

# Dove Bank Primary School

## Weekly Bulletin - 16.5.2025



Please can all children come to school in PE kit on Tuesday!

EYFS & KS1 9:30 - 11:15

Mrs Bowler's group (including those who do not usually attend on a Tuesday), Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will all take part. Parents are welcome to attend to watch their children.

Picnic Lunch 11:30 - 12:30

ALL families are welcome to join us for a picnic lunch on the school field. You are very welcome to bring along blankets and picnic tables/chairs to get comfy.

KS2 - 1pm

Key Stage two Sports' Day will then take place in the afternoon from 1pm. Parents who have stayed for the picnic will be able to stay to get ready to watch Key Stage 2.

### Sustainability at Dove Bank

This week, our sustainability ambassadors have been busy preparing for Walk to School Week (19th-23rd May). They have been talking to their own class about the impact of cars on the environment, putting up posters and linking this to our Dove Bank icon—health and well-being. Did you guess this week? Walking to school is good not only for our physical health, but our mental health too! Our Walking Bus project continues to be developed and any more walking volunteers welcomed. Please get in touch if you are interested.



Health and well-being

There is a walk to school leaflet attached, page 2 of bulletin.

### Year 6

Year 6 have made us incredibly proud this week. They approached their tests this week with resilience and aspiration. They all tried their very best, and kept a positive attitude throughout! Just brilliant!

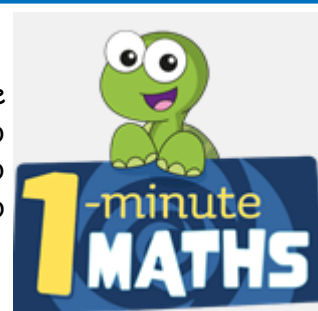
This term year 6 will be joining Forest School on a Wednesday afternoon, the dates are 21/5, 4/6, 11/6 and 18/6.



Academy Photography will be in school on Monday 19th May to take class group and team photos.

### White Rose 1-Minute Maths

In school, we are using the White Rose 1-minute Maths app to increase children's fluency and recall in number facts. This app can be downloaded to any tablet/Ipad for free, and is suitable for children from nursery age to year 6! Please encourage your children to have a go on it at home and to share their scores with their teachers!





## Join our **Walking Warriors** this May for Walk to School Week



Most pupils in Staffordshire live within walking distance of their school and could walk to school on a regular basis, but survey data shows us that not everyone does this. We appreciate that some pupils do live too far away to walk, so why not park further away and walk the last bit of your journey?

### Walking to school has many benefits

Children who walk to school are more alert and more attentive in the classroom than those who arrive in the car.

Walking to and from school helps to keep children physically active, a 15-minute walk will provide your child with half of their recommended daily exercise.

Walking to and from school is great for adults too.

The walk to school can be used to help children develop the necessary road safety skills to help them stay safe when out and about and become independent travellers.



It helps keep the local air clean and is a great way of helping to tackle climate change, we all need to do our bit!

Children in cars are exposed to twice as much pollution as pedestrians, even travelling along the same road.

It keeps the streets around your school free from congestion, making it much safer for everyone.

Walking to school instead of driving saves a family, on average, £400 per year!

## Join in the fun and share your stories

Share with us your Walk to School Week Story on social media by tagging **@AirAwareStaffs** and **@StaffordshireCountyCouncil** into your posts and using the hashtag **#INTOWalkingStaffs** and you may feature in one of our TikTok stories. Please only share photos that you are happy for us to share too.

Ask your school for a copy of your 5/10-minute walk zone map. Every school in Staffordshire has one and it may help you to plan your journey more effectively.

Please visit our **website** or email **INTO@staffordshire.gov.uk**



**@AirAwareStaffs**

**@StaffordshireCountyCouncil**

**#INTOWalkingStaffs**



# May half term activities at The Wellness Workshop, heathcote street Kidsgrove.

**all groups must be booked via**

**<https://bookwhen.com/thewellnessworkshop>**

**find us on Facebook and Instagram**

**@the.wellness\_workshop**

## Decorate your own tote bag



Using paints and pens design and create your own Pattern on a canvas tote bag



## Decorate your own magic wand

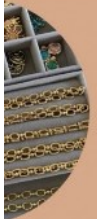


**Age 7-12 yoga**  
**Fri 30<sup>th</sup> May**  
**10:00-10:45**



## Charm bar workshop

Choose up to 5 charms and create your own charm necklace, bracelet or anklet



## Decorate your own sunglasses

**Choose your  
glasses,  
choose your  
beads and  
create!**

Age 6+  
parent/guardian help

## Air dry clay noughts & crosses

week 1 create your board and counters from air dry clay  
week 2 come and paint your pieces

