

A Weekend Update from Holland Moor-January 21 2023



Welcome and some technical information

Welcome to Newsletter - number 21 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



I am always particularly proud of the wide range of school clubs we offer and the high level of take-up for each activity. This week over forty children attended choir club, the same number attended dodgeball club and so many children now attend art club we have had to split the group into two classes in separate rooms. I am delighted that with some parental support, we are going to increase our football opportunities for the girls and we are soon starting a Year 3 Dance club. Added to this the school council are investigating a basketball club, a gymnastics club and a boards game club. All great news.

Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week



Some Scandinavian countries insist that all television programmes aimed at young children always show subtitles. This is because children see the words and often read the words too. The practice significantly enhances fluency in reading. Accordingly, it was great to be in Class 3M during Wednesday lunchtime as we read along to Ben and Holly. The children read accurately with great expression and even added the text descriptions as well.

It was equally pleasant to spend Friday lunchtime with this very sophisticated group of Year 5 and Year 6 children who spent their playtime building a snow/slush mountain so they could devastate it at whistle time. Who needs expensive equipment?



Pupil Highlights of the Week

Highlights of the week

Jack (3M) learnt how to say where people live in Spanish.

Thea (3D) was very proud about the massive improvement in her writing presentation.

Blake (3-4T) thought it was great to sing with all the other classes in the hall, practising Young Voices.

Sienna (4J) excelled writing a diary in response to an advertisement to join Shackleton's crew.

Grace (4C) could accurately convert 24 hour time into 12 hour time.

Jess (5E) was very creative with her random colours in art.

Mia (5R) produced an exquisitely delicate water-colour piece.

James (5-6B) was proud of his quick, mental maths skills.

Charlie (6M) thoroughly enjoyed working with his partner to create a paired write interview script.

Archie (6S0) was inspired by Mr McArdle's Time to Go song.

Class of the Week This Week it is Class 1R



Class 1R had a fantastic week starting many new topics! They found some unknown objects left in the class that turned out to be five odd eggs. This helped them write some fantastic descriptions and get their imaginations racing, as they thought about who the eggs could belong to! In maths, studying the new topic of shape, has enabled the class to use mastery vocabulary, describing the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. The class created some beautiful music when looking at changing pitch and tempo using the glockenspiels. The children were excited by the start of their new DT topic, as they began to research and design their own vehicles that could be used on a safari in Kenya. They are particularly looking forward to constructing their vehicles next week!

Our Ninja Words of the Week



Our words this week are tense, vain, stable, suppress and radiate

Attendance.



Thanks to those parents and carers who have met with me to try to improve school attendance for their child/children. I have been analysing absences for the Autumn term and when I've looked at the absences of children with a less than 90% overall attendance figure, 48% were for illness, 46% were for holidays during term time and 6% were caused by other unauthorised reasons. Of the 54 children who were on holiday during term-time nearly 40 had no other absences. Interesting data.

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
Tuesday February 28	<i>Consultation Evening</i>
Wednesday March 01	<i>Consultation Evening</i>
Thursday March 02	Holland Moor celebrates World Book Day
Monday March 13	<i>Holland Moor celebrates British Science Week</i>
Friday March 17	Holland Moor celebrates Red Nose Day
Wednesday March 29	<i>Dance Club performance – Year 3 group</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 24th Swimming Gala

Sports Hall Athletics – A Silver Medal.



Great news! Our superb team battled to a glorious second place at this demanding athletics event. The events are not for the faint hearted but our team showed grit and sheer determination to achieve this remarkable result.

Multi Skills



Eight Year 1 and Year 2 children represented Holland Moor at the Shares Multi-skills tournament. All of the children showed their Holland Moor learning powers of determination,

concentration and resilience as they competed in a series of challenges such as bowls, speed jumping, hockey slalom and the tennis balance.

Lunch Menu – January 23 to January 27

Monday January 23	Chicken Burger served with Baked Wedges	Vegetable Burger served with Baked Wedges
	Cheese Whirls served with Baked Wedges	
	Iced Vanilla Sponge Cake	Peaches and Ice Cream
Tuesday January 24	Chicken Fried Rice	Vegetable Fried Rice
	Meatballs and Pasta served with Tomato Sauce	Vegetarian Meatballs and Pasta served with Tomato Sauce
	Shortbread Biscuits	Cornflake Tart and Custard
Wednesday January 25	Roast Pork	Roast Quorn
	Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken Supreme with Steamed Rice
	Quorn Supreme with Steamed Rice	
	Decorated Orange and Carrot Cake	Jam Puffs
Thursday January 26	Beef Scouse with Crusty Bread	Macaroni Cheese with Crusty Bread
	Melting Moment Cookies	Lemon Butter Biscuits
Friday January 27	Omega Three Fish Fingers served with Mashed Potato	Cottage Pie with Gravy
	Quorn Cottage Pie with Gravy	Cheesy Potato Bake
	Buddies Flapjack	Chocolate 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