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Our Cathedral Choristers' CHRISTMAS PARTY at the Deanery

As Bishop Nicholas has now retired, the **Dean and Mrs Armstrong** generously invited our cathedral choristers, including our ten new probationers, to the Deanery for their annual party (for they usually go to the Bishop's House).

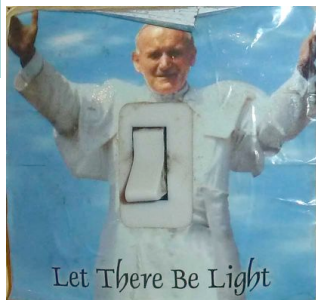


Incidentally, The Dean has a most ecumenical light switch in the Deanery kitchen!

The Dean was in splendid form organising games, helped by our Directors of Music and some stalwart choir parents. For one game the boys had to search through newspapers to find certain headings which the Dean had chosen.



The stairs were also useful for enjoying the tea which Mrs Armstrong had provided.



Dean Christopher sat on the stairs to check the answers.



Organ Scholar **James Kealey** organised another game which

defies definition – but it was rumbustious and brought to an end a most happy two hours. **Thank you, Dean & Mrs Armstrong.**



Then the boys went to the cathedral for their usual Friday choir practice which ended at 8.30pm.

The next day, after their Saturday morning rehearsal, the boys sang carols in **Blackburn's Market** – which attracted much appreciative attention from shoppers.



And as the next day was Sunday, the boys, girls and men sang the 10.30 Eucharist, and also the Annual **NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS** in the evening.

And, of course, **CHRISTMAS DAY** was two days' later! They all deserved their two-week break after such a marathon.

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