

Message to the King: "SOS - Save Us"

News Headlines

Meet the Leaders



Pam

Pam Chapman is the main Leader in The Marquee (4s). Outside of The BIG Top, Pam works for Teddington Baptist Church as a children's worker. She organises Open Door for carers and toddlers every Tuesday and Friday morning. She also runs Busy Bees on Tuesday mornings for children 2½+. On the occasional Saturday morning she also runs Who Let the Dads Out? which is like Open Door but just for dads (or grand-dads) and their kids.

Craftwork

The older children made treasure maps – either drawing their own or decorating and colouring in outline maps already drawn on large sheets of paper.

Thanks to our Sponsors

We are really grateful to all our sponsors. Sainsbury's donated vouchers so we could buy things for use in The BIG Top. Avenue Coatings (Slough) gave the paint used to create the pirate galleon.

Pirated Jokes

We are pirating old jokes! So write them down, bring them in, and put them in the Treasure Chest with all the other pirated jokes. The best are being read out by Captain Kate. Today's pirated joke of the day is:
Q: "How do pirates make their money?" A: "By hook or by crook!"

Where's Pirate Wally?

Every year "Where's Wally?" is a favourite game in the Ring (5-7s). Wally hides somewhere around The BIG Top. The children can hear him but can't see him. They have to guess where he might be hiding. It might be anywhere as long as Wally can hear Captain Kate. He uses a radio-microphone to make himself heard from his secret hiding place.

The Landlubbers have been saved! They sent a desperate SOS (Save our Souls) message to the King. He sent someone to bring them back from the desert island. So the Landlubbers are going home to join the King's navy.

The BIG Top says: The King (that is God) is always ready to save us – all we have to do is ask him!



Puppets, Puppets, Puppets

The BIG Top has lots of puppets this year – Colin the Cockerel in the Rainbow Tent plus Monkey and Parrot in The BIG Top drama. Pirate puppets also appear out of the windows of the pirate galleon and help with the singing of the songs.

Rainbow Tent (3s)

In the Rainbow Tent, the children heard that Noah sent a dove out from the ark to look for dry land. At first it came back tired but without finding anything.



But in the end the dove came back with a branch in its beak so Noah knew the flood was going down. He knew it would soon be safe to come out of the ark. He was grateful to God for saving them all from the flood.

Don't Forget

The Event

Tonight (Friday) evening we have The Event for young people age 11+ at Teddington Baptist Church. It starts at 7.00pm and finishes at 9.00pm. Free admission. Don't miss the live music!

Come and Join the Celebration!

There will be a Celebration Day on Sunday from 10.30am with songs, games etc and a BBQ. For those without children in The BIG Top, Family tickets for the BBQ are available from Reception price £5.

The BIG Top Website

The BIG Top website has photos and newsletters from the all 9 years of The BIG Top.
www.TeddingtonBigTop.org.uk

Talent Show

Don't forget there will be a Talent Show for older children (4-10s) tomorrow (Saturday) – this is your last chance to practice! Encourage your families to come and join us from 10.30am to 12.15pm. What can you do – either by yourself, with your friends, or with your parents? Sing? Juggle? Play an instrument? Tell a pirated joke? Create a picture or a fancy dress costume? .. or what?

Fancy Dress Parade

Tomorrow there will be a Fancy Dress Parade in the Rainbow Tent (3s). So, if possible, the children should come dressed up. But there will also be animal masks provided for those who forget. The children will parade through the Saturday Talent Show being put on by the older children.

Memory Verse

Paul said **"Nothing is as wonderful as knowing Jesus Christ my Lord. I have given up everything else and count it all as rubbish. All I want is Christ."**
(Philippians 3:8)