



Across

- 1 Interrogate author of religious writings? (8,4)
- 9 Something consumed by footballers before and after extra time (4)
- 10 Liberal welcomed by poor workers, collectively offering kind remark (10)
- 11 Sick boss eats something that'll make him feel much worse! (8)
- 12 Ducks on river finding way to congregate, maybe (5)
- 13 Manage the first of setter's clues (5)

- 14 Broadcast from a church features new type of word (8)
- 16 School to lose backing for timetable (8)
- 19 Money made from a mix of metals (5)
- 21 Get out of a hole (5)
- 23 Told to get together before dance for something to eat (8)
- 24 Junkie deprived of cocaine is initially working with gangster to get more (10)
- 25 Set off for excursion (4)
- 26 Try to divorce gentle man in good spirits (5-7)

Down

- 2 Tune is produced by large instrument (7)
- 3 Impasse reached with old friend (9)
- 4 Drive via northbound road - only 50% of petrol used (7)
- 5 Vegetables in fridge make soup delicious; everything's gone but the dregs! (5)
- 6 Person finishing well off the pace might be too rushed (4-3)
- 7 Style of fighting to culminate in knockout (5)
- 8 Blue pen moved from reception by mistake (6)

- 14 *Mirror* censoring extremists in tabloid? (3)
- 15 Urban lot relocated outside a city (4,5)
- 17/23 Cute man and topless model posed for artist (6,5)
- 18 Reversing the effects of downfall (7)
- 19 Writing that's not particularly smooth (7)
- 20 Cross sailor suppresses indignation (7)
- 22 A bit of subtle irony upset Oxford college (5)
- 23 See 17