

# Bateman Family Christmas Newsletter 2005



## Schools Out, All change please.

The New Year started with Esther who is now 3 starting Nursery School. She loves it and is playing a star in the Christmas play.

In the summer Abigail age 7 had a leaving party from her infant school and now catches the bus to Waverley Abbey Junior School. Abigail has started gym club, orienteering and piano lessons.

Joshua age 11 finished at Waverley Abbey in July and now goes by train to King Edwards Witley. This was our first choice for senior school and we were very pleased to get a place. He has quickly become accustomed to the more hectic and demanding life of senior education. He is clearly showing his logical bias with his favorite subjects being science, maths and latin.



## The Adults

With the opening of the new Barclays head office at Canary Wharf, we both moved to the new building in April. Joy changed roles in the summer and now does a Product Management role.

Marcus continues to have more hobbies than time allows and he decided to do a bee keeping course in the autumn. This has only led to fuel his ideas of getting his own hives but we'll just have to see....

June saw Marcus reaching one of those notable ages and we celebrated by hosting a 'murder at a dinner party' where Marcus played Bobby Cuffs, the local constable and Joy was Lady Faddington.

## Holidays

At Easter we went to Spring Harvest at Skegness, a Christian family conference.

Our summer holiday was to France where we spent a week in the Loire and a week near Lyon. We did the usual round of chateaux, vineyards and walks. Joshua and Abigail particularly enjoyed the canoeing.

October half term saw us flying to Cyprus for a week of sun, swimming, short walks, sand and eating out; what more can be said!



## Scenes from France 2005

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