

JANUARY 2014

Back again after celebrating the start of the New Year of 2014. We started the new G.B. season with our G.B. Party which was fancy dress. This year it was the animals that went into the ark "two by two". There were some ingenious costumes with much thought had gone into them, then there were others that lets just say I am glad I wasn't around at the time Noah was saving the animals.

The Explorers as usual played their part acting out which animal they had come as. Some of these girls would do well in the Youth Theatre when they are old enough.

We started off with a joint game of Musical Statues where they dance until the music stops and then drop to the floor. Last one down is out, and then we had Musical Corners, where once the music stopped they had to pick a corner with a different animal. Then an animal picture was picked and the ones that were standing in that particular corner were out. Awh!

When everyone was out it was time for the Explorers to eat their teas of Pizza, Niblets, Drinks etc followed by Chocolate Rolls, Rice Crispie Cakes etc. The other girls continued with a game Kim taught them.

Then it was time for the explorers last game before home time, which could only be that firm favourite of Pass the Parcel, forfeits were done as the wrappers were torn away to reveal a much loved sweet. The last wrapper was taken off by Chantelle. Well Done Chantelle.

The costumes were judged and our winner was Norah in her costume of a Black and White Cat - Well done Norah. Then it was time for little gifts which we found out Father Christmas had delivered them to the wrong location. Never mind we will forgive him this time as he is usually very busy. The gifts were small G.B. Bears for 2013, questions were raised as to why not 2014, but then it was all cleared up as they were to commemorate G.B. Celebrating 120 Years in 2013. What a clever Santa to think of that.

It was then home time for a number of very tired little explorer animals who had been having a fantastic time of it.

Watch out for our next adventures with Gabby, Barney and Fudge as there are many more stories to be heard. The Explorers will once again be working on their creations, as they do their crafts and learn more about the stories from the bible.

Happy New Year to you All - From the Explorers

While the explorers were having their game of pass the parcel the other girls were tucking into the food and drink. The table was soon cleared and they too had a game of pass the parcel which was won by Maddison and had their fancy dressed judged. The junior winner was Leonie, the seniors was won by Ebony and Eleanor won the Brigader section. They continued to play games till just before 9 when parcels that Father Christmas had left were handed out before all singing the vesper and going home.

A really good night to start of the new year.

Next week all the groups will be back to normal and working on their new badge work.