

A Weekend Update from Holland Moor-January 07 2023



Welcome and some technical information

Welcome to Newsletter - number 19 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



Everyone has made a great start to the new term. The children settled back into their classes very well and I have been delighted by the standard of work produced. Very little work revision was needed, and I could tell by the retrieval activities I watched that there had been impressive and successful learning last term, that the learning had been retained and that it was ready for immediate use. I look forward to a very successful Spring Term.

Start of the Day



Please remember our classrooms will be open from 08.30 with learning opportunities immediately available. All children should be in their classrooms, at their desks by 08.50 so that lesson one can begin promptly. We still had far too many children late to school last term. Your help in addressing this ongoing problem will be very much appreciated.

End of the Day

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We will continue to operate a safe, staggered end to the day starting at 2.50pm. We should not be releasing children before this time.

Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week

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The school choir has been back in action this week learning new songs with a strong maritime theme. I want to make music and singing a stronger feature of life at Holland Moor. It's great that so many of our children will be attending the Young Voices experience in Manchester this term.

P.E. Timetable



Class	P.E.	Games
1R	Wednesday	Friday
1C	Wednesday	Thursday
2M	Thursday	Tuesday
2O	Thursday	Wednesday
3D	Thursday	Monday
3M	Tuesday	Thursday
3-4T	Monday	Friday
4C	Friday	Wednesday
4J	Tuesday	Friday
5E	Friday	Tuesday
5R	Friday	Monday
5-6B	Monday Year 6 swim on Thursday	Tuesday
6M	Tuesday	Swimming on Thursday
6S	Tuesday	Swimming on Thursday

School Clubs



Day	Club	Adult	Time	Open to	Pick up from	Meet	Adult Meet
Monday	Football	Mr Gibbings Mr Eaton	3.00-4.00	KS2B	GM	5E Classroom	Mr Gibbings
Monday	Keep Moving	Mr Maddocks Mrs Dougherty	3.00-3.45	KS2A	GM	3/4T Classroom	Mr Maddocks
Monday	Art Club	Mrs Knowles Mrs Burnett	3.00-3.45	Y3, Y4, Y5	GM	1/2 Classroom	Mrs Knowles
Tuesday	Netball	Miss Ryan Miss Oldfield	3.00-3.45	KS2	GM	5R Classroom 5E Classroom	Miss Ryan
Wednesday	Running Club	Mrs Ball Mrs Faithfull Miss Johnson	3.00-3.45	KS2B	GM	3/4T Classroom	Mrs Ball
Wednesday	Stem Club Google Classroom	Miss McFord	3.30-4.30	KS2	N/A	Google Classroom	n/a

Wednesday	Football	Mr Gibbings	3.00-4.00	KS2A	GM	3/4T Classroom	Mr Gibbings
Thursday	Football	Mr Gibbings Mr Beale	3.00-3.45	KS1	GM	1C Classroom	Mr Gibbings
Thursday	Choir	Mr McArdle	3.00-3.45	KS2+Y2	GM	HALL	Mr McArdle
Friday	Construction Club	Mr Cooke	3.00-3.45	KS2A	GM	4C Classroom	Mr Cooke
Friday	Dodgeball	Mr Gibbings Mr Sanders	3.00-3.45	KS2	GM	6S Classroom 5R Classroom	Mr Gibbings
Friday	Girls Football	Miss Ramsey Miss Cruise	3.00-3.45	KS2	GM	5R Classroom	Miss Ramsey
Friday	Chess Club	Mr Beale	3.00-3.45	KS2	GM	1/2 Classroom	Mr Beale

A Curriculum Update



Nursery 1

This term we will be focusing on 'being healthy'. We will learn about eating healthy foods, exercising in different ways and caring for ourselves. We have exciting activities planned such as vegetable printing, making fruit cocktails, exploring food during messy play activities, growing cress, and counting spouts, potatoes, and carrots. Our children will be learning how important it is to keep their teeth clean and taking part in different fun exercises such as yoga. The children will develop their language skills by learning the names of fruit and vegetables and exploring the different colours, textures, and tastes of each. We will be having themed tasting days over the next four to five weeks including an 'apple day' when the children will be able to try varieties of this delicious fruit. We will also be making a fruit and vegetable shop in nursery so the children can enjoy learning about different foods and develop their communication and social skills whilst playing in this wonderfully stimulating area.

Nursery 2

This half term the nursery children will be focusing on 'Where does the snow go?' this theme will incorporate Winter, Water, Weather and Seasons. There will be many opportunities to engage in first hand exploration of water in its different forms. There will be winter walks and natural ice exploration if the weather provides this for us. Success for All phonics sessions will support our rising reception children prepare for the transition to school in September 2023. Both children and parents will be introduced to our updated letter formation mantras. Fast recognition of numbers will be practised regularly, as will talking about and identifying the patterns around them. e.g. pointy, spotty, blobs, stripes on clothes, designs on rugs and wallpaper. The children will be talking about the differences between materials and changes they notice when experimenting with the different forms of water. They will also find out about different countries in the world that experience the 'Winter' climate all year round and talk about the differences they have seen in photos.

