

Concert held at St Columba's Hospice

Pupils from Victoria Primary School, musicians from Fischy Music and patients at St Columba's Hospice enjoyed singing their own songs this afternoon at a concert at the hospice.

The songs are the result of work they have done together, discussing the difficult topics of death and dying. The children have been meeting with patients in the hospice to talk about the impact of life-limiting conditions, exploring thoughts and feelings through the arts and writing songs.

There was a lot of happiness and laughter in the room where the concert took place today, and they performed the songs for an invited audience.

Head Teacher, Laura Thomson at Victoria Primary, Newhaven Edinburgh, said: "Many still consider death a taboo subject for children but it is vital that we talk to children about death. Most children will be affected by the death of someone in their family or family friends and they need to know what this means practically and how to deal with this emotionally too. We look forward to performing our songs and developing resources for all schools to share."

