



Dove Bank Primary School

Weekly Bulletin - 16.12.22

Merry Christmas!

I would like to thank our whole school community for such an incredible Autumn term! It has been wonderful for us to be able to welcome so many of our families into school over the Christmas period at our various events. We look forward to holding more events in school over the year. Dates will be shared in January.

If you need any help over the Christmas break (including foodbank referrals, advice or support) please do not hesitate to get in contact with me headteacher@dovebank.staffs.sch.uk

From all the staff at Dove Bank, we wish you all a very happy and safe Christmas, or break, and we look forward to seeing you in the New Year. Mrs Dakin

PTA Fundraising

The PTA have done a WONDERFUL job this term raising funds to support the children in school. Just this term, they have raised an incredible £1286.01.

They would like me to pass their thanks on to you for your support. And, as always, I would like to send our thanks back to them! Without such a fantastically, dedicated group of parents, these events would simply not be possible.

I am looking forward to meeting with the PTA team to discuss how the funds will be used in school to best benefit the children.



Holiday Homework

All the children in school have worked incredibly hard this term, and we could not have asked for more! Over the Christmas holidays, we would like them to have a well-earned rest and ensure that they spend plenty of time enjoying time spent with the family.

We do, however, ask that you continue to read with the children daily and make a record of this in their reading diaries.

Our online learning platforms will also be available including Purple Mash, Reading Eggs and TT Rockstars.



Welcome Mrs Fraser

After Christmas, we are being joined by Mrs Samantha Fraser, our New Deputy Headteacher.

Mrs Fraser is going to be teaching alongside Mrs Smith in Year 4, and will also be playing a key role in our continuing school improvement work. We are looking forward to welcoming her into the Dove Bank community.

Please see Page 2 for an introductory letter from Mrs Fraser.



Return to School

Just a gentle reminder that we return to school on Tuesday 3rd January. The doors will be open for the children at 8:40 and they will close at 8:50. Let's start the year as we mean to go on - being in school, on time, every day :)

The children are NOT in school on Friday 6th January as we have some whole school staff training.

Introduction from Mrs Fraser

I am writing to introduce myself as Dove Bank Primary School's new Deputy Headteacher. My name is Mrs Samantha Fraser, and I am very excited about my future here. I am looking forward to getting to know you and your children much better in the New Year.

I come to your child's school with a wealth of experience, having taught in 7 different primary schools across Stoke and Staffordshire. My current role before during Dove Bank is at Waterside Primary, a very large primary school over in Stoke, as the school's Strategic Assistant Headteacher. Whilst in that school, I have also been seconded out to other primary schools to support rapid school improvement.

When I first visited the school and met Sally, I was impressed by the children's behaviour. And on my interview day, they made me feel incredibly welcome, as did the staff.

I have heard many things about the great community spirit in this area. I look forward to working alongside the children and staff as we continue the improvement journey together.

I look forward to meeting you and getting to know a bit more about you. Until then, have a wonderful Christmas, New Year or just a simply a holiday.

Kind regards

Mrs Fraser