

November 2004



Greetings to you all,

This brief newsletter brings you details of the activities planned at Thomley Activity Centre for Christmas time. We hope you will come and join us but please don't forget to book in advance.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself, Claire Acworth, as the new Manager of Thomley Activity Centre. Just to share with you a little of my background, I have been working in the field of international development for the last 10 years and have most recently been working for Handicap International supporting people with disabilities in Africa and Asia. Previously I ran an orthopaedic centre in Kenya and also worked with disabled children in Uganda. I now live in Oxford and am very excited to join the dynamic Thomley team.

As many of you will know, Jodi got married on Saturday 13th November and on all accounts looked radiant on her wedding day. Jodi so appreciated the fact that so many people came to her farewell party although it was a very sad day for all. I found it inspirational to see what she has achieved over the past few years, the strength of the relationships she has built and the delight she has brought to the children who come to Thomley. Both Michelle and I hope to maintain this same spirit and we welcome your suggestions to shape the centre further.

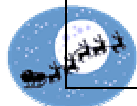
I look forward to meeting you all over the coming months.

Best wishes
Claire



Christmas Holiday Play Days:

Saturday 18 th December	Tuesday 21 st December	Thursday 23 rd December
Thomley Christmas Party <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Make party hats ▪ Meet Santa in his grotto ▪ Mulled wine & mince pies ▪ Raffle and guess the name of the bear 	Fun Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Present & gift tag making ▪ Mince pie baking ▪ Raffle and guess the name of the bear 	Fun Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 2005 Calendar making ▪ Christmas cracker and placemats ▪ Raffle and guess the name of the bear



All visits must be booked in advance by calling the office on 01844 338380 or email bookings@thomleyhall.org