

FAQS FOR IT'S CHRISTMAS EVENT

LIGHTS SWITCH ON

Q. What time is the Lights Switch On?

A. 5pm

Q. Who is turning on the Lights this year?

A. Town Mayor Janice Henwood and the winners of the Mayor's Christmas Card Competition. They will be joined by Jack the Lad from More Radio.

Q. Where is the Lights Switch On?

A. At the Stage in Church Walk

Q. Is there a wheelchair viewing area for the lights switch on?

A. Yes, a barriered area will be put in place at the front of the crowd, by the stage, at 4:30pm. Please speak to the member of staff on the gate. Wheelchair users are allowed in with a family member/ carer. The wheelchair area is not for those with buggies.

SANTA'S GROTTTO

Q. Where is Santa's Grotto?

A. In the former Argos Unit in Marketplace Shopping Centre.

Q. Who is running Santa's Grotto?

A. Central Sussex Rotary, Burgess Hill District Lions, Mid Sussex Round Table and Burgess Hill and District Rotary.

Q. Is the Grotto free?

A. Yes. All children will receive a present. There are voluntary donation buckets available for those that would like to contribute.

STAGE PERFORMANCES

Q. Who is performing on the stage?

A. 11am and 12pm - Tomfoolery, 1.30pm – Ariel Academy, 2pm – Southway Junior School, 2:30pm – Mollie Thomson, 3pm – Haywards Heath College, 3:30pm – Sussex Harmonisers, 4pm – Burgess Hill Marching Youth, 4:30pm – George Stathakis.

Q. Where is Burgess Hill Marching Youth parading?

A. Starting at the former library site, Marching Youth will parade through the Marketplace Shopping Centre, onto Church Road and down Church Walk to the stage.

Q. Who is doing the stage/ sound for the event?

A. Mid Sussex Radio are providing stage and sound for the day.

ACTIVITIES AND ENTERTAINMENT

Q. What activities are there today?

A. Face painting in the Help Point, 12 – 4pm, photobooth caravan on Church Walk, 11 – 5pm, Santa's Grotto in the former Argos Unit, 12 – 4:30pm.

Q. Are the activities all free?

A. Face painting and the photobooth caravan are free. Other stall holders may charge for their activities.

Q. What walkabout entertainment is there today?

A. The Flying Buttresses are debuting their new act 'Present Company', two animatronic stocking puppets. Dickensian Christmas Ding Dong is an interactive Christmas music act. The Imperial Outlanders will be attending, dressed as Marvel and Star Wars characters.

FOOD

Q. Where can I buy food at the event?

A. Rosie's Brews and Bites, Tasty Grub and La Boulangerie du Marche are all selling food. See site map for their locations. There are also local businesses nearby that sell food.

FACILITIES

Q. Where are the nearest toilets?

A. There are public toilets in the Marketplace Shopping Centre and in the Martlets, by the former Lidl building.

Q. Is there free parking?

A. Yes. From 1pm, there is free parking in short stay car parks, run by Mid Sussex District Council (Cyprus Road, Station Road and Church Road). The Marketplace Shopping Centre car park, near Waitrose will be free from 1pm – 6pm.

LOST PROPERTY

Q. I've lost something, can you help me find it?

A. All lost property we are given will be taken to the Help Point. We will put a call out on social media following the event.

Q. I've found some lost property, what shall I do with it?

A. Please take it to the Help Point, at 96 Church Walk.