

What's happening in the news this week?



Earthshot Prize 2024

Let's have a look at this week's poster!

25th November - 1st December 2024

How can we raise awareness of important issues?





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How does it make me feel?



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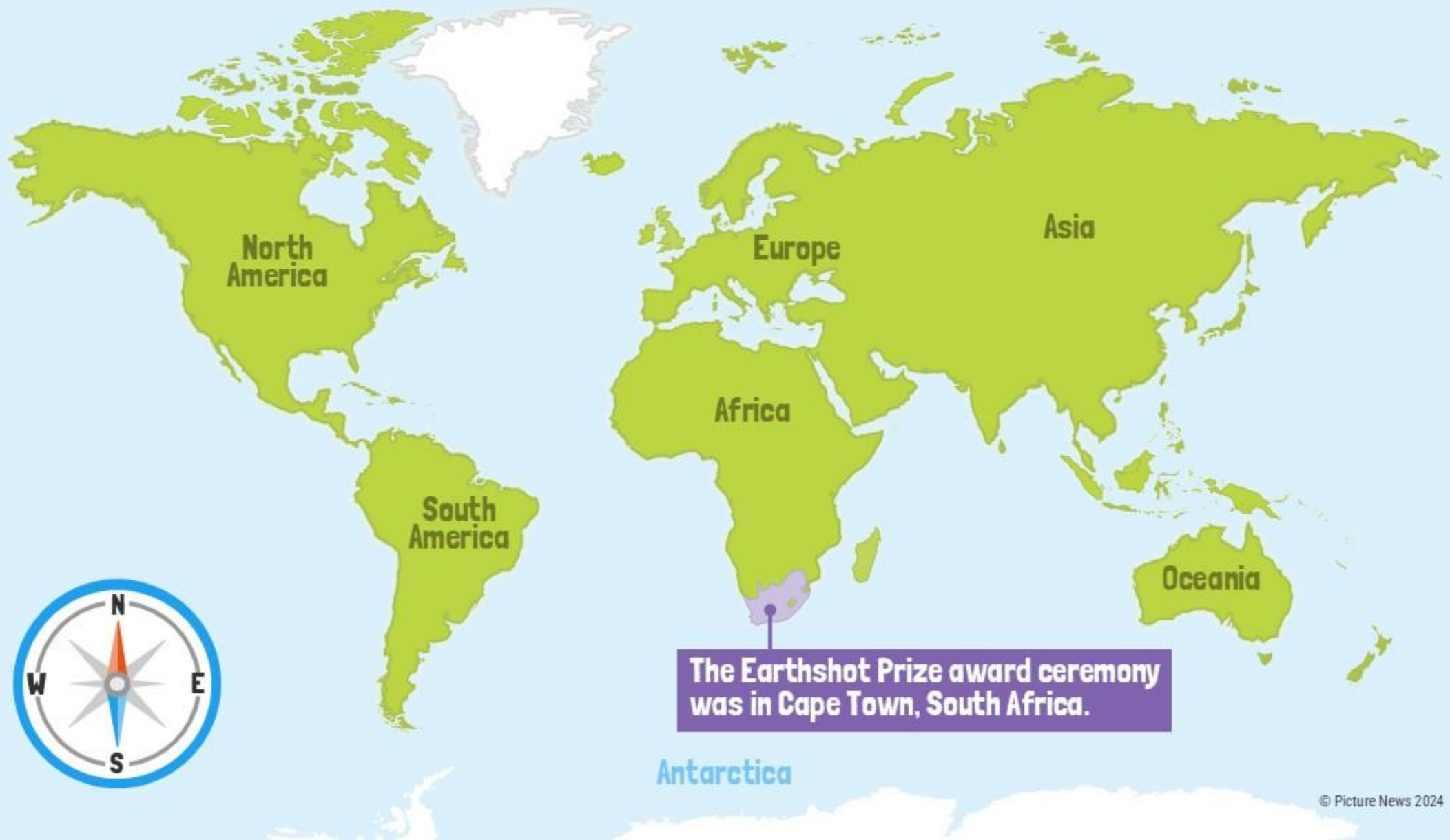
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This week's story looks at events related to ...





