

# Teletubbies are back with Big Hugs! (Plus a Twitter Competition!)

**Tinky Winky, Dipsy, Laa-Laa and Po** are back in an all new **DVD entitled, Big Hugs!**



The lovable foursome return today (Monday 16th January 2017) with some all new episodes.

For those of you who somehow aren't familiar with these characters, firstly, where have you been?! And secondly, let me fill you in...

Teletubbies is a British pre-school TV series by Ragdoll Productions. The show revolves around 4 main characters, Tinky

Winky (Purple), Dipsy (Green), Laa-Laa (Yellow) and Po (Red). The general idea is that each of the characters has an antenna on top of their head which acts like a TV aerial. This glows when it receives a video message from a child and the lucky chosen Teletubby has the clip shown on a TV in their tummy! They live in Tellytubby land (over the hills and far away...I am just, sadly, over the hill) and they indulge in fun, frolics, silliness and Tubby Toast.

The clips shown in their tummies are always from children and can be from anywhere in the world. They often show normal day to day activities and experiences that our own children are familiar with such as going to the shops, going in a lift, washing a baby, watering flowers, etc (Sidenote: I haven't seen a, 'mummy goes mad because the child has drawn on the wall wither permanent marker', episode yet though. I might suggest that to the producers). My little one's favourite clip is of some kids playing hide and seek in a park. He literally thinks it is the best thing ever and is always giggling at it. He does love to hide does Ben, especially when he has been naughty.

Yes, I too thought the show was a bit of an odd, and perhaps even a slightly bonkers, idea when it was released back in 1997 (I know, I cannot believe the show is 20 years old this year either!) but do you know what, the kids LOVE it (and I secretly think they're pretty cute too). I vividly remember my cousin being little watching this and she was absolutely spellbound by it. She barely blinked. Meanwhile, all the parents hovered around at the back of the room wondering how anyone that wasn't drunk could dream something like this up.

I always have the best ideas after a G&T, 'tis true.

The Teletubbies communicate by using jibberish and basic words, a bit like our own toddlers do. This makes them resemble young children and means our little tots are able to relate to them easily. I know my toddler thinks they are

hilarious and he LOVES to sing along with the theme tune (and show his belly off like a Teletubby because, well, why not when you're 2?!)

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The show was revived again in 2015 with the voices of Jane Horrocks as the voice on the tubby phone, Jim Broadbent as a trumpet and Fearne Cotton also as a trumpet (nope, I had no idea about that either!) New voices joining the show for this 20 year celebration are David Walliams and Rochelle Humes!

To further mark the 20 years since the start of the show, we will see a brand new song for the Tiddlytubbies (Mi-Mi, Daa Daa, Baa, Ping, RuRu, Nin, Duggle Dee and Umby Pumby). These little rugrats are baby Teletubbies. They're pretty cute and seen as a lot of young children have baby siblings, it's a wonderful way for them to understand how to interact with them.

Having now aired in 120 different countries in 45 different languages, I think it is pretty safe to say that Teletubbies are now part of Children's TV history.

Slightly surreal, imaginative, curious, educational and magical. Sit down with your little one for a watch, I am sure you will enjoy it!

**[You can buy your copy of Big Hugs today via Amazon!](#)**

To find some wonderful [Teletubby related activities to do with your little one](#), head over on the [CBeebies website!](#)

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**Win one of 3 copies of Big Hugs by entering my twitter competition!**

To be in with a chance of winning one of 3 copies of Teletubbies Big Hugs DVD's I have up for grabs, simply head on over to my twitter page, give me a follow and re-tweet the below tweet – that's it!

**[CLICK HERE TO ENTER ON TWITTER!](#)**

3 winners will be chosen at random.

All entrants must have followed @lifeisknutts on Twitter and re-tweeted the competition.

Competition closes on Monday 23rd January at 10am.

**Winners will be contacted via direct message on Twitter.**

**Copies of the DVD's will be sent once the winners names and addresses have been received.**

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