



The BIG Top on Wednesday

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with help from other Teddington Churches;

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Flying the Flag in Space!

News Headlines

Meet the Leaders



Siobhan

The Marquee is being led this week by Siobhán Crowther. She is the Children and Families Worker with Teddington

Baptist Church. During term-time she is responsible for groups with pre-school children like Open Door and Busy Bees.

Space Crew Neptune



One of the Space Crews in The Marquee is named after the planet Neptune which is a long

long way from the Earth. Most of our knowledge of Neptune comes from Voyager 2 which took this picture in 1989.

Craftwork

Today the older children coloured and decorated pictures of the fiery furnace with Daniel's 3 friends walking around unharmed in it. Did the children remember to add the extra person and what did they make that extra person look like? The younger children in The Rainbow Tent made hand print flowers as they learnt how God made plants and trees.

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 which run for the rest of the year.

The BIG Top Website

The BIG Top website covers all 14 years of The BIG Top – by the end of the day, this newsletter will be there too.

www.TeddingtonBigTop.org.uk

Today the children saw a union flag which has been to the International Space Station and back. They also watched a short video in which Tim Peake talked about how he became an astronaut.



European Space Agency
Agence spatiale européenne

Tim is a British astronaut with the European Space Agency (ESA) and he is training for his first space mission in 2015. He said that an astronaut's role is very visible but it is just a small part of a huge team that is making space exploration a reality today.

***The BIG Top says:** An astronaut may feel alone in space but they still depend on the work of their back-up team just like we all depend on God!*

Memory Verse

***"Trust in the Lord
with all your heart."***

(Proverbs 3:5; NIV)

Ask a Scientist

Each day this week, the older children are watching a video in which children like them ask questions about space – and get answers from scientists.

There are several scientists helping with the running of The BIG Top. If the children attending The BIG Top have their own questions about space – they should ask one of our scientists.

The Space Academy Theme Song

The older children are learning a song which has a chorus ending with a count-down like the count down when a rocket is about to be launched:

***From the ground into the sky,
In our spaceship climbing high,
Looking back on earth we fly...
we fly. (3... 2... 1... GO!)***

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, tomorrow evening and on Friday evening we have Rock Café for young people

aged 11-16. It is being held at Teddington Baptist Church, 7.30pm - 9.00pm. Entry £5-00 for all 3 days or £2-00 per day.

Fiery Furnace

Today the older children learnt about the time that Daniel's three friends were thrown into a fiery furnace as a punishment for worshipping God rather than the idol made by the king. The king saw that the friends were unharmed in the fire. He said he saw a fourth person in the fiery furnace who looked like a son of the gods. We think this was one of God's angels sent to protect them. When they came out unharmed, the king rewarded Daniel's friends. Now anyone could worship their God without being punished.

***The BIG Top says:* In this country we are not punished for worshipping God. But it still happens in some other countries.**

St Peter's & St Paul's Church

Some of the Leaders and Helpers at The BIG Top come from St Peter & St Paul's Anglican Church which is at the corner of Church Road and Broad Street. The church's activities for children and young people are over the page. Look at their website for more information.

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