Read the information found below about the Earthshot Prize. What other projects or campaigns are you aware of that have been created to protect the planet?

What is the Earthshot Prize?

The Earthshot Prize is an annual event, created in 2020 by Prince William and British wildlife presenter and historian, David Attenborough.

Each year, five winners receive £1 million to scale up projects designed to fight different environmental issues, from air quality to protecting the oceans.

On its website, the Earthshot Prize says it intends to find and grow the solutions that will repair our planet, 'We face our greatest challenge – to regenerate the place we all call home in the next ten years.'

A network of nominators search the globe for the latest innovations and creative problem solvers, whose work and ideas support the Earthshots.

I believe our world can be rich in possibility, in hope, and in optimism.

That is why the Earthshot Prize exists. To champion the game-changers, the inventors, the makers, the creatives, the leaders.

Prince William speaking about the Earthshot Prize.

What are the five Earthshot goals?

The project is based on five Earthshots – 'simple but ambitious and universal goals for 2030 developed in collaboration with leading environmental experts'. They are:



**Protect
and Restore
Nature**



**Clean Our
Air**



**Revive Our
Oceans**



**Build a
Waste-free
World**



**Fix Our
Climate**

Above: Earthshot goals, www.earthshotprize.org



Look at the resource below, which helps you to explore the five Earthshot goals.

Protect and restore nature

What kinds of animals, trees, or flowers do you see near where you live? Why do you think it's important to protect plants and animals? How could we help nature to grow and stay healthy?



Clean our air

How do you feel when you're outside in nature, breathing in fresh air? What makes the air feel fresh or not so fresh? What do you think could make our air cleaner?

Fix our climate

Have you noticed how the weather changes from season to season? What might happen if the Earth gets too warm? How would that change things for animals, plants, and people? What are some ways we could help keep the Earth healthy and not too warm?



Revive our oceans

What kinds of things live in the ocean? Have you ever seen rubbish on the beach or in the sea? How do you think it affects the animals? What could we do to help keep the oceans clean and safe?



Build a waste-free world

What happens to things like plastic bottles or food scraps when we throw them away? How could we reuse or recycle things, instead of throwing them out? What's one thing we could do to help reduce waste every day?





Look at the resource below, which shares some information about the five Earthshot Prize Winners.

Protect and Restore Nature

Winner - Altyn Dala Conservation Initiative, Kazakstan

Its mission is to protect and restore Kazakhstan's Golden Steppe, an area of grasslands and wetlands the size of France. This initiative has saved the critically endangered saiga antelope from extinction.



Saiga antelope.

Fix Our Climate

Winner - Advanced Thermovoltaic Systems (ATS), USA

ATS has developed a technology that transforms waste heat from industries, such as cement and steel production, and converts it into electricity. This technology has the potential to save gigatonnes of CO₂.

(A gigatonne is a unit of weight equivalent to 1 billion tonnes.)



Source: www.earthshotprize.org.

Revive Our Oceans

Winner - The High Ambition Coalition (HAC) for Nature and People, Global

The HAC is a group of 119 countries with the goal of protecting 30% of land and oceans by 2030. Currently, only 17% of the world's land and 8% of its oceans are protected. The HAC connects governments, provides them with technical and financial support, and holds them accountable.

Build a Waste-Free World

Winner - Keep IT Cool (KIC), Kenya

KIC helps small farmers and fishers by providing sustainable refrigeration systems. The cold storage units are solar-powered and have significantly reduced spoilage and waste.

KIC has plans to grow into East Africa and beyond so they can support more communities.



Clean Our Air

Winner - Green Africa Youth Organization (GAYO), Ghana

GAYO's 'Zero Waste Model' is designed to help people make changes so that waste can be managed across Africa. In 2023, GAYO kept 170 tonnes of waste out of landfills.



Do you think these environmental solutions repair the planet? Discuss how impactful, inspiring and inclusive they are.

How can we raise awareness of important issues?



Reflection



The world is everyone's responsibility; we all have a part to play in taking care of it for future generations. Every action, no matter how small, can help protect and shape the future of our planet.





