

Christmas Newsletter 2010

*“And is it true? And is it true, This most tremendous tale of all,
Seen in a stained glass window's hue,
A Baby in an ox's stall?
The maker of the stars and sea.... Become a Child on earth for me?”
(Sir John Betjemen)*

Welcome to our Christmas newsletter, this is a much more selective publication with editorial rights belonging just to Pippa and Coggy!

I'm writing this for the second time as I find more time for me, Coggy still ties himself up with scouts and singing and the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme...some people never learn!

We have had a lot more time to ourselves this year, and although we have taken on 2 lodgers, we have been to Kenya and Jersey together, and Coggy has been to the alps as well. I have been up to see my sister Ash in Aberdeen twice this year, and the second time I flew which was the first time I had done that on my own!

Coggy also went to Libya as part of a disaster management team, and spent 2 weeks collecting belongings from the remains of a crash in early June.

Coggy is still in Funeral Directing and has been joined by Dan, who is now living in a shared house in North Fareham. "The Well" - where I used to work had to close earlier this year, but I hope to have a new job in the spring...I just have to wait!

Ben is out in Brazil with BMS World Mission, living in a town near Sao Paulo, and working in a PEPE (pre-school for the poorer families), he seems to be enjoying the experience and I have joined "facebook" to communicate with him!

Sophie and Graham continue to live life to the full, including holidays in New York and France, and living with a crazy cat!

Coggy and I had an amazing time out in Kenya with a friend of ours from the community church who now lives and works out there, and we hope to return there in 2011, and help out where we can. I painted the school walls, while Coggy and Peter read english stories to the children, they were entranced by both activities!

We hope you had an enjoyable year and may God bless you in 2011....

Love Pippa and Coggy x x x