

A Weekend Update from Holland Moor-January 28 2023



Welcome and some technical information

Welcome to Newsletter - number 22 of the current school year. All previous newsletters can be found on our school website www.holland.lancsnfl.ac.uk

A Message from Our Sponsor



I hope I am not tempting fate but our attendance figures have been much improved during the last three weeks – long may this continue. Hopefully, there will be far fewer holidays taken during this term and our overall figures will rise too. It looks extremely unlikely that we will need to close any classes on Wednesday but as always I will keep everyone updated if the situation changes drastically.

Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week



It has been my week for collecting in workbooks and checking on pupil progress. I was so impressed with what I saw, particularly by some of the truly magnificent pieces of writing from different year groups. We give the children the opportunity to write in so many different genres including balanced arguments, recounts and playscripts so reading the books makes for a very entertaining time. It is so apparent how our children craft their writing and have learned so many different writing techniques due to teachers using methods such as slow writing and our Big Writes. I have had some great reading evenings. Thank you Holland Moor.

PE Kits for PE lessons



I have been tracking this during the last few weeks and we are doing very well. There are just a handful of children who never seem to have their kit. I will text parents/carers next week to update families in case the kit has gone missing in school.

School Photographs



I hope everyone enjoyed the individual photograph documents we distributed earlier in the week. Tempest return on Monday to primarily take family group photographs. However if your child was

absent from school last Monday and missed the individual photograph let us know, if you wish, and it can be taken during this second Tempest visit. We will also take a Class 1C class photograph as Miss Carradice will not be with us in the Summer Term.

Pupil Highlights of the Week

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Ollie (3D) enjoyed looking at different rolling rivers in Switzerland.
Penny (3M) concentrated carefully as she took on many computer challenges
Bella (3-4T) exercised her artistic skills using wax and water to create her perfect picture
Poppy (4J) loved working with a partner to create a sophisticated sequence in P.E.
Aaliyah (4C) wrote a lovely letter pretending to be in Shackleton's crew.
Cole (5E) had a standout moment as he completed all his marvellous maths.
Sam (5R) joined in very well with the chiming choral read.
Alfie C (5-6B) impressed himself by learning two new swimming strokes.
Dominic (6M) liked using a mixture of pastels and watercolours to produce a lively landscape.
Toby (6S) created a successful spreadsheet showing pocket money sums.

Class of the Week This Week it is Class 1C



It is fantastic to see the children really trying hard with their reading! So many children are moving up stages and have been engrossed in using the skills they have been learning in phonics and guided reading to help them decipher unknown words! Miss Carradice was particularly impressed with the guided reading lessons and how familiar the children are with our reading techniques such as paired reading, choral reading, and echo reading – absolutely fabulous! Children are really enjoying our Geography lessons and learning about Kenya. This week the class created their own national parks ensuring they had rivers, tracks, places to stay and of course animals to see! It is a wonderful link to our DT topic – in which the children will be making their own safari vehicle.

Our Ninja Words of the Week



VOCABULARY NINJA

Our words this week are quaint, drab, deceitful, botch and circulate

Our Special Science Assembly.



Year 5 and 6 accessed a live assembly, over Microsoft Teams, where they joined STEM Ambassador Andrew from the National Physics Laboratory to learn the latest vocabulary to describe the smallest and biggest things in science and engineering. The internationally agreed prefixes to the world's

measurement system (SI units) were explained, ranging from the miniscule picometre to the gigantic megametre, along with applications in real life for these different measurement scales. Afterwards, the children heard from research scientists about how new words were invented to deal with the very big and very small - with the new four being: ronna, quetta, ronto and quecto. Did you know these scales are so extreme that the entire weight of Planet Earth is estimated at 1 ronnagram? It was great fun hearing about these important new advancements in STEM.

Attendance.



Last week our attendance was 95.4% - much better. This week was 95.45 – improving!

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



Monday January 30	Family/Group 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	Consultation Evening
Wednesday March 01	Consultation Evening
Thursday March 02	Holland Moor celebrates World Book Day
Monday March 13	Holland Moor celebrates British Science Week
<i>Wednesday March 15</i>	<i>School Choir and Poetry - Concert</i>
Friday March 17	Holland Moor celebrates Red Nose Day
Wednesday March 29	Dance Club performance – Year 3 group
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



Swimming Gala

We are very proud of the Holland Moor swimming team who competed in the SHARES Gala on Tuesday. The team performed to an exceptional standard in every race. They finished second overall picking up a total of eight medals, Congratulations to the entire team.

Lunch Menu – January 30 to February 03

Monday January 30	Beef Lasagne with Crusty Bread	Quorn Lasagne with Crusty Bread
	Chicken Casserole	
	Bananas and Custard	Syrup Cookies
Tuesday January 31	Chicken Tikka Masala with Steamed Rice and Naan Bread	Quorn Tikka Masala with Steamed Rice and Naan Bread
	Pasta in a Tomato and Basil Sauce	Cauliflower and Broccoli Cheese Bake
	Flaked Macaroons	Jelly and Ice Cream
Wednesday February 01	Chicken Pie served with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Baked Pork Sausages served with Mashed Potato and Gravy
	Baked Vegetarian Sausages served with Mashed Potato and Vegetarian Gravy	
	Harvest Fruit Cake and Custard	Piped Shortbread
Thursday February 02	Chicken Nuggets served with Oven Chips	Quorn Nuggets served with Oven Chips
	Sausage Rolls served with Oven Chips	Vegan Sausage Rolls served with Oven Chips
	Chocolate and Vanilla Cookies	Apple Crumble and Custard
	Rice Pudding and Jam	Iced Paris Sandwich
Friday February 03	Pizza Selection served with Oven Chips	Beef Chilli, Rice and Nachos
	Manchester Tart	Orange Cake and Chocolate Sauce

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