



Dove Bank Primary School

Weekly Bulletin - 20.01.22

Do you want to Build a Snowman?

The children (and teachers) had an absolute ball this week in school spending some time playing games in the snow. It was brilliant to bring the whole school together and have fun! I would also like to thank you for your support during the closure of the School on Thursday. It was a difficult decision to make, but with some staff being unable to get here, and Rutland Road being dangerous to drive on, we could not have opened up safely. I hope that it wasn't too disruptive to your day, and you managed to spend some time in the snow.



Volunteers

Do you love to read? Do you love to see the joy on a child's face who has read a tricky word independently for the first time? Do you love seeing the progress that children make when learning to read?

At Dove Bank, we have a strong vision that ALL children will leave KS1 as a fluent reader. That means lots of practise! For a range of reasons, some children do not get the opportunity to read frequently at home or to practise decoding a range of words, and in school we want to ensure that these pupils are given additional practise time.

We are currently looking for volunteers who can support our children by devoting some time, each week, to listen to our children read, and to support them to realise their potential.

If you think that you may be able to support our school in this way, please email me on: headteacher@dovebank.staffs.sch.uk and we can discuss the opportunity in more detail.

World Book Day - Advance Notice

This year, World Book Day is on Thursday 2nd March. On this day, children will be invited to attend school dressed up as a book character (the more inventive, the better!).

They will also be asked to bring into school their favourite book to share with their classmates. We will hold a parade in school so that all children have the opportunity to show their costume to the whole school, and there will be a range of activities, throughout the day, based around reading and books.

PCSO Colin Stepney

You may have noticed that today, PCSO Colin Stepney and PSCO Matthew Hough-Clewes, from Staffordshire Police, were present on the KS1 playground at the end of the day. This is due to several reports from parents regarding a member of the public who is using the playground as a walk through, but doesn't have a child who attends the school.

They are hoping to attend the school sporadically over the next few weeks, so please feel free to approach them to discuss any concerns that you may have. I am sure they would like to say hello.

Calpol in School

We have had responses for 98 of our 184 children to our Calpol permission form. Giving children calpol in school can reduce the likelihood of us having to send children home poorly. If you haven't managed to complete it yet, please click [HERE](#) to access it.

If you do not want to give consent, you can choose that option.