Reception

In Reception we will be wrapping up warm and preparing ourselves for an adventure from the Arctic to Antarctica. Through our Polar Topic we will be exploring different cold places and learning about animals which live in cold conditions and can adapt to their habitat. We will learn new words each week, starting with 'winter' and 'adventure'. In class, we will warm ourselves up in our Hot Chocolate Café, learning how to role-play and communicate with each other as customers and café workers. Along with this, we will read a range of topic-based books, like Poles Apart by Jeanne

Willis. From this we will delve deeper, looking at vocabulary, the characters, the plot and the outcome. We can't wait to develop our learning and explore our topic across many areas.

KS1-Year 1 and Year 2

Children in Year 1 will be starting our new Phonics Scheme – Success for All Phonics. Each week follows a different step and has a guided reading book that each child reads in class alongside their peers. Children will learn a variety of reading techniques to help them become fluent readers. Our Mastery Maths lessons will continue with the children using specialist equipment to deepen their understanding of new mathematical concepts. In Geography, we will be travelling to Kenya to explore and compare geographical features. Science lessons will be focused on materials and exploring what objects are made from and why. Children will be learning how to make a moving vehicle in Design Technology and will explore mechanisms to make them move. They will design and make a vehicle using the correct parts. Our other lessons will include PSHE, Music, Computing and PE.

KS2a –Year 3 and Year 4

In English we will continue to use a range of carefully selected novels and short film clips as the inspiration for writing. Our first book will be Shackleton's Journey by William Grill. The children will learn about Ernest Shackleton and his unfortunate expedition to the Antarctic in 1914. This will be even more exciting as the Endurance was found and explored in March last year. In Maths, there will be a strong focus on the properties of numbers and multiplication tables. Please encourage your children to access T.T. Rockstars to help them learn the multiplication tables up to 12. (Misplaced or forgotten usernames and passwords can be redistributed by class teachers). The children will learn how to construct simple circuits during our science lessons with a focus on developing their planning and testing skills. In Art we will continue to develop artistic skills in our art journals. The journals have proven to be very popular and contain some wonderful artwork which the children are extremely proud of. Dragons, birds and eggs will be the initial focus, followed by abstract faces. So far, in Geography, the children have developed their understanding of the United Kingdom. They will now get the chance to compare and contrast features of the U.K. with other countries in Europe using maps, atlases and computer applications such as Google Earth.

KS2b- Year 5 and Year 6

In Geography, the children will be studying the key features of natural disasters such as earthquakes, hurricanes, volcanic eruptions and floods. The pupils will learn why these events take place and in which part of the world they most commonly occur. Science lessons, will focus on evolution and will help children understand why certain species – due to their adaptations – evolved in, and are suited to, certain parts of the world. Our writing stimuli this term will begin with an animated short film called "Ruin" which is set in a post-apocalyptic world controlled by an evil artificial intelligence created by a nanotech company. Following on, the children will study the novel "Robot Girl" by Malorie Blackman. This book is set in the future and is about a young girl, who feels isolated, making a new friend via email. The book is unique and has a very interesting twist that will come as a total surprise to all the readers! Religious Education lessons will be underpinned by the focus question, - Is life like a journey? and this term the religion studied will be Christianity. The Year 5 classes will be learning how to use databases in computing whereas the Year 6 pupils will be working on spreadsheets.

Our Ninja Words of the Week



Our words this week are feud, insult, commence, static and tranquil

School Councillors



The school councillors have started planning for their stall at the Holland Moor Spring Fair.

School Milk



School milk is available for nursery, reception, year one and year two children.

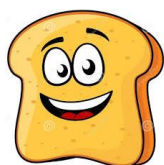
Milk is free for every child until the start of the term after they reach the age of five.

Some children remain entitled to free school milk but others must then pay

For those that pay the cost is £7 per half term

Payment may be made to the school office or via Parentpay

School Toast



Full Spring Term in advance £14

Half Spring Term in Advance £7

Rest of year in advance £26

Payment may be made to the school office or via Parentpay

Many families have already paid for the full year in advance and no further payment is needed.

Attendance.



Our overall attendance for this week was 92.9-rather low for the first week of a new term.

Our overall attendance for the Autumn Term was 92.6% (National Figure 94%)

By next Friday (January 13th) I will have distributed, by pupil post, attendance information for the Autumn term for each Holland Moor pupil. There will be an accompanying guidance letter and an offer of catch-up opportunities for those children who missed so much school last term.

Dates



Monday January 23

Monday January 30

Tuesday February 07

Individual photographs

Family photographs

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
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 13th Football finals (boys and girls) in Fleetwood. Full coach party attending.
January 17th Multi-skills tournament for Year 1 and Year 2
January 20th Year 5 and Year 6 Sports Hall Athletics
January 24th Swimming Gala

Lunch Menu – January 09 to January 13

Monday January 09	Beef Lasagne with Crusty Bread	Quorn Lasagne with Crusty Bread
	Chicken Casserole	
	Syrup Sponge and Custard	Rice Pudding and Jam
Tuesday January 10	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
	Iced Paris Sandwich	Banana Muffins
Wednesday January 11	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	
	Decorated Jelly	Flapjack

Thursday January 12	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
	Peaches and Ice Cream	Lemon Drizzle Cake and Custard
Friday January 13	Pizza Selection served with Oven Chips	Beef Chilli, Rice and Nachos
	Raspberry Buns	Harvest Fruit Cake and Custard

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