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Dear Crackley Bank Families,

What an amazing and busy week it has been at Crackley Bank Primary School!

Our week started on Monday with *Mrs Cliffe Day*. It was a fabulous occasion filled with cherished memories for everyone. Today marks Mrs Cliffe's final day with us, and we wish her all the very best as she embarks on her new adventure.

Tuesday brought the excitement of our *Christmas Activity Day*. It was a fun-filled day packed with festive cheer. Thanks to your incredible support, we raised over £500 towards a new outdoor classroom—thank you so much for your generosity!

On Wednesday, we were delighted to welcome Stoke City Community Trust and their mascot, Pottermus, for a *Festive Assembly*. The children enjoyed games, singing, and dancing. We also held our whole-school *Autumn Term Awards Ceremony*, where students were recognised for their achievements in Writing, Maths, and other outstanding accomplishments. The day concluded with our raffle, which saw many families winning fantastic prizes. We truly appreciate your support in making the raffle a success.

Our school Christmas lunches took place over two days this week, and the ladies in the kitchen ensured everyone enjoyed a delicious festive meal—thank you to our catering team for their hard work!

Today, we celebrated *Christmas Jumper Day* with a special assembly led by Sam and the team from Dougie Mac. The children had a wonderful time singing, dancing, and playing games. Your generous donations will go directly to Dougie Mac to support the amazing work they do—thank you!

You may notice your children coming home with gifts from the *Dunelm Christmas Appeal* and *Stoke Community Trust*. These gifts were generously donated by customers and members of the local community. We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to both organisations for their support and kindness.

As we wrap up the term, we have some staff updates to share. Today is Miss Town's final day with us, and we wish her all the best for the future. We are pleased to welcome Miss Booth to our school—she will be teaching in Year 1 after the Christmas break. Miss Booth has already spent time working with the children to ensure a smooth transition.

Additionally, Mrs Lowndes will begin her adoption leave after Christmas, and we are absolutely thrilled for her and her family. Ms Kirkpatrick will be joining our Nursery class in January 2025, and we're excited to welcome her to our team.

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After such a whirlwind week, I think we all deserve a good rest! We hope you and your families have a wonderful Christmas break. We look forward to hearing all about it when the children return to school at **8:45am on Monday 6th January 2025.**

Thank you for your continued support, and we wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

From Everyone at Crackley Bank Primary School



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