**Christmas is coming to Bedford!**

Christmas in the Town Centre starts with the **Christmas Flea Market**, bringing festive fresh produce and a cracking range of local artworks to St Paul’s Square on 13th November. Then on Saturday 19th November, it’s your chance to **Rediscover Bedford at Christmas**! Bedford Markets’ resident Charter stalls will be joined by some extra special sellers, as well as live performances and free entertainment for all to enjoy, before the town centre’s Christmas lights are switched on at dusk from Harpur Square.

Don’t forget, **Black Friday** is on 25th November, so head to town for some great pre-Christmas deals, and if you have little ones, book your trip to visit Santa, who will be in his **Grotto at the Harpur Centre** from 26th November right up until Christmas Eve!

**3rd of December – Love Bedford, Shop Local!**

Love Bedford invites you to the Town Centre for this celebration of all the fantastic venues we have to offer! Come in early and grab a **Love Bedford at Christmas Goodie Bag**, which includes a **£5 Love Bedford Voucher** to spend in the town centre, Keep-it-safe purse bells and festive treats. There will also be a photo-fabulous floral installation adorning the Silver Faces, and live performances to enjoy on Harpur Square, so why not come in with friends and enjoy it together! You can also head over to St Paul’s Church for the annual **Christmas Tree Festival** (30th Nov – 4th Dec), and decide which venue to vote for in the **Love Bedford Christmas Window Competition** (vote online).

**10th & 11th December – The Christmas Town Market**

Save these dates for Bedford Market’s biggest Christmas event, supported by **Made In Bedford**! The Love Bedford Express land train will be giving free rides through the town centre, departing from Silver Square. There’ll be other free amusements and lovely live performances too - and to add even more festive cheer, refreshments of the ‘Christmas kind’ will be served from the Harpur Suite. It’s a lovely opportunity to discover some extra special gifts, and spend some quality time with friends and family.

**17th and 18th December – Love Bedford, Have Fun!**

To kick off the School holidays, Love Bedford is inviting parents, grandparents and anyone else with little ones to entertain this Christmas to visit the Town Centre for some **FREE festive fun**! We’ll have face painting, balloon artistry and fairground rides for youngsters - a great opportunity for making family memories and enjoying time together in Bedford Town Centre.

*For more information and updates as we head towards the Big Day,*

*please visit* [*www.lovebedford.co.uk/Christmas.php*](http://www.lovebedford.co.uk/Christmas.php)