



# The BIG Top on Thursday

The daily newsletter of The BIG Top Holiday Club for Thursday 30 August 2007  
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## From Death to Life



### News Headlines

#### Meet the Leaders



Richard

Richard Littleedale is the Minister of Teddington Baptist Church. Richard is helping in The Ring He plays Parkie, the park keeper, in this year's drama.

#### Craftwork



Today children in The Ring made Mexican crosses out of lollipop sticks and wool. In The Arena they made crosses which look like stained glass windows using coloured tissue paper glued onto ohp acetates. Jesus died on the cross to bring life for us all.

In The Rainbow Tent the children printed patterns on cut-out card animals and then used them to make mobiles. They thought about all the animals which God made.

#### Recycled Joke of the Day

In The Ring and The Arena we have a recycled joke bank! Our recycled joke for today is:

Question: "What do you call a man with a spade on his head?"

Answer: "Doug!"

#### Group Names



The group names for The Ring and The Arena were chosen as a reminder that we should all care for the world around us.

Today the children in The Ring and The Arena heard how Jesus had died on the cross. But then Jesus came back to life again. What a miracle!

And what an amazing God! Look at all the wonderful things he has done – making everything from nothing, turning darkness into light and now bringing life out of death.

#### What a Load of Rubbish

In The Ring and The Arena we have been learning a song which begins:

*What a load of rubbish (x4)  
What a load of rubbish  
in the world can be found,  
We need to find someone  
to turn it around,  
The One we call Jesus,  
The One we can know,  
Wastewatchers ready to go!*

#### Not a Load of Rubbish

In The BIG Top drama we saw that Parkie had made the old bath into a pond. Now he is working hard with the children to paint things in the park – just watch out where you sit down for the next few days! Barry has learnt that he has to be especially careful.



The BIG Top pond!

**The BIG Top says:** God is even better than Parkie at changing things around – after all, Jesus was dead and then came back to life again!

#### Thanks to our Sponsors

We are really grateful to our sponsors. The Richmond Recycling Team lent us materials to decorate The BIG Top and to set up the recycling exhibition. We hope parents will come along and learn about the new recycling opportunities which begin in Richmond this coming October.

### Don't Forget

#### Come to our Celebration Day

There will be a Celebration Day on Sunday from 10.30am. Songs. Games etc. BBQ. For those without children in The BIG Top all week, Family tickets for the BBQ are available from Reception £5.

#### Talent Show

Don't forget there will a Talent Show in The Ring and The Arena on Saturday – it's not too late to start rehearsing! And encourage your families to come and join us from 10.30am to 12noon. What can you do – either by yourself, with your friends, or with your parents? Sing? Juggle? Play an instrument? Tell a recycled joke? Create a picture or a fancy dress costume out of re-used or recycled materials?...or what?

#### The BIG Top Website

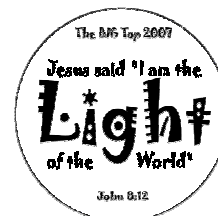
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#### Wastewatcher's Tip of the Day

Make sure your family puts waste food in the Council's bins. You can also get a compost bin for your own garden – that way you can help grow new life from dead material. See the food waste and compost bins and leaflets in The BIG Top recycling display.

#### Memory Verse



Jesus said: "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life" (John 8:12)