



The Thornton Times

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Hello Everyone,

Wow! What a week and what a day we have had today! We were honoured and mesmerised by Dr Maggie Aderin-Pocock MBE this morning during her inspiring talk to Year 5 about Space. The children thoroughly enjoyed hearing about the solar system, VLTs (Very Large Telescopes), ELTs (Extremely Large Telescopes) and ideas for vehicles and homes people could use in the future if they live on the moon or other planets. We loved it when she told us about following her crazy dream, and would encourage everyone to use <https://www.safesearchkids.com/> to find out more about her and her amazing work! Thank you so much to her, and her lovely daughter, who helped inspire us all.

Cathy Grace, Deputy Headteacher



Children In Need

A big thank you to everyone who attended the coffee morning, we had some happy parents who managed to grab a bargain at the Jumble sale. If you have any unwanted items in good condition at home please donate them to us. We raised an amazing **£824.72** in total for children in need.

Thank you for supporting us!

Pastoral Manager Ms. Devi



WE Schools Assembly

Year 5 and the school councillors enjoyed an assembly by the WE schools. The school councillors also took part in the workshops, activities and created an action plan relating to different global issues.

Global Citizen Lead— Mrs Bibi



The school newsletter for children, parents and carers of Thornton Primary School.



Road Safety Week

Car seats and the law



This week we focused on Road Safety and the main focus was on why the children should use a car seat. We discovered that there is a real misconception that some of the children thought they are too big to use a car seat!

If your child is shorter than 135cm, they need to be in a car seat, it is the law. Pupils less than 135cm in height, should be in a high back booster seat like the picture above. This is to ensure the seat belt is in the correct position.

Year 5 Jazz Assembly

The Year 5 had a fantastic assembly. Pupils spoke about the origins of Jazz music, key figures within Jazz including Ella Fitzgerald, they gave a brief description about the important instruments used within Jazz. Pupils also shared an insight into Floella Benjamin's life and discussed Willard Wigan's work on micro sculpture. The Assembly ended by pupils singing Paper Moon. It was a great success!



Dates for your diary

Important DATE!

Year 4 Stay and Spell –Wednesday 27th November
9.00am – 9.30am

Year 5 Stay and Spell –Tuesday 3rd December
9.00am – 9.30am

Christmas Dinner Dates –Tuesday 10th December
from 11.45 am

Wednesday 11th December from 11.45 am

Thursday 12th December –Election Day –School
closed for all pupils

Christmas Fayre – Friday 13th December from
2.00pm until 5pm. **SCHOOL CLOSERS AT 2PM
ON THIS DAY**

Year 3 Nativity –Tuesday 17th December

Last day of Autumn Term 2 – Friday 20th
December –we close at 2.30pm

Teacher Training Day –Monday 6th January
(school closed to pupils)

School Re-opens to pupils – Tuesday 7th January



Peer Mediators

Peer mediators are trained and ready to go!

Peer mediation is a process where those involved in a disagreement volunteer to discuss the issues and explore how best to move forward.

This will hopefully help children develop basic skills of communication and conflict resolution. Our mediators can be found in the playground during lunchtimes.

Christmas Dinner

Please ensure if you would like to book a Christmas dinner with your child the reply slip needs to be returned to the school office by **Friday 29th November**. Christmas adult dinner is £3.50 per person. Please make payments via Parentpay.

Dinner Money and After School Club Payments

Please ensure your dinner money and after school club payments are paid in advance at the start of the week and not in arrears. Dinner money is **£2.40** per day and **£12** per week. After school club is **£2** per day and **£10** per week. Thank you for your support.

Class Attendance

Well done to Snowy Owl 3, Tawny Owl 3, Great Horned Owl 5 and Tawny 5 who achieved 100% class attendance

The following classes achieved 97% and above attendance last week.

Year 3 –Eagle Owl 3, Great Horned Owl 3,

Year 4 –Snowy Owl 4, Great Horned Owl 4, Barn Owl 4,

Year 5 –Eagle Owl 5, Barn Owl 5,

Year 6 – Eagle Owl 6, Great Horned Owl 6.

Well done year 3 and year 5 they had the best year group attendance!