

## Happy Birthday to the Church

### News Headlines

#### Meet the Leaders



Joy Bell

The Marquee is being led this week by Joy Bell. She is also playing the drums in the band. Joy is a member of Teddington Baptist Church.

#### Behind The BIG Top

The BIG Top is run by Teddington Baptist Church with help from St Peter's & St Paul's Church and Teddington Methodist Church. Over the page you will find details of activities for children and young people which these churches run throughout the rest of the year. Acts 88 also helps run The BIG Top.

#### Craftwork

Today in the Rainbow Tent, the children made hand prints of plants reminding them that God made all the plants. They are learning how God made everything in the world.

The older children made birthday cards for the church celebrating 2000 years of worshipping God and helping people. The church was born at Pentecost when God sent his Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit helped Peter to tell other people about Jesus.

#### Fishy Joke of the Day

We are still fishing for jokes! So keep on writing them down and put them in the oven at Rocky's Plaice. The best will be printed here. Today's Fishy Joke:

Q: *What is yellow and dangerous?*

A: *Shark infested custard!*



**After Jesus died, rose from the dead and went to heaven, Peter and the other disciples felt all alone. But on the day of Pentecost, God sent his Holy Spirit to help them. The Holy Spirit came with the sound of a rushing wind and flames of fire!**

That was the day the church was born (Acts 2:1-42). 2000 years later we are still celebrating the birthday of the church each year at Pentecost.

**The BIG Top says:** *What a wonderful birthday present! The Holy Spirit is with us all the time. He will help us tell people about Jesus.*

#### The BIG Top Daily Drama



Today the J-Team thought they would never get Rocky's Plaice clean. But they prayed for help. They had an answer to their prayer when Mr Muscle and Mr Sheen arrived. When he came back, Mr T was really surprised and pleased to see what they had done. Perhaps Rocky's Plaice will be ready to open on Friday after all. But they still have a lot to do, including learning to cook!

**The BIG Top says:** *Did you work out what the "J" of J Team means? It means Jesus. The team prays to Jesus when it has a problem and they get an answer to their prayers.*

### Don't Forget



On Friday evening this week we have the Rock Café for young people age 11-16. Entry £1-50. It is being held at Teddington Baptist Church. From 7.30pm to 9.00pm.

#### Come to our Celebration Day

There will be a Celebration Day on Sunday from 10.30am until about 2.30pm with songs, a giant inflatable, games etc and a BBQ. Those without children in The BIG Top can buy tickets for the BBQ from Reception: £5 for a Family ticket and £3 for Individual tickets.

#### Memory Verse

**"God loved the world so much that he sent his Son. Now everyone who believes in him will never die and everyone who believes in him will live forever"**  
(John 3:16)

#### The BIG Top Website

The BIG Top website has photos and newsletters from all 10 years of The BIG Top. You can follow all the fun we have had down the years. This newsletter will be there by the end of the day.

[www.TeddingtonBigTop.org.uk](http://www.TeddingtonBigTop.org.uk)

#### Teddington Baptist Church

The BIG Top is being held at Teddington Baptist Church. Sunday services are at 10.30am and 6.30pm. There are lots of activities throughout the year for every age group (see over page). Ask at The BIG Top office for more details or look at:

[www.TeddingtonBaptist.org.uk](http://www.TeddingtonBaptist.org.uk)

#### Spick and Span

In today's drama, the J Team were puzzled by the saying "spick and span". They have asked the children to find out what it means and why we use that saying. The children should put their answers in the oven of Rocky's Plaice.