



# The BIG Top on Monday

The daily newsletter of The BIG Top Holiday Club for Monday 25 July 2005;  
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## "The Best Plaice for the Best Price!"

*The BIG Top starts with Galilee's record fish catch*

### News Headlines

#### Meet the Leaders



Pam Chapman



Elizabeth Hicks



Eli Hassoun

The main Leaders for each section of The BIG Top are Pam Chapman (The Marquee), Elizabeth Hicks (The Rainbow Tent) and Eli Hassoun (The Arena & The Rock Café). These main Leaders are supported by dozens of other voluntary Leaders and Helpers from local churches including the Baptist, Methodist and Salvation Army. Many thanks to everyone who helps make The BIG Top possible.

#### Arena (5-10s)

Each day in The Arena there will be craftwork and drama plus fun and games. Following the Fish 'n Chips theme, Simon Peter – a well known fisherman – will star in some fishy tales from the Bible. The BIG Top's puppet pair, Bert and Lucy, will be teaching a Memory Verse each day.

#### The Rainbow Tent (3-4s)

The children will be enjoying themselves all week with fun and games on the theme of animals. Today they have begun learning the story of Noah and the Ark.

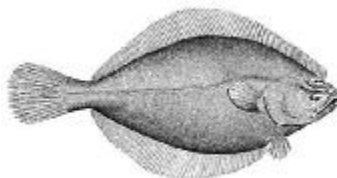
#### The Marquee (under 3s)

In The Marquee the children will have lots of fun with the bouncy castle and the ball pond. They will have craftwork each day – today the children made fish and the carers made jewellery. The highlight of the week will be on Wednesday when Hounslow Urban Farm visits The Rainbow Tent & The Marquee.

#### Five Fishy Colours

Blue marlin – might be sad?  
Gold fish – the richest of them all?  
Red herrings – out of plaice here?  
Rainbow trout – ROYGBIV  
Salmon pink – and very pretty too!

**Simon, Galilee's fisher king, told our Galilee correspondent that he had been about to give up fishing for good after catching nothing all night.** But he says his night turned right around when Jesus arrived and told him to cast his net again. Simon says "I thought he was just having fun at my expense. But it was no joke – the catch was so big that it just about broke our nets. In the end we had 153 of Galilee's finest fish in our net and hauled up onto the beach."

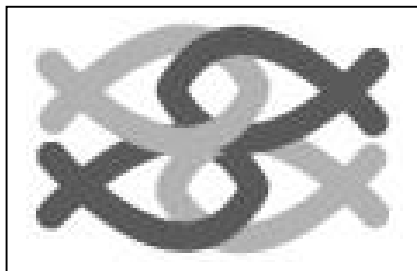


The Fishmonger said she was amazed – "Today's fish price should be low enough to please everyone", she said, "Today we really are *'The best plaice for the best price'*".

**The BIG Top says:** Jesus may only be a local chippie but he certainly seems to know his fish.

#### Fishing-ter-Net

Our fishy team have invented this new eye-catching fishing-fooling design – we call it the fishing-ter-net! How about it Simon – need a new net?



**The BIG Top says:** "Give a man a fish - he'll eat it for dinner. Teach a man to fish - he'll be late for dinner".

#### Five Fishy Verses

Genesis 1:26 "rule over the fish"  
Matthew 14:19 "only...two fish"  
Mark 1:16 "for they were fishermen"  
Luke 24:42 "a piece of broiled fish"  
John 21:3 "I'm going out to fish"

### Don't Forget

#### Come to our Celebration Day

There will be a Celebration Day on Sunday from 10.30am until mid-afternoon. Songs. Games. etc. Lunch of Fish 'n Chips - £4 per person (under 3s free).

#### The Rock Café (11-16s)

On Tuesday to Friday, there will be The Rock Café for young people from 7.30pm - 9.00pm. Every evening starts at Teddington Baptist Church Centre and will be action packed with music, challenges, games, competitions and activities. £2-50 per evening.

#### Adult Art Class

On Thursday during The BIG Top, there will be an adult art class led by local artist Stephanie Wilkinson.

#### What's Online for Teddington?

Wot? is an internet information service for Teddington provided by Teddington Baptist Church. Whatever you want, it is (probably) on Wot?: <http://come.to/Teddington>

#### Teddington Baptist Church

The BIG Top is being held at Teddington Baptist Church Centre. Sunday services are at 10.30am and 6.30pm. There are lots of activities throughout the week for every age group. Ask at The BIG Top office for details or look at: <http://www.TeddingtonBaptist.org.uk>.

#### Teddington Methodist Church

Some Leaders and Helpers for The BIG Top are from Teddington Methodist Church. The Church has services at 10.30am and 6.30pm. Visit its website for details of all its activities. <http://www.teddingtonmethodistchurch.org.uk>

#### The BIG Top Website

The BIG Top website has photos and newsletters from all five years of The BIG Top. <http://come.to/TheBigTop>