

A Weekend Update from Holland Moor- Saturday February 12



Welcome and some technical information

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A Message from Our Sponsor



What a successful half-term we have had. Great sporting achievements, some truly fantastic art work around school and I have been so pleased with the way our children have continued to catch up in the more academic areas. We have much to celebrate. If you need to contact school over the next nine days feel free to phone school or email me. You are guaranteed an answer.

COVID 19



Hopefully the half-term holiday will offer our area, where infections have been high, a natural break. With year group and departmental closures in some local schools we probably need it. This week we had just six new COVID positives at Holland Moor.

Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week



Weather conditions made it impossible for Mr Edwards to deliver his tennis lesson to Class 4J on Monday afternoon. Instead the children were reintroduced to our orienteering course that stretches completely around Holland Moor and includes our expansive woodlands and playing fields. It was great to see their enthusiasm for the task. I'm not sure many had worked out any tactics or groupings of the stations as most were following the number sequencing. However a lot of ground was covered and we must have met our fitness targets wonderfully well.

Celebrating Mental Health Week at Holland Moor



This week has been Children's Mental Health Week. The children in Year 5 and 6 have been taking part in a range of different lessons recognising the importance of looking after our mental health; they have looked at wellbeing and resilience, managing emotions, showing empathy, solving problems and explored their personal aspirations both long-term and short-term.

Mini Yoga Days



Children in Key Stage One enjoyed relaxing yoga sessions this week. At first, they focused on their breathing “big breath in, slow breath out”. After that, the children practised a range of yoga moves, the snake pose was a favourite. By the end the children felt relaxed and calm, but don't worry, they didn't fall asleep! We will be using these same techniques in class as a way of relaxing and switching off, but the children also now have ways of calming down if ever they feel frustrated. Ask your child about the hand breathing technique. Yamasday!

Attendance

Our attendance this week was slightly below our target at 94.2%

Year Six Zoom Meeting For Parents and Carers



Soon after the half-term break Year 6 will be introduced to our retrieval and revision programme as we begin to prepare them for the SATs tests in May. We will be offering some booster classes and homework packages too. To make sure all parents and carers have a complete understanding of the whole preparatory process and of the tests themselves we'll be running a remote (Zoom) training session on Tuesday March 1st starting at 6pm. I'll send out full details and a link after the holiday.

Colouring Competition February



The February competition sheets can now be collected from the school office.

Back by Popular Demand – Our Ninja Words of the Week



VOCABULARY NINJA There's a great group of words in our list for the week beginning February 21. They are congruent, elaborate, genuine, accumulate and ferocious.



Monday February 21	School opens
Tuesday February 22	Height and Weight Measuring Y6 and YR
Thursday March 03	World Book Day Celebrations
Friday March 18	Red Nose Day Celebrations
Friday April 01	School closes for Spring Holiday
Wednesday April 20	School opens
Monday May 02	School closed for Bank Holiday
Friday May 27	School closes for half-term
Tuesday June 07	School opens
Wednesday July 20	School closes for the Summer Holiday

Sports Events at Holland Moor



Congratulations to our football team who after winning 8-0 against St Thomas the Martyr are through to the next round of the Liverpool Cup.

Lunch Menu – February 21 to February 25



Monday February 21	Pork Sausage served with Hash Browns and Beans	Veggie Sausage served with Hash Browns and Beans
	Beef Lasagne served with Garlic Bread	Quorn Lasagne served with Garlic Bread
	Vegetables of the Day	
	Peaches and Ice Cream	Syrup Sponge and Custard

Tuesday February 22	Meat Roast of the Day	Vegetarian Roast of the Day
	Cheese and Beans on Toast	Vegetables of the Day
	Decorated Raspberry Jelly	Flaked Macaroons
Wednesday February 23	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges	Chicken Supreme served with Steamed Rice
	Quorn Supreme served with Steamed Rice	Vegetables of the Day
	Madeira Cake and Custard	Chocolate Rice Crispie Cakes
Thursday February 24	Meat Cottage Pie served with Red Cabbage and Gravy	Quorn Cottage Pie served with Red Cabbage and Gravy
	Cheese and Tomato Pasta	Vegetables of the Day
	Melting Moment Biscuits	Apple Crumble and Custard
Friday February 25	Fish Fingers served with Oven Chips	Chicken Burger in a Bun served with Oven Chips
	Veggie Cheese and Vegetable Bake in a Bun served with Oven Chips	Vegetables of the Day
	Strawberry Mousse	Syrup Cookies

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.

Here's wishing you a great weekend and a rewarding half-term break MIKE BEALE
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