Democracy

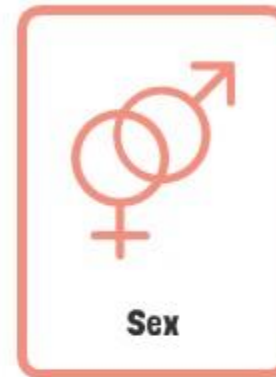
I can use my voice to raise awareness of issues that are important to me, like the environment. My opinions should be heard and I should listen to the opinions of others too.

Protected Characteristics



Ideas about how the world was created and how we should care for it can be shaped by someone's religion or belief.

We should never be treated unfairly because of our religion or belief.



Sex



Sexual Orientation



Age



Disability



Gender Reassignment



Marriage and Civil Partnership



Pregnancy and Maternity



Race



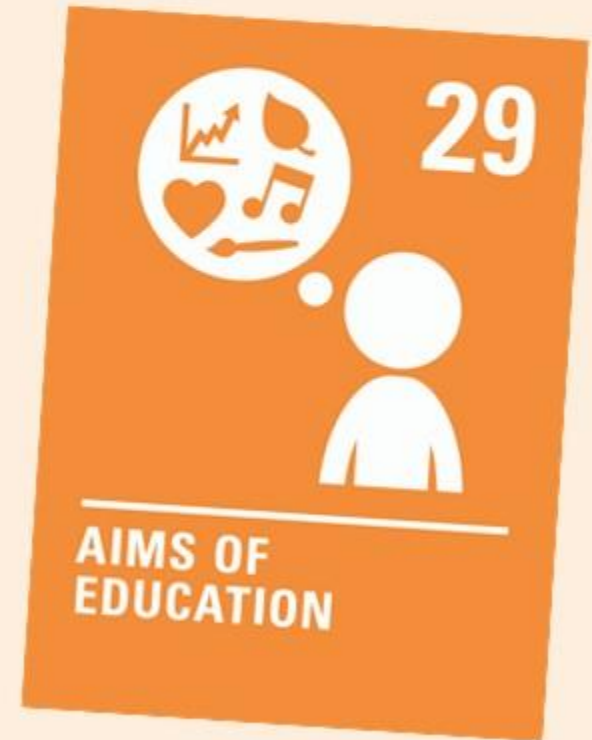
Religion or Belief



UN Rights of the Child



Our education should help us live peacefully and protect the environment.



Useful vocabulary



Champion

To strongly support something and help it to succeed.

'That is why the Earthshot Prize exists. To **champion** the game-changers, the inventors, the makers, the creatives, the leaders.'

Closed

To officially finish or end something.

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Earthshot

Just like a goal or a shot in sports, Earthshot is about aiming high and trying hard to solve big problems that affect our world, like climate change and pollution.

The Earthshot Prize [...] aims to celebrate and support people and companies working to provide innovative solutions for climate and environmental issues.

Nominators

People who look for and suggest others for special awards or recognition.

A network of **nominators** search the globe for the latest innovations and creative problem solvers, whose work and ideas support the Earthshots.

Regenerate

To bring something back to life or make it healthy and strong again.

'We face our greatest challenge – to **regenerate** the place we all call home in the next ten years.'

Scale up

To make something bigger or to adapt something so that it can reach more people.

Five winners receive £1 million to **scale up** projects designed to fight different environmental issues.

Can you use them in your writing this week?

Highway Hullabaloo

A busy highway between two Chinese cities became blocked with nearly 100,000 cyclists earlier this month! The riders were travelling from Zhengzhou to Kaifeng to try some special dumplings, as part of a social media trend called the 'Night Ride to Kaifeng'. Guantangbao are delicious dumplings, filled with warm, tasty soup, and are a local favourite in Kaifeng. The bicycle frenzy started with just four friends, who decided to rent bikes and cycle to Kaifeng to taste the famous dumplings. As more and more people joined, the streets became crowded and blocked with bikes. One of the original four friends said, 'You don't get

a second chance at youth, so you must go for a spontaneous trip with friends.' While it caused a bit of chaos, it was certainly an exciting adventure for everyone involved!



