

Space Mission Complete!

News Headlines

Meet the Leaders



Elizabeth

The Rainbow Tent is being led all this week by Elizabeth Hicks. She retired some years ago after teaching locally for 30 years.

During term-time she helps with Teddington Baptist Church's Busy Bees group (for children aged 2½ to school age) on Tuesday mornings.

Space Crew Titan



One of the Space Crews in the Arena is named after Titan which is a satellite of

Saturn. In 2005, there was a space mission called Huygens which landed on Titan. Another part of the same mission called Cassini is still working sending information back as it orbits round from Saturn.

Stump a Scientist!

Each day we have had scientists answering questions on video. But on Sunday we will have a live panel of scientists. The children should hand in their questions about space today ready for Sunday's panel.

Craftwork

Today the older children turned biscuits into lion faces – and have probably already eaten them! The younger children in The Rainbow Tent learnt how God made them. They decorated mirror frames with jewels – every time they look in a mirror they can remember that God made them just the way they are.

The Sponsoring Churches

The BIG Top is run by Teddington Baptist Church with help from St Mary with St Alban's Anglican Church, St Peter & St Paul's Anglican Church and Teddington Methodist Church. Over the page you will find details of their activities for children and young people.

The intrepid crew of our Space Mission finally made it to the "Not-alive-star" today to deliver their message of goodness, kindness, generosity, honesty and mercy. And what a surprise they had. Underneath all that black clothing, helmets and heavy breathing, Mr and Mrs Darrh turned out to be....well ask the children, we don't want to spoil the surprise!

The BIG Top says: God expects us to deliver his message to everyone we meet. He loves everyone just the same and wants them to love Him.

Memory Verse

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart."

(Proverbs 3:5; NIV)

The UK in Space



Pictured above is Tim Peake (the British astronaut). The children watched a video message from him on Wednesday. He works with the European Space Agency (ESA) and with the UK Space Agency. The UK Space Agency runs a lot of space missions with other countries and with ESA. You can learn more through their websites: www.esa.org; <http://www.bis.gov.uk/ukspaceagency>.

The BIG Top Website

The BIG Top website has photos and newsletters from all 14 years of The BIG Top – by the end of the day, this newsletter will be there too.

www.TeddingtonBigTop.org.uk

Don't Forget

Come to our Celebration Day

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

Rock Cafe



Tonight is the last night of Rock Cafe for young people aged 11-16.

It is being held at Teddington Baptist Church, 7.30pm - 9.00pm. If you haven't already paid, your entry will cost £2.

In the Pit

Today the older children learnt about the time Daniel was put into the lion's pit because he was caught praying to God. Daniel had broken a law introduced by yet another new king (King Darius). The king had been tricked by Daniel's enemies. But to everyone's amazement, Daniel walked out of the pit unharmed after spending an entire night with the lions. Daniel had done what God wanted and God had protected him. Even the king was pleased that Daniel was OK because he had not wanted to punish him.

The BIG Top says: Daniel prayed to God for protection and God saved him from the lions (and also saved him from all his enemies).

St Mary's with St Alban's Church

Some of the Leaders and Helpers at The BIG Top come from St Mary's with St Alban's Church which is near the river at the other end of the High Street. The church's activities for children and young people are over the page. Look at their website for more information about the church.

www.stmarywithstalban.org