

ACROSS

- 1 Plans and organises (8)
 5 December festival, in short (4)
 9 Vanquisher, victor (9)
 10 Go back, as of the tide (3)
 11 Soft inner white skin of an orange (4)
 13 Foretell, forecast (7)
 16 ___ Walcott, footballer (4)
 18 All the same (4,2)
 19 Friend of Winnie-the-Pooh (6)
 21 Garden hut (4)
 23 ___ Ballas, *Strictly* head judge (7)
 25 Barks sharply (4)
 27 ___ Baba, poor woodcutter in *The Arabian Nights* (3)
 28 Omens of military conflict (3,6)
 30 Garment worn by ancient Romans (4)
 31 Teaches, instructs (8)

DOWN

- 1 Curved gateway (4)
 2 Managed (3)
 3 ___ and crosses, game for two players (7)
 4 Latvia's continent (6)
 6 Assembling (7,2)
 7 Bid for sympathy (3,5)
 8 Soft white French cheese (4)
 12 Breaking down into a list (9)
 14 Mechanical learning (4)
 15 TV headlines (8)
 17 Garden watering tube (4)
 20 Charmingly simple and carefree (7)
 22 Offspring of two different species (6)
 24 Salacious (4)
 26 Online fashion business (4)
 29 Milk sterilising process (inits) (3)

