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## Tuesday, 22nd December and Wednesday, 30th December, 1998



These angelic little girls are Amie Benoit, Hannah Wood and Rebecca Lund



Jennifer Bentley and Andrew Race as Mary and Joseph with kings Nathan Magnall & James Smith

**Innkeeper Richard Cook** 





### The scene was set at Montalbo School by Robert Morrell and Christopher Hooper giving up-front performances in Mabel and Flo's Christmas Show as they reminisced about Christmas entertainment.

THE TEESDALE MERCURY

# Learner Shepherd was left in charge of flock

Pupils at Butterknowle School told a traditional nativity story with a contemporary slant as their festive entertainment

David The Little Shepherd, played by Kirsty Lowther, was a learner left in charge of the flocks while experienced shepherds John Davis, Luke Edwards, Andrew Cook, Christopher Wright and Shaun Grey made their way to the manger after a message from angel Emma Docherty.

The tale merged into the age old story as the contemporary shepherds met traditional ones Niall Dodsworth, Joseph Back, Megan Middleton, along with villager Emma Hayman and innkeeper Richard Cook.

Also involved in the magical tale were people from different continents, including Chinaman Gary Close and Indian Kimberley Howe, who saw the star on Christmas Eve.

Wood and Rebecca Lund, kings and Andrew Race. Kirkby, before the action cen- of two solos.

**Angel Emma Docherty** 

There were angels in the tred on the stable with Mary shape of Amie Benoit, Hannah and Joseph, Jennifer Bentley

Nathan Magnall and James Songs included Learner Smith, and a tap dancing Shepherd, Star of the Night



Kirby as Doris the camel

**Gary Close** 



Little shepherd Kirsty Lowther, third from the left, camel called Doris in the guise and Boy Child. Kirsty Lowther with John Davis, Luke Edwards, Andrew Cook, of Katy Harris and Lauren was praised for her rendition Christopher Wright, Shaun Grey, Niall Dodsworth, Joseph Back, Megan Middleton and Emma Hayman



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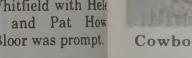
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Cowboys Adam Kicks, Jake Brown, Sophie Leask and

**Gregory Ruchet** 



John Latcham, Isaac Rose and Natalie Wilkinson as the ghosts of Christmas past, present and future

nen Mike Watso **Chris Spray** 

elephant team:

Mike Wilkinson



Nicole Craik, Daniel Brown, Adam Goodfellow and Peter Hartley are toys coming to life

Not looking forward to Christmas Day are turkeys James Butlin, Tony Leask and Liam Coates



They looked at photograph albums with grandchildren Chloe Hooper and Jonathan Blackburn before switching on the television.

TV entertainment was provided by the entire school who sang and acted out Christmas songs and sketches as Mabel and Flo looked on.

Katherine Coppack was a fir tree who took part in a nativi-Leanne Kettlewell and Rebekah Armstrong, innkeepers Nicholas Wilkinson and Matthew Metcalfe and trees Connie Hirst and Rebecca Morrell.

Mary and Joseph were played by Heather Stanwick and Helen Oates. Narrators were Samantha Latcham, Danielle y Matthew Allison, Neil Stanwick and Alex Brown. In another programme cowboys were Adam Kicks, Jake

Brown, Sophie Leask and Gregory Ruchet. Toys who came to life were Nicole Craik, Daniel Brown, Adam Goodfellow and Peter Hartley.

A Dickens story saw Andrew Scarr as Scrooge with Rhodes and Ainsley Harriott. William Bibby as his nephew. The pair drew lots of hisses Delia Smith while Rosalind and boos as they picked on Jonathan Kent as Tiny Tim. John Latcham, Isaac Rose and Natalie Wilkinson were the sent and future.

ty with angels Leah Kicks. & Joseph. They are surrounded by angels Leah Kicks, Leanne Kettlewell & Rebekah Armstrong, innkeepers Nicholas Wilkinson & Matthew Metcalfe, trees Connie Flint & Rebecca Morrell & narrators Samantha Latcham, Danielle Scarr & Eloise Rose

In a Christmas dinner song puddings were played by Amanda Leask, Andrew Race and Marc Swinbank. Turkeys, sporting marigold gloves as combs and claws, were James Scarr and Eloise Rose. Santa Butlin, Tony Leask and Liam and his reindeer were played Coates. Breathing fumes on each other were pickled onions Victoria Ashworth, Ashleigh Kettlewell, Cameron Lawson

> action in Ready Steady Cook. Presenter Fern Britten was played by Anna Flint. James

were over the top chefs Gary Lauren Howe was dependable Thomson tasted just a hint of old socks and mildewed carpet as wine buff Jilly Goolden.

ghosts of Christmas past, pre- Whittaker and Timothy Oates and Becky-Lee Proffitt. Williams appeared as elves.

Dancers, striking Spice Girl Oates, Charlotte Gibson and poses, included Bethel Nutter, Katie Shum.

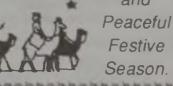
Pritchard, Karl Minchin, sive Frosty the Snowman built Charlie Butlin, Thomas Shaunee Swinbank, Sarah by Andrew Minchin.

In a programme called A in designing and making cos-Christmas Stocking, Holly tumes and scenery. Every Alderson played the stocking. child was dressed up. She was joined in the sketch Class 3 organised a gift sale by Victoria Gibson, Lauren after the performance as part Blackett, Sophie Metcalfe, of a business venture. The Lorna White, Lauren Dean, Friends of the School provided Hope Jevons, Charlotte Ham- coffee and cakes and ran a sucmond, Rebecca Steen, Laura cessful raffle.

Sandra and Colin

at the **RABY MOOR INN** 

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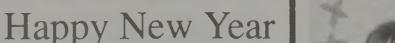
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Christopher Hooper and Robert Morrell with grandchildren Chloe Hooper and Jonathan Blackburn



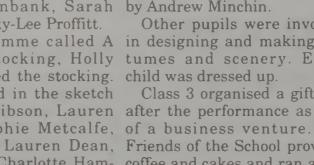




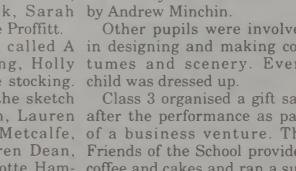
Bibby pick on Jonathan Kent as Tiny Tim

Scrooge Andrew Scarr, right, and his nephew William

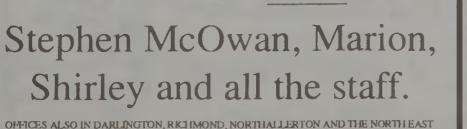
Amberley Elliott, Chantelle Daniel Tuck was an impres-



Other pupils were involved



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These tasty looking puddings are Amanda Leask, Andrew Race and Marc Swinbank

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