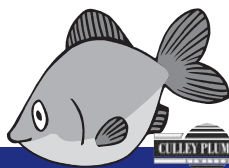


# sPrat chat



We're back again after the Christmas break, and we hope Santa was good to you all!

The weather has been great, allowing most of us lucky ones to get out on the water and enjoy the fantastic sunshine and catch up on a spot of fishing.

A big reminder about the Kids Fishing Competition – remember, this year in the kid's section there will be no prizes for each kid participating, we will only be having the draw for the family trip to Fiji (in addition to the first, second and third places for fish caught in the three categories of the kid's part of the competition).

The trip to Fiji prize is awesome, thanks to our marvelous sponsors, and anyone

could win it so send in a photo of yourself with a fish you have caught. Entries close on March 1, 2009 so don't wait, do it now. And remember, the competition isn't based on size, so your entry doesn't need to be a huge fish!

As well as your photo entries for the Fishing Competition we would also love to read your stories and see your photos of your Christmas holidays, and share them with everyone reading Sprat Chat. Please send all your ideas, photos and stories to Mark Culley, C/- OBC Office, PO Box 42056, Orakei, Auckland or fax to 520 0753. Or you can email Sprat Chat at [culley@xtra.co.nz](mailto:culley@xtra.co.nz). Remember to include your name and age.

## SANTA LOST HIS SLEIGH

What a beautiful day for Santa to arrive at the OBC kid's Christmas party in his very cool boat, with presents for all you kids. Old MacDonald's Farm was another big hit with the little ones. Some

of the kids asked if they could bring reindeer next year as they haven't seen a real one yet! A very big thank you to the promotions committee for a great afternoon.



*Old MacDonald's Farm was a special treat. We could even pet some real live farm animals.*



*Santa was kept busy dishing out presents to all the good boys and girls.*