



# Parracombe Church of England Primary School Newsletter

(Part of the West Exmoor Federation)

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Dear Parents,

## Christmas Events

Well done and a BIG thank you to all of you children and parents who supported the many recent Christmas celebrations!

The family service was well attended and well done to those children who sang and played the drums to celebrate the beginning of advent.

The open evening too was a great success with the adults listening to carols sung by the children whilst enjoying a warm glass of mulled wine. Thank you to the Friends for inviting the community and providing refreshments.

The children sang beautifully at the Festival of Carols and it was lovely to hear performances from the other groups in the village. The children enjoyed the Nativity. A full congregation joined in with the carols.

Thanks again to the Friends for organising the party games and refreshments at the School Christmas Party on Monday. The children especially enjoyed the early surprise appearance by Father Christmas!

Finally we all had a jolly singing bonanza at The Hunters Inn. Everybody was in festive spirit and joined in with the Carol singing. A big thank you to Sam and Emi who organised the very successful Christmas Raffle; an amazing £325.00 was raised towards the laptop fund!!

## Pantomime

All the children thoroughly enjoyed their annual visit to the theatre to watch Cinderella. The star of the show had to be Casey Dallyn who was invited on stage and is obviously going to be an entertainer when he grows up!

## Good Bye

Sadly we are having to say good bye to Lea Earl. Lea is moving with her family to Cambridgeshire and we all will miss her and wish her the very best.

## Football Tournament

Last Thursday, Lewis, David, Arthur, Sam D, Charlie and Georgie went to Lynton for an inter-federation football tournament. The children played very well and after a series of close matches and penalty shoot outs, Lynton 1 came first, Parracombe second, Kentisbury third and Lynton 2 fourth. Thank you very much to Mr Doherty, Ben Prosser and Stacey Conibear for organising the event.

## Christingle

The Christingle service will be held tonight at Christchurch. This celebration will begin at 6:30 and you are all invited. The children have previously made their Christingles with Frances Paul and learnt a lot from the experience so we would all like to thank her for giving us her time and providing us with the essentials to make a Christingle.

## Clubs

Julie and I would like to thank all of the adults who organise and run school clubs. The children enjoy participating in these extra curricular activities which provide a valuable enhancement to their learning. We are hoping that in the new year we will be able to offer a pottery club and a sports club!

## Dates:

Just a reminder that school reopens on the 4th January 2010

We all wish you a peaceful Christmas and prosperous New Year.

Kind Regards,  
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