

# THIS Christmas IN DARWEN

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# SAT 17 NOV CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON

#### **DARWEN MARKET SQUARE, 4.30PM**

Join Rock FM's Steve and Janine out on the market square for this year's official Christmas Light Switch On Event. Kicking off the festive period in style, there will be live music and celebrity guest NADINE COYLE from GIRLS ALOUD, culminating in a fireworks display and the illumination of the lights across town.



# **EVERY FRIDAY:** 23 NOV-14 DEC

FESTIVE FRIDAYS WITH DARWEN PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Every Friday this festive period Darwen Primary School choirs will be performing your favourite Christmas Carols in the market. What better way to get in the festive spirit whether you're hunting for that special Christmas gift or doing your weekly shop. Come and support these budding young choral stars.



# **EVERY SATURDAY IN DEC PLUS CHRISTMAS EVE** SANTA'S GROTTO WITH DARWEN ROTARY



Visit Santa at his Grotto inside Darwen Market Annexe on the 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 24th December. Children get the chance to meet Santa, have their picture taken and receive a Christmas gift. (A small charge applies.)

# SAT 24 NOV

**URBAN GYPSIES** DARWEN MARKET. 10AM-2PM

Join the Urban Gypsies a unique, quirky, interactive dance entertainment group with colourful costumes and foot tapping tunes for some festive fun.

# SAT 1 DEC

#### FESTIVE FUN WITH JACKS OF FROST DARWEN MARKET SQUARE, 10AM-3PM

Always up to mischief, the Jacks of Frost are a frosty pair. This twinkly twosome on stilts are like massive icicles walking through the streets, talking to passers-by and making a joke or two.

#### DARWEN MARKET WELCOME'S USBORNE BOOK STALL

**DARWEN MARKET. 9AM-4PM** 

Visit Darwen Market's pop up book stall selling Christmas books for children & young people.

## SAT 8 DEC DARWEN CHRISTMAS MARKET

# DARWEN MARKET SQUARE. SAT 10AM-9PM

Following the success of the Christmas Market last December, Darwen Town Council once again bring festive stalls offering gifts, food & drink.

## **DARWEN MARKET'S** CHRISTMAS KITCHEN

your festive food and drink.

Following on from the success of the first Market Kitchen this festive edition sees your favourite traders create some classic recipes with their own special twist. Be sure to stop by for free tasters, recipe cards and to pick up all

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## DARWEN BRASS BAND DARWEN MARKET. 11AM-PM

Christmas is getting closer and whilst you snap up those last minute gifts and pack your pantry full of festive food Darwen Brass Band will be performing all your favourite seasonal songs in the market.

# SUN 9 DEC – MON 24 DEC **JACK & THE BEANSTALK** DARWEN LIBRARY THEATRE. VARIOUS TIMES

Follow Jack up the Beanstalk with his brother Billy... and Daisy the Cow, as they battle the Giant and his evil sidekick Fleshcreep to rescue the heart of Princess Jill, in this funny musical pantomime for all the family.

# SAT 15 DEC **MEET SANTA'S REINDEER** DARWEN MARKET SQUARE. 10AM - 2PM

What is more iconic than santa and his reindeer? These majestic animals are at the very heart of Christmas and this December two very real reindeer will be visiting Darwen town centre with Santa's elves. A must see for all young children (and the young at heart).

### MUSIC AT THE MARKET HALL DARWEN MARKET, 10AM-2PM

Brought to you by Crafty Vintage this festive afternoon brings vintage vocals and dancing with a seasonal twist, sure to get you in the Christmas spirit.

# **THUR 20 DEC**

#### BRAMBLES EAST SHOWCASE

#### **DARWEN MARKET SQUARE, 11AM**

Following the success of their first showcase in July, students from Brambles East will be showcasing their talents with a live performance in Darwen Town Centre. Come and see them perform outside the Market Entrance for a 30 minute set and show them some support!

# SAT 22 DEC

### **BIZZE BEE'S CHRISTMAS** CRAFTS

DARWEN MARKET. 10AM-2PM

Brought to you by Crafty Vintage this Bizze Bee's Christmas Crafts event is perfect for kids and big kids alike. Free face painting and craftv activities.

#### **BLACKBURN PEOPLE'S** CHOIR

**DARWEN MARKET, 1PM** 

SCHOOL STREET, 2PM

This community choir are back by popular demand. The well-known, acapella group put on a fantastic show. They are set to entertain you with their choral interpretations of timeless and seasonal classics.

### CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT

#### **DARWEN MARKET SQUARE, 4–7PM**

Join Darwen Rotary for this festive carol concert on Saturday 22nd December. Grab a hot drink, take part in the Rotary raffle raising funds for Darwen Tower repairs and enjoy all your favourite Christmas carols.





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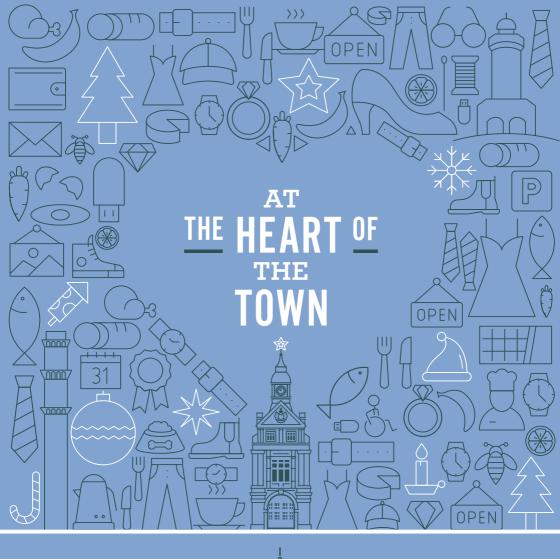












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