

## Students cheer up lonely senior citizens this Christmas



Christmas came early for senior citizens in Langley.

Langley Academy held a Christmas celebration yesterday.

Elderly members of the community were invited along to the Langley Road school to enjoy a buffet dinner while being entertained with carols, dancing, bingo and a raffle.

The annual event, which was supported by the Co-op is growing with 50 senior citizens involved last year and 80 this year.

Vice principal Oliver Haden said: "Staff and students donated presents and money to make the

event work.

"The idea behind it is there are lots of lonely people out there, especially at Christmas and we want to be part of the community."

He added: "It was a lovely evening."

Pupils served tea and Sherry to the guests and children from Parlaunt Park Primay School performed a medley of Christmas tunes before the Academy's choir sung some solo and group Christmas songs.