

## A Weekend Update from Holland Moor- Saturday September 25



### Welcome and some technical information

Welcome to Newsletter - number 05 of the current school year. All previous newsletters can be found on our school website [www.holland.lancsnafl.ac.uk](http://www.holland.lancsnafl.ac.uk)

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### A Message From Our Sponsor.



We've really settled into a good pattern at Holland Moor this term. I've spent a lot of time in KS2 classes this week and I've been delighted by what I've seen. I can't always mention every class but the non-chronological writing in our KS2b classes about Mongolia was superb. Equally good was the art work based on the works of Joan Miro. KS2a classes have written some marvellous narratives about Faizan and his Magic Carpet and their knowledge about life in the stone-age is increasing apace. Parents and carers of children in Class 4J should ask them about their stone-age visitor this week – a very handsome guy in full costume.

### Punctuality



We've had a much better week with overall punctuality. Please remember we close most gates at 08.55. I don't think the missing fence panel on Wednesday was connected to late children trying to get into school.

### The Holland Moor Parent/Carer App



We now send many reminders by a push notification on the app. Thanks to the many parents and carers who have responded to our contact about GDPR and emergency contact

details. If you have any difficulties downloading or opening the app please speak to Chloe in the office.

## COVID 19



Zero current cases and an absolutely minimal number throughout the term. I read such horror stories of cases amongst both adults and children in other schools but there's no danger of us becoming complacent here. We will remain vigilant.

## National Fitness Day



Enormous thanks to our PE and sports team for ensuring all our children in Reception, year one, year two, year three, year four, year five and year six participated with great enthusiasm and energy in a wealth of fitness activities. It was great to see so many bright red faces. It was equally superb to see our fitness tweets retweeted by national fitness organisations.

## School Support Plans



If we ever feel that there is a danger that a pupil could be falling behind or is finding learning more challenging than his/her classmates we may write a support plan or a catch-up plan. This is a way of guaranteeing that the pupil is receiving the very best provision we can offer. In such a situation we always discuss the plan with the parent/carer and sometimes set targets / learning to be completed at home. We always write new or adjusted targets at the start of each term and occasionally more frequently. Now is the ideal time to write and share such plans and we'll speak directly to you if this is necessary / desirable for your child.

## Walk To School Week



Walk to School Week is coming to Holland Moor on October 18.

Free School Meals



It's school census day on October 07. The number of children on roll and the number of children entitled to free school meals on census day determine our funding for next year. If you think you may be entitled please check by visiting this link.

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## Attendance



The attendance this week was 94.2% a second week below our target figure.

## September 2021 Colouring Competition



Entries for September close on Monday September 27<sup>th</sup>

## Vision Screening For Year 1



Vision screening is an integral part of the universal delivery of the national Healthy Child Programme. Every child in our Year 1 classes will receive an invitation to have their vision tested in school. A detailed letter will be sent home with your child closer to the screening date. Vision screening will be taking place for the Year 1 class children on **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021** An Opt-out consent form will be sent home with your child closer to the screening date. If you do not receive one and wish to Opt-out, please contact the school office.

## Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week



It was great to be in Class 5R this week. Their main song from our Y5 Charanga scheme is Bon Jovi's – Living on a Prayer. The class have really taken to the song and perform it with gusto. This week they added glockenspiels to the performance and Darcey accompanied her classmates by playing the ukulele. A magical few minutes.

## National Poetry Day



We will be celebrating National Poetry Day on Thursday October 7<sup>th</sup> We'll be studying poems, performing poetry and writing our own verse too.

## Class of the Week – This Week It's Class 5R

## Toast



Thanks for all the payments coming in using the various formats possible. One parent has paid £21 for the full year. It's a first but you know we like to innovate here at Holland Moor.

## Toast Volunteers

**Volunteers  
Needed!**



We still need toast volunteers. Anything between one day and five. It's a chance to contribute to school life, meet and chat to like-minded parents/carers and burn your fingers too. (the activity is fully risk-assessed of course).

