



**Birthday Cards and Birthday Balloons**  
welcomed the families at February Messy Church.  
We celebrated our **8th year** of St Martin's Messy Church with:  
**ANDY'S MAGIC**



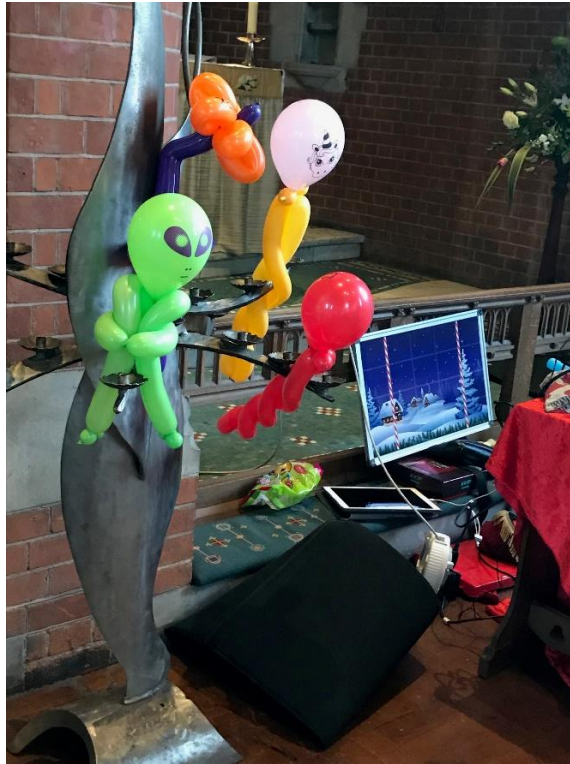
His bubble machine welcomed 82 parents, grandparents, carers and children.  
The fun-packed show held the attention of all ages. Jokes, magic tricks, music, modelling balloons.



Willing volunteers helped Andy with the tricks. Using the Magic Wand is Lottie. Waving it and saying “Abracadabra”, she turned one red handkerchief into a huge, four-coloured square.



All the children took home a model balloon. There were dogs, giraffes, flowers, bears, and swords.



Swash-buckling sword fights were erupting between friends. Until one of the swords went POP! Edmund and Benedict tried to gently undo their models to redo them. Easier said than done!

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Hot dogs, Jelly and Ice-cream were served for our party lunch. The little cupcakes made by our ladies, were a firm favourite. Jill said she'd made a few more for Saturday. It was good that she had, as we had approaching 100 to celebrate this very special occasion"!!!

Rev Andy Stand led our morning service on Sunday 17th February. He was asking the children what made them happy.

Esther said "The Messy Church Party".  
It made us all feel "Happy" too, Esther!

**Our next Messy Church is  
Saturday 16th March at 10.00am.  
Come and join us. Everyone is welcome.**

**Gail Rowley**