicals "Matilda" and "Mary Poppins." The Year 6 classroom was filled with laughter, smiles, and the joyful sounds of music. Our school choir is open to all Key Stage 2 students, providing an inclusive and friendly environment where everyone can share the joy of singing.

Football Triumph: This week, our Year 5 and 6 boys demonstrated their prowess on the football field during a tournament at Harraby 3G. The team played seven games and secured victories in four of them. The boys represented our school with outstanding sportsmanship and showcased our school's core values of humanity, innovation, and global awareness. We are proud to announce that the team has successfully qualified for the County School Cup. Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to Emma Batey, our dedicated Teaching Assistant, and Tracy Jeffrey, a supportive parent, for their invaluable contributions in taking the boys to the tournament.

Musical Notes of Progress: Looking ahead to next week, we are thrilled to announce that Year 3 and 4 students will be embarking on exciting instrumental lessons. Thanks to our partnership with the Cumbria Music Service, both year groups will enjoy 33 weeks of music lessons, each lasting 45 minutes. Year 3 students will embark on a journey of learning the recorder, while Year 4 students will delve into the world of the clarinet. To make this musical adventure even more special, the school will subsidise the cost of instruments, ensuring that every pupil has their own instrument to nurture their musical talents throughout the year.

Enhanced Communication for 2023/24: Effective communication between the school and our families is essential. In preparation for the 2023/24 academic year, we are pleased to introduce an updated communication system. Attached to this letter is a document that explains how our families can contact the school and how the school will reach out to families. This streamlined approach will reduce the need for applications and provide a more efficient and transparent communication process.

Opportunity to join our After School Club: We are currently seeking a dedicated member of our school community to join our After School Club (ASC) team. This position will involve working in the ASC every Friday until Christmas, from 3 pm to 6 pm. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact the school office at admin@cumwhinton.cumbria.sch.uk.

We are thrilled to offer these enriching experiences to our students and are grateful for your continued support. Your involvement in your child's educational journey is highly valued, and we look forward to more moments of growth and success in the weeks ahead.

Should you have any questions or require additional information about any of the updates mentioned in this letter or any other aspect of our school, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Wishing you a relaxing and enjoyable weekend.

Warm regards,

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Mr Stewart Headteacher