

From Darkness to Light

News Headlines

Meet the Leaders



Elizabeth

The Rainbow Tent is being led all this week by Elizabeth Hicks who is a member of the Leadership Team at Teddington Baptist Church. Last year she retired after teaching in local schools for the last 30 years. During term-time she also helps run the Church's Live Wires group on Thursday evenings for school years 3,4,5.

Craftwork



Children in The Ring and The Arena made light catchers today out of old CDs and DVDs. They then

decorated them so they sparkled. If they hang their light catchers in their windows, they will remind them that Jesus is the Light of the World.

Today the children in The Rainbow Tent used handprints to make pictures of plants and flowers – God made all the plants as well as everything else in the world.

Group Names



The group names for The Ring and The Arena were chosen to remind the children that we should all be Wastewatchers, caring for the world around us.

Recycled Joke of the Day

In The Ring and The Arena we are recycling old jokes! The children are brining in their favourite jokes and the best ones get read out to everyone. Today's recycled joke of the day is:

*Why did the frog go to the hospital?
He needed a "hopperation"!*



Jesus came into the world to get rid of all the darkness – all the bad things – and to bring us light.

Jesus shows us what we should do to make life better! However bad we may be, he can make us useful again. Jesus never sees us as "rubbish" he always sees the good things we could be doing and helps us do them!

Clearing up the Mess

In The BIG Top drama, Harry, Larry and Barry have started to help Parkie clear up the mess in the park. They plan to turn an old bath into a pond!



Is it bath? – or is it a pond?

Find out at The BIG Top tomorrow

The BIG Top says: *I wonder how they will get on? – Can something like an old bath become useful again?*

The BIG Top Drama



Parkie



Harry



Barry



Larry

In The BIG Top's daily drama we have four human characters played by the following people:

Parkie	Richard Littledale
Harry	Stephanie Collett
Barry	Tom Chapman
Larry	Luke Littledale

Plus, of course, the two puppets, Monkey and Toucan, who are played chiefly by themselves (with a helping hand from their friends).

The drama tells the story of a park which was a rubbish tip without any fun but which is turned back to a place where people can enjoy themselves. This only happens when the park keeper (Parkie) talks to the three children, Harry, Barry and Larry and then starts work with them to clear up the mess and create a park where people can enjoy themselves.

Don't Forget

Come to our Celebration Day

It will be on Sunday from 10.30am. Songs. Games etc BBQ. For those without children in The BIG Top, Family tickets will be available from Reception: £5.

The BIG Top Website

The BIG Top website has photos and newsletters from all eight years of The BIG Top including this year.

www.TeddingtonBigTop.org.uk

Wastewatcher's Tips of the Day

Ask your Mum and Dad to use energy saving bulbs. Make sure you switch off the light in your bedroom when you leave it.



Talent Show

Don't forget there will a Talent Show in The Ring and The Arena on Saturday – it's not too early 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 materials?..or what?

Memory Verse Song

In the Ring and The Arena we have been learning the memory verse song called "Follow Me" which includes the words:

*In John 8 verse 12, Jesus said:
"I am the light for the world.
Follow me, follow me and
you won't be walking in the dark.
You will have the light,
the light that gives life".*

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