

# CHAS celebrate National Teddy Bears Picnic Day

The children's hospice CHAS is marking today's National Teddy Bears Picnic Day by inviting children across Scotland to hold their own picnic and raise funds for them at the same time.




At Rachel House last week the charity held their own picnic with children's entertainers Anya, Kevin and Gary from FUNBOX.

They sang with members of the audience and everyone was soon singing along and even joining in with some highland dancing.

**Laura Campbell, Community Fundraiser for CHAS, said:** "It was lovely to see so many children and their bears join us for the launch of our first ever teddy bears picnic season. FUNBOX certainly brought the party, as Rachel House was full of laughter and singing, and we want to thank them for their amazing support.

"Three children die each week in Scotland from a life-shortening condition, and we are determined to reach and support every single one of those children and their families. Every penny raised over the summer via the picnics will help us make sure that no matter how short the time they have together may be, it is filled with joy and happiness."

 CHAS cares for families and their babies, children and young people by offering palliative care, family respite and support at its two hospices, Rachel House and Robin House. It has a CHAS at Home team, who bring its services into families' homes throughout the whole of Scotland, as well as teams working in communities and hospitals across the country.