# THORN GROVE GAZETTE FRIDAY 21ST NOVEMBER 2025



Dear Thorn Grove Families,

Welcome to this week's edition of Thorn Grove Gazette on a very cold and icy Friday! Thank you for all the Christmas Hamper donations we have received today, the PTA elves are already at work putting them together as we speak. This week your child will have brought home raffle tickets; we would really appreciate it if you could sell these and if you can sell more please ask at the front office.

Have a lovely weekend, Miss Vose

## **Key Dates**

Wed 26<sup>th</sup> Nov - LKS2 Athletics

Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Nov - Non-Uniform Day/ Chocolate

**Donations** 

Tue 2<sup>nd</sup> December - Y5 & 6 Christmas Carol Concert

Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Dec - Non Uniform Day / Bottle Donations

Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Dec - Christmas Fair

Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Dec - EYFS Christmas Performances

Tue 16<sup>th</sup> Dec - KS1 Christmas Performance







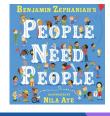
#### Assembly of the Week - Inspired by others

In this week's assembly, we explored a non-fiction book about the life of Benjamin Zephaniah, one of our inspirational authors. We learned about what inspired him to become a writer, some of the challenges he faced while growing up, and how these experiences helped shape the person - and poet - he became. We enjoyed discovering how determination, creativity, and staying true to yourself can help you overcome obstacles and make a positive difference in the world.

We also took part in a shared reading of one of his poems, 'People Need People' and enjoyed thinking about its message of kindness, connection, and







### 'Togetherness'- the new name for 'In our Place'

The Solihull Approach online courses for families could previously be found at In Our Place. Following a rebrand, Solihull In Our Place is now called Togetherness which aims to make parenting support accessible and reduce stigma, helping improve emotional wellbeing across the UK. Here's what's changed;

- A new and improved website and digital experience.
- A Fresh online learning pathway for parents.
   Understanding your child in a changing world.
- Updated school training and resources for an evidence based whole school approach.
- A consistent new look and feel that highlights Togetherness' values and strengths across all platforms.
- Online courses are now referred to as learning pathways for parents to build confidence for raising kind, emotionally aware, resilient children who can thrive across all walks of life.

Families can access the learning pathways for free by entering the code **REDROCK** along with their Stockport postcode at <a href="https://togetherness.co.uk/mul/stockport/">https://togetherness.co.uk/mul/stockport/</a>

#### LKS2 Dodgeball

On Wednesday evening, 8 excited children attended a Dodgeball competition at St James High School. This was the first time a lower Key Stage 2 dodgeball event had taken place. Our enthusiastic players participated in 10 games and their resilience and determination shone through as they competed against other schools. The event was not only fun but also provided an excellent opportunity for the children to improve their techniques and strategies, whilst boosting their confidence. As always, we were incredibly proud of all their efforts and they all showed the spirit of the games - honesty. Well done everyone. A great team effort.









