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Dear Year 5 Parents / Carers

First Aid Awareness w/c 22nd April 2024

Thorpe Primary School will be having a First Aid Awareness week after the Easter break. As part of this week the children in Year 5 will be learning about CPR and how to use a defibrillator on Monday 22nd April.

The lesson will be taught by Magpas Air Ambulance and will be taught sensitively using information and resources which meet the UK Resuscitation Councils Guidelines. Magpas Air Ambulance are teaching across our community to ensure people have the skills they need to try to save a life should they ever need them.

During the lesson Magpas Air Ambulance staff will demonstrate the process people should follow if they discover someone who has collapsed and stop breathing normally to give the person their best chance of survival. It will also discuss the importance of calling 999 and asking for help. In the UK, less than one in ten people who suffer an out of hospital cardiac arrest survive. By comparison, countries who teach CPR skills to children see survival rates of up to nine in ten. **The session is to raise awareness and it will be emphasised that children would not be expected to help with CPR should a real-life emergency occur.**

Your child may have questions around some of the topics and themes that will be explored in class and we encourage further discussion at home wherever possible. For more information, we would recommend visiting RCUK's website at <https://www.resus.org.uk/> where many frequently asked questions are answered. The children will of course be able to ask questions on the day.

The opportunity to work with Magpas Air Ambulance has been made possible through our ongoing collaboration with Graham Construction. You may recall we have worked with Graham Construction to donate Easter eggs to Little Miracles and last year when they led STEM workshops in school. As part of this wonderful opportunity Graham Construction would like to take some photos of the children during the workshop.

Please give permission for GRAHAM Construction and Magpas to take photos of your child during this first aid awareness session.



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Please confirm that you give permission for your child's photo to be taken and used in this way. Click on this link to give your permission. [Photo Permission](#)

Yours sincerely

Mrs Paula Jeremaes

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