

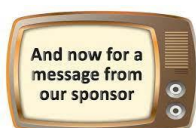
A Weekend Update from Holland Moor-January 14 2023



Welcome and some technical information

Welcome to Newsletter - number 20 of the current school year. All previous newsletters can be found on our school website www.holland.lancsnafl.ac.uk

A Message from Our Sponsor



As you know, I have been concerned since post COVID times about our overall attendance figures. They have remained below the national average figure for five consecutive terms. I am proud of the educational opportunities we offer at Holland Moor and I want our children to gain everything they can from them. This week I sent home attendance information for the Autumn term and I have started a series of meetings to try to improve our score. Very interestingly, the attendance for many children is excellent – with close to a hundred children having 100% attendance from September 2022 to December 2022. Your continuing support in this area is very much appreciated.

Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week



This half term, for our corridors display, we have taken a whole school art theme rather than look at the works of one specific artist. Our chosen theme is geometric art and classes have explored how different artists have used various geometric forms to stimulate their pieces. As always, the corridors are attractive, inspiring and energising. We have many, many talented artists.

Pupil Highlights of the Week

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Hazel (3M) enjoyed using the polydron kits to make 3D shapes.
Tom (3D) loved trying out lots of contrasting pathways in P.E.
Aaron (3-4T) was very proud as he completed his circuit and the bulb lit up.
Molly (4C) worked precisely and accurately as she used an atlas to find different time zones around the world.
Sophie (4J) carefully calculated the number of faces and vertices in 3D shapes –excellent work.
Jamie's (5E) stand out moment was using the computer to monitor a party budget.

Ernest (5R) enjoyed the lesson, delivered by a guest teacher, about gender stereotypes.
Elizabeth (5-6B) impressed herself by writing a whole page in her English book.
Leila (6M) was clearly overjoyed as she achieved her highest-ever arithmetic score.
Jack (6S) was very proud of his annotated work in art.

Class of the Week This Week it is Class 2M



What a great week for Class 2M! They have really deepened their knowledge of place value in Maths and can put numbers with two digits in order easily. They also enjoyed using bead strings to help put numbers on a number line in the correct place. In English, Class 2M started a new poetry unit. They showed super concentration when listening to the poem *The Owl and the Pussy Cat* by Edward Lear. They especially enjoyed learning new vocabulary including, quince, tarried and runcible spoon. The children were excited by the start to their new Geography topic where they will be investigating Kenya and making comparisons to the UK. They were remarkably good at locating Kenya on a variety of different maps. Such a good start to the new year from 2M!

Our Ninja Words of the Week



This week our words are sob, collaborate, wary, frugal and parched

School Values



We are currently undertaking a re-examination of our school values in assemblies and seeking to recognise these values in action during the school week. These values are-**RESPECT** we listen to others • **FAIRNESS** we treat others fairly • **HONESTY** we never hide the truth • **PERSEVERANCE** we always work hard and try our best • **KINDNESS** we always help others and value their feelings

Attendance.



This week our attendance was 94.7% - that's better!

Dates - I will update these each week with new items in italics.



Monday January 23

Individual photographs

Monday January 30	Family photographs
Tuesday February 07	Reception Year Party
Wednesday February 08	Year 1 and Year 2 Valentine's Disco
Thursday February 09	Year 3 and Year Valentine's Disco
Thursday February 09	Year 5 and Year 6 Valentine's Disco
Friday February 10	Last day before half term holiday
Saturday February 11 to Sunday February 19	– half term holiday
Monday February 20	First day after half-term holiday
Thursday March 02	Holland Moor celebrates World Book Day
<i>Friday March 17</i>	<i>Holland Moor celebrates Red Nose Day</i>
Friday March 31	Last day of Spring Term
Tuesday April 18	First day of Summer Term
Monday May 01	School closed for bank holiday
Monday May 08	School closed for the special bank holiday
Friday May 26	Last day before half-term holiday
Saturday May 27 to Sunday June 04	– half-term holiday
Monday June 05	First day after half-term holiday
Thursday July 20	Last Day of Summer Term

Sports Events at Holland Moor



January 17th Multi-skills tournament for our Year 1 team and Year 2 team
 January 20th Year 5 and Year 6 Sports Hall Athletics
 January 24th Swimming Gala

Lancashire Football Finals-Friday January 13

Holland Moor girls' and boys' teams qualified earlier in the year to represent Skelmersdale in the Lancashire Finals. Whilst we did not pick up a medal at the event, all the children had a valuable day out learning football skills, football tactics and developing friendships across classes and year groups. We are so proud of how the children conducted themselves and they were all great representatives for Holland Moor.

Lunch Menu – January 16 to January 20

Monday January 16	Chicken Korma served with Steamed Rice and Naan Bread	Quorn Korma served with Steamed Rice and Naan Bread
	Penne Pasta in a Tomato and Mascarpone Sauce served with crusty bread	
	Chocolate Rice Crispie Cakes	Honey and Banana Cake and Custard
Tuesday January 17	Meat and Potato Pie with Red Cabbage and Gravy	Roast Chicken with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy

	Vegetable Roast with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	
	Iced Doughnuts	Oatie Cookies
Wednesday January 18	Harry Ramsdens Baked Fish with Oven Chips	Cheese and Onion Pie with Oven Chips
	Jam and Cream Scones	Cherry Scones
	Fairy Cakes	
Thursday January 19	Beef Bolognese and Spaghetti with Garlic Bread	Quorn Bolognese and Spaghetti with Garlic Bread
	Bacon Brunch	Vegetable Brunch
	Oatie Apple Crumble and Custard	Victoria Sandwich
Friday January 20	Selection of Pizzas served with Oven Chips	Tempura Fish Goujons served with Oven Chips
	Chocolate and Vanilla Cake with Mint Sauce	Ginger 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.

MIKE BEALE