

ACROSS

- 8 Gain knowledge (of) (5)
- 9 Babies' first toys (7)
- 10 Type of crossword (7)
- 11 John ___ Baird, TV pioneer (5)
- 12 Most arrogant (9)
- 14 Angry, furious (3)
- 15 Mother of a horse (3)
- 16 Shrinking (9)
- 19 Chocolate powder (5)
- 21 Persuaded (7)
- 23 ___ arts, kendo and judo etc (7)
- 24 Door part (5)

DOWN

- 1 Removes (feathers) (6)
- 2 Increase in the birth rate (4,4)
- 3 Tie tightly (4)
- 4 Nursery for children (6)
- 5 Dagger (8)
- 6 Dutch shoe (4)
- 7 Slope upwards (6)
- 13 East African country (8)
- 14 Largest of the Orkneys (8)
- 15 Leave, go elsewhere (6)
- 17 Order to come back (6)
- 18 Clever device (6)
- 20 Bottle stopper (4)
- 22 ___ Bishop, Liverpudlian comedian (4)

