

BRANTON NEWSLETTER



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SCHOOL

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Breamish Valley Community Nursery

On the 27th November 2012 Her Grace the Duchess of Northumberland officially opened the new nursery facility at Branton Community First School. The Duchess brought along her dog Fuzzy Wuzzy as he loves children and he certainly enjoyed his morning with all the children at Branton as you can tell by the look on his face. The children presented Her Grace with a card and a bunch of flowers as a thank you to her for opening the nursery.

After the Duchess had performed her official duty Councillor Anthony Murray presented Alison Lloyd-Harris with an award (Thriving Communities) from Northumberland National Parks which she received on behalf of the school.

Refreshments were then enjoyed by all who attended this very special occasion.



THE GRAND PRODUCTION



On Friday 14th December we held our annual Christmas production. This year it was Follow the Star. We had a travelling Spaceman, an apprentice wise man and the usual shepherds, the innkeeper and his wife. The nursery came on at the end as Joseph and Mary with baby Jesus and the Angel watching over them. There was a lot of singing from the children and lots of laughter from the audience which filled the expanse of the hall. The raffle was very well supported with lots of prizes. After the performance the audience were invited to enjoy some Mulled wine and shortbread biscuits that the children had made. A good night was had by all.

SHAK

Shak is an organisation that looks after dogs that have not had a very good start in life. A dog called Little Buster (not a real one) came in to help explain how to look after a dog properly. Some of them are lucky enough to find new homes while others have to stay at Shak for the rest of their lives. This is the case for Smokey who has been sponsored by the school.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH



On Monday 17th December we enjoyed a lovely Christmas lunch provided by the Pottergate Pantry in Alnwick as part of our Christmas celebrations in school. All the children and staff came to school wearing a Christmas hat. The classroom was decorated and there was a very festive atmosphere in the school.

BAGS TO SCHOOL

This year we have raised £273.60 for the Air Ambulance and the school. We were only able to achieve this because of the support we had from the community who gathered up anything they didn't need any more and filled loads of bags.

We would like to say a big thank you to everyone who helped us reach this target.



Parent and
toddler group

Come along with
your toddler on
a Thursday
9.30- 11.00

Tea and
coffee £1.



Check out our new website
for more news and pictures



CREEPY CRAWLEY
ROADSHOW

On Tuesday 13th November we had a visit from The Creepy Crawley Roadshow. There was the usual lovely little creatures. Clare the cockroach was introduced to us first, then came Brian the snail, Rosie the Tarantula came next, followed by Cecil the Bearded Dragon and finally the last one was a snake. All the creatures were very well behaved and didn't object to being handled by the chil-

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR
FROM EVERYONE at
BRANTON COMMUNITY FIRST SCHOOL
and BREAMISH VALLEY COMMUNITY
NURSERY

Thank you for your support throughout the year.