Pictured: Cyclists on their way to get their dumplings! **Source:** @tongbingxue on X.

Whale Rescue!

A humpback whale, that became tangled in fishing ropes, has been set free in Loch Fyne, Scotland. The poor whale had ropes wrapped around its body and head, making it hard for it to swim. A team from British Divers Marine Life Rescue (BDMLR) rushed to help. Using underwater cameras, they saw how tightly the ropes were caught around the whale. 'It was a tricky job, but we're thrilled to see the whale swim away safely,' said BDMLR rescuer Sarah Collins. The team carefully untangled the



Pictured: A humpback whale enjoying its freedom! **Source:** Canva.

ropes, and soon the whale was free to dive back into the sea. Thanks to these brave rescuers, the humpback whale is now safe and swimming happily again! The BDMLR hopes this rescue will serve as a reminder of the importance of keeping our oceans clean and safe for all sea creatures.

What impact can bullying have on a community?



Sometimes the people who bully can be hurt inside but there is still no reason to bully someone and hurt them. Alyza

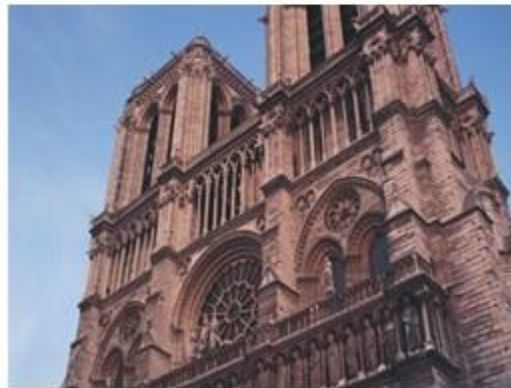
Bells Ring Out!

Notre Dame Cathedral, in Île de la Cité, Paris, is due to reopen on 8th December. It has been restored following a fire that destroyed a lot of the historic building in 2019. Earlier this month, people were overjoyed to hear the bells ringing out across the city for the first time in five years! Chimes from the cathedral's northern belfry were heard by thousands. The eight bells rang as part of a technical test. Three of the bells are new (pictured right), including the recently-gifted 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games bell. This special bell rang out during the Games



Pictured: Cathédrale Notre-Dame de Paris and the recently installed bells.
Source: Cathédrale Notre-Dame de Paris on Facebook.

whenever an athlete won gold or broke a record. Explaining that it was 'the culmination of a big project', Alexandre Gougeon, who managed the bell's installation, said, 'Hearing the bells ring this morning was very moving'.
Do you like to hear bells tolling?
Would you like to visit Notre Dame?



Pictured: Notre Dame. **Source:** Canva.

Magic Circle Mystery!

The Magic Circle has launched a search to find their first female member, who had to pretend to be a man to join! The famous society of magicians is looking for the talented performer to apologise. Before women were allowed into the Magic Circle, Sophie Lloyd fooled the organisation by posing as a male. She passed her entrance exams in disguise, going by the name Raymond Lloyd. After 18 months in the club, when the rules were changed and females were eventually allowed into the society in 1991, she revealed her true identity. The society responded by expelling her for 'deliberate deception'! Chair of the Magic Circle, Laura London, said, 'As a woman in magic it is so important to



Pictured: Sophie Lloyd (as herself and disguised as Raymond Lloyd!).
Source: Laura London Magic on Facebook.

share her story. Because what she was doing essentially was to prove that women were just as good as the guys.' Marvin Berglas from the Magic Circle, explained, 'We're trying to welcome Sophie back because it's such a great story. Being that she was such a pioneer we would love to find her, get her side of the story and honour her.'

How do you think it would feel to have to pretend to be someone else to do what you wanted to do?

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Bullying can have a really bad impact on us because it will hurt people and make them feel like crumpled paper with no way to be straight again!
Dorothy

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Things to talk about at home ...

- Can you tell someone at home a bit more about the Earthshot Prize?
- Do you believe awards are a good way of raising awareness about important issues?
- Have you ever taken part in or contributed to a project with the aim of helping protect and look after the world? Ask others at home whether they have.

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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