

A Weekend Update from Holland Moor-October 15 2022



Welcome and some technical information

Welcome to Newsletter - number 08 of the current school year. All previous newsletters can be found on our school website www.holland.lancsnqfl.ac.uk

A Message from Our Sponsor



There is no better feeling for a headteacher than watching a teaching staff member teach a great, great lesson-to watch clear explanations, superb questioning, precise modelling and great ongoing feedback. I've been completing my October round of lesson observations this week and I've seen so many teachers at the top of their game. I felt like Jurgen Klopp watching his Liverpool side thrash Rangers!

Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week



I'm guilty of not visiting our delightful two-year-old provision often enough so it was rewarding to spend an hour with the youngest members of our school community on Thursday morning. The children were calm, playing purposefully, joining in with singing sessions and certainly enjoying their toast and fruit. Of course, my favourite moments were playing in the house area where the children were dressing and feeding the babies and organising a tea party. I was corrected quickly when I confused George and Peppa Pig.

Pupil Highlights of the Week

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Jack (5E) enjoyed being in role as a travel agent.
Archie and Logan (5-6B) were excited to use the springboard in P.E.
Michael (6S) was pleased to try a new mental method in mathematics.
Josh (6M) quickly mastered telling the time in Spanish.
Sophie (4J) was proud of her poem about the ocean.
Julia and Darcy (3D) really liked the novel – Hope at Sea.
Isla (4C) was thrilled with her poem about the environment.

Archie (3M) showed great knowledge of capital cities.
Max (3-4T) was delighted with his assembly certificate for his art work.

Class of the Week. This week it's Class 4J



Class 4J had a fabulous week showing their ability to use learning powers during every lesson, concentrating beautifully, showing great cooperation and working really hard to improve. They particularly enjoyed creating their own poem with the title 'Imagine You're the Ocean'. The children based their poems on promoting a cleaner and healthier environment. In Computing, the children created their own program following their previous designs. They were thrilled with their achievements and so excited to see the program in action. The children made excellent use of their art journals. They gathered ideas, experimented with designs and practised techniques. This week, the children were delighted to create a watercolour of a scene from the poem, 'The Jabberwocky' by Lewis Carroll. They used their imaginations superbly well and there were lots of fierce looking creatures to be seen!

Our Ninja Words of the Week



Our words this week are peer, billow, trickle, scheme and congeal

The School Choir



The school choir members are looking forward to sharing some of their growing repertoire of songs with family members and friends next Tuesday in a small concert starting at 6.30pm. Some school poets will also be joining the event.

Halloween Events



Reception Disco	Wednesday 19 th October	4.15 to 5.15---£1
Year 1 and Year 2 Disco	Thursday 20 th October	4.30 to 5.45---£2
Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 Disco	Thursday 20 th October	6.00 to 7.30---£2

There will be fun activities, scary dancing and Halloween hot dogs/ice cream I've got my costume and I look forward to seeing how the children dress up.

October Colouring Competition



New competition sheets are now available from the school office.

Breakfast Club and Food



We have started serving some food items at breakfast club including bagels and a range of cereals. There is no charge as we obtain the items under the National Breakfast Club Programme.

School Councillors



The school councillors attended their first council meeting yesterday. After introducing themselves, the delegates discussed how we could allocate some funding to each class. They have now been tasked with finding out how each class would wish to 'sensibly' spend the £30 awarded on a classroom item or items.

Pupil Parliament



Nathan Berkely and Xander Baxter represented Holland Moor at the first Skelmersdale Pupil Parliament meeting on Thursday. They met with Gary Hart, the Senior Education and Engagement Officer at UK Parliament, who gave the children an insight into parliament and answered questions about Parliament, the new monarch and the new prime minister. In turn, they will feed back to the Holland Moor School Council next week.

Music Waiting List



Unfortunately, the waiting list for instrumental tuition is getting longer and the school budget doesn't stretch to booking any more teaching hours from Mr McArdle. As spaces become available we will organise more group teaching sessions to create better coverage.

Attendance.



Our attendance this week was 93.1%

Sports Events at Holland Moor



Results and Reports

On Tuesday, six Year 3/Year 4 children represented Holland Moor at the SHARES handball tournament held at the JMO sports complex. Despite some never having played handball before, the group picked up the rules at an impressive rate and demonstrated some great teamwork skills in their passes and team strategy. All six children were great ambassadors for our school and should be proud of their attitude both on and off the pitch.



On Thursday, the netball team took part in the WLSP bee stinger tournament at a local high school. The team played extremely well in all four games showing excellent defending and brilliant attacking. We hope to continue this form on Monday in the semi- finals.



Forthcoming Sports Events

October 20 – Netball League

November 17 – KS1 Indoor Athletics

Lunch Menu – October 17 to October 21

Monday October 17	Pork Sausage with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Quorn Sausage with Mashed Potato and Gravy
	Fusilli Pasta served in an Arabiatta Sauce	Vegetables of the Day
	Eve's Pudding and Custard	Chocolate and Vanilla Cookies
Tuesday October 18	Chicken in a Bun served with Oven Chips	Cheese and Vegetable Bake in a Bun served with Oven Chips

	Salmon Fishcakes served with Oven Chips	Vegetables of the Day
	Iced Sponge Cake	Melting Moment Biscuits
Wednesday October 19	Midweek Roast of the Day	Quorn Roast of the Day
	Mediterranean Puff Pastry Tart served with Jacket Potato	Vegetables of the Day
	Madeira Cake and Custard	Swiss Tarts
Thursday October 20	Beef Lasagne	Vegetarian Pasta of the Day
	Hot Chicken BBQ	Sweet Chicken Wraps
	Plain Chicken Wraps	Hot Veggie Wraps
	Salad and Coleslaw	Vegetables of the Day
	Chocolate Rice Crispie Cakes	Butterfly Cakes
Friday October 21	Mince Beef Pie and Gravy	Butter Pie and Cheese
	Gammon	Vegetables of the Day
	Mashed Potato	
	Assorted Half-Term Cookies	

Here's wishing you a great weekend MIKE BEALE