## Sports Events at Holland Moor



### **Forthcoming Events**

- Tuesday September 28    Football League match
- Monday October 04      Y5/Y6 team v St Thomas's
- Tuesday October 05      Year 3 and Year 4 Football Tournament
- Tuesday October 12      Year 3 and Year 4 Handball Tournament
- Information about many more fixtures to follow

### **Sports Results – Football**



- St Teresa's 0 – 1 Holland Moor A
- Holland Moor A 2 – 0 Hillside
- Cobbs Brow B 0 – 5 Holland Moor A
- Holland Moor B 1 – 0 Little Digmaor
- Cobbs Brow B 0 – 1 Holland Moor B

### **Girls Football**

- Holland Moor 6 – 1 Moorside
- Our next match is against Cobbs Brow on Wednesday October 06.

### **School Clubs**



- Monday - KS2b Football - ending at 4
- Monday – KS2a Fit Kidz – ending at 3.45
- Wednesday - KS2a Football ending at 4
- Wednesday – Year 2 STEM Club using Google Classrooms – 3.45 to 4.30
- Thursday - KS1 Football, ending at 3.45
- Thursday – Year 2 to Year 6 Choir, ending at 3.45
- Thursday - KS2 Netball ending at 4
- Friday - KS2 Girls Football – ending at 3.45
- Friday – KS2 Dodgeball – ending at 4

54 children attended Dodgeball Club yesterday. A great way to end the week!

### STEM Club



In STEM club this week, the Holland Moor Scientists explored how an increase in friction can help you lift objects in weird and wonderful ways. The investigation started by filling an empty bottle full of rice and then putting a stick in it - the stick then came straight back out. However, after tapping the bottle and knocking it against the table, the rice became closer allowing more rice into the bottle. When the stick was put in again, there was more friction on the stick as there was less air in between the grains of rice! Miraculously, the bottle could then be picked up with just a stick! Next week, the children will be making lava lamps! If you would like to join, you will need to add the STEM Classroom to your Google Classroom account. The code is: **wzmmv3k** STEM club runs on a Wednesday after school from 3.30pm to 4.15pm for all children (and their siblings and adults!) from Year 1 to Year 6. Don't forget to that it is a club that is enjoyed from the comforts of your own home through Google Classrooms.

### Lunch Menu – September 2021 – Week 05



Monday September 27	Meatball Spaghetti in a Creamy Tomato Sauce	Cheese and Beans on Toast
	Vegetarian Pasta	Vegetables of the Day
	Cornflake Tart and Custard	Flaked Macaroons
Tuesday September 28	Meat and Potato Pie with Gravy	Chicken Fried Rice
	Butter Cheese Pie	Vegetables of the Day
	Apple Crumble Custard	Chocolate Cookies
Wednesday September 29	Fish Fingers and Chips	Mild Spicy Pork Pasta in Tomato Sauce with Crusty Bread
	Vegetarian All Day Breakfast	Vegetables of the Day

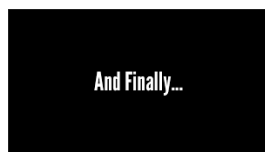
	Jelly and Peaches	Harvest fruit Cake and Custard
Thursday September 30	Chicken Korma with Steamed Rice	Cheese and Tomato Quiche with Jacket Potato
	Vegetarian Curry with Steamed Rice	Vegetables of the Day
	Decorated Orange Cake	Strawberry Whip
Friday October 01	Pizza of the Day with Chips	Gammon with Chips
	Vegetarian Pizza with Chips	Vegetables of the Day
	Vanilla Sponge and Chocolate Sauce	Jam Puffs

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.

### **School Catering Service and Food supply disruption**

Parents / Carers will be aware of the ongoing food supply disruptions and the impact this may have on the availability of published menu items. The national shortage of workers within the food industry sector, namely heavy goods vehicle drivers, butchers, food producers and warehouse staff, continues to have a profound effect upon the whole supply chain. This situation is likely to be further exacerbated by the reported shortage of CO2 which is expected to impact the humane slaughter of animals, food packaging processes and food shelf life. **If we have to change any of our menus I will inform families by text or email.**



Here's wishing you a great weekend MIKE BEALE 25/09/2021