

A Weekend Update from Holland Moor- Saturday February 13



Welcome

Welcome to Newsletter - number 22 of the current school year. All previous newsletters can be found on our school website www.holland.lancsngfl.ac.uk

Covid 19

Please remember that if any child who was in school on Thursday or Friday tests positive for COVID 19 within 48 hours of last being in school I need to know so I can pass on the information as required. If this should happen please email me – head@hollandmoor.lancs.sch.uk or telephone the school mobile -07539635522

A message from our Sponsor.

Back in January as I wrote my first newsletter of 2021 little did I imagine how the term would develop. Thanks to everyone who has contributed in any way to the many successes of this first half-term and I look forward to a time when the whole school community can be back together. Thanks to Theo from Class 1-2B this week who sent me a photograph of his dartboard maths game – a great way to learn both addition and subtraction.

Silent Discos at Holland Moor



Our PE lessons have looked a little different this week as the company we hire silent disco equipment from under more normal circumstances, loaned us the headphones etc. for free. The children and staff certainly had a fun time.

Musical Instrument Lessons at Holland Moor.



We currently offer tuition in guitar, ukulele and keyboards. We have 17 participants and 10 children on the waiting list. Tuition is provided free and I offer sincere thanks to Mr McArdle who has

maintained this tuition during lockdown by establishing remote learning lessons on Google Classrooms.

Safer Internet Days at Holland Moor – KS2

This week we've been responding to Safer Internet Day 2021. The focus for children in KS2a was on how to tell fact from fiction and how to work together to create an Internet we can all trust. Classes looked at several dilemmas our children might encounter using the Internet and investigated positive and negative consequences before deciding on the correct / safest option. Children acted out some of the scenarios and used the freeze frame questioning technique to develop their understanding further. Many children at home took part in an online quiz to test their knowledge of Internet safety, which we had made available on Google Classroom.

KS2b children looked at this year's theme of trust by exploring the terminology associated with online influencing as well as understanding the motives of different influencers. They examined a range of scenarios and discussed methods the children already use for questioning what to trust online and strategies for seeking help when necessary. At 13:30, we joined a live assembly in association with Liverpool Football Club.

Poetry



Our children have been writing some poems based on the theme of friendship that are going to be published in the About the Town local magazine. Only a few will be published so over the next couple of weeks I'm going to publish a some myself in this very newsletter.

Here's a recipe for friendship from Brian in Class 3D. Brian says you need

A teaspoon of kindness and a gallon of support

A cup of humour with five splashes of positivity

Half a spoon of happiness plus a packet of sweetness

A jug of love and then you -

Mix them all together for the perfect friendship

Dawson from Class 5B used a rhyming style

A friend is someone we turn to when our spirits need a lift.

A friend is someone we treasure for friendship is a gift.

A friend is someone who fills our lives with beauty, joy and grace.

A friend makes the world we live in a better and happier place.

Thank you for being my friend.

New Feature – Classes of the Week. This week it's Class 4C (Well the 4C Bubble) and RSP

Mr Cooke's lockdown class have taken part in making a display for the class wall. The children made rainbows using tissue paper. They then wrote positive and inspirational messages to fill their clouds.



Class RSP have been learning all about farms. They looked at farm animals, discovered where food comes from and studied crops on different farms. The class made their own butter (their arms were very sore from shaking the jar). The children also talked about different fruit and vegetables and made their own vegetable soup. The children tell me – and I quote – 'It was very yummy.'



Remote Learning Policy / Remote Learning Devices

We still have two ipads to loan out. Contact me at head@hollandmoor.lancs.sch.uk

Donations of tablets and ipads



A local church group has donated many pieces of hardware to Holland Moor to loan out to families. Enormous thanks to them. We are always looking for donations, not just hardware. In recent weeks we've been furnished with cardboard sheets, action figures and some beautiful newish novels

Kelloggs Breakfast Club Awards



We purchased some breakfast snacks for the early risers who attend breakfast club. It's great to be actually serving some breakfast items at a breakfast club.

Time to Chat



Volunteer staff will still hold the mobile telephone during the half-term break. Someone will be available each day.

Great Big Art Exhibition – A Whole School Art Project – Let's Go!



The Great Big Art Exhibition at Holland Moor School

We received some great photographs sent in from home and there's been some beautiful pieces created in school. We look forward to creating the exhibition. Thanks to the many participants.

Running Out Paper – Stationery for home Learning

If you need any exercise books, pens, pencils or crayons etc. – let us know. I've heard about a scheme Viking (a stationery company) are running to donate items to schools for onward distribution to families. I'm checking it out.

Workpacks for Week Beginning Monday February 22nd

These can be collected from school on Friday February 19th between 8.30am and 2.00pm or once school is open from Monday February 22nd.

A message from our local cluster of schools aimed primarily at companies but it's good to get the request out as widely as possible.



Do you have old & unused laptops or tablets that we could re-purpose to support students' digital learning? Send us your devices. It doesn't matter how old they are, as long as they're in working order. Virtue Technologies will data wipe your device to HMG IS5 (Infosec Standard 5). Once the hard drive has been wiped, they'll install a new operating system and SHARES Lancashire will deliver the device to a child who can't currently get online for virtual lessons. Holland Moor is included in this scheme. **To donate your devices:** info@shareslancashire.co.uk or 01695 729 897 after Feb 22nd.

School Attendance during Lockdown 3

Again, thanks to everyone for their understanding of the challenges we face in school. Our attendance this week has varied from 20% to 23%.

February 2021 Colouring Competition



Competition sheets can still be collected from Mr Beale or the school office.

Lunch Menu – For Week Starting Monday February 22nd



Each week we publish the lunch menu in this weekly newsletter. We now include the many extras and alternatives we offer. There is always a vegetarian alternative to the main meals.

Monday 22nd February	Meatballs and Pasta in Tomato Sauce	Beef or Vegetable Scouse with Crusty Bread and Vegetables
	Chocolate Sponge and Peppermint Sauce	Assorted Cookies
Tuesday 23rd February	Bacon Barm Cake or Veggie Sausage Barm Cake with Chips and Vegetables	Baked Fish with Chips and Vegetables
	Arctic Roll	Apple and Raspberry Muffins
Wednesday 24 th February	Beef Lasagne or Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Cheese and Onion Pie with Jacket Potato and Vegetables
	Raspberry Buns	Flapjack
Thursday 25th February	Chicken Fried Rice	Pizza slice with Curly Fries and Vegetables

	Apple Crumble and Custard	Cherry Scones
Friday 26th February	Cheese and Tomato Pasta	Chicken or Quorn Roast with Vegetables and Gravy
	Custard Creams	Jam and Coconut Sponge

Milk, Juice or Water are available each day.

Additional alternatives available every day include fresh fruit, cheese and crackers, ice cream, yogurts, salads, wraps, baguettes, sandwiches and jacket potatoes with assorted fillings.



Remember Mr Edward's Fantastic Half-Term Run



By the time you read this Mr Edwards will have started his 84km run He has set up a Facebook page where people can track his progress and also a go-fund-me page for people to donate.

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/84kin7days>

Go Fund Me - [gf.me/u/y9k3m9](https://www.gofundme.com/u/y9k3m9)

If you need to contact me during the next nine days or if there is any way I can offer help please email me on head@hollandmoor.lancs.sch or ring the school mobile 07539635522. I really don't mind being contacted.

Here's wishing you a great rest of the weekend and a fabulous half-term week! MIKE BEALE
13/02/2021



