

## A Weekend Update from Holland Moor-March 04 2023



### Welcome and some technical information

Welcome to Newsletter - number 27 of the current school year. All previous newsletters can be found on our school website [www.holland.lancsnafl.ac.uk](http://www.holland.lancsnafl.ac.uk)

### A Message from Our Sponsor



It was great to see so many parents/carers in school this week attending our consultation evenings. Thanks as well, to those who attended the meetings remotely. Many visitors complimented staff on the art work displayed in the many circulation areas around school. This half-term we have studied how different artists have depicted trees in their pieces, with a focus on the use of colour. I agree with our visitors – the results are stunning.



### Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week



I have spent many hours in classrooms this week witnessing some marvellous mathematics in 3D and 1R, some exciting English in 4C and some scintillating subtraction in 2O. I am always so impressed with the focus and determination to succeed that our children show, and the progress made in each lesson. Presentation in books is particularly good this year and the old-fashioned skill of precise handwriting is a joy to observe.

### Pupil Parliamentarians Visit the Mayor's Chamber



Many thanks to Nathan Berkely and Xander Baxter who represented Holland Moor so well In Ormskirk on Monday. Our representatives met the mayor in her chamber and got to ask her questions about her role and responsibilities. They also toured the wider council facilities.

## **World Book Day 2023-A brilliant Holland Moor event.**



Nursery 2 celebrated World Book Day with the wonderful picture book *Little Red* by Bethan Woollvin, a fabulous take on the story of Little Red Riding Hood. The children drew pictures of Little Red and the wolf. They role-played the story using fabric sheets as improvised costumes, using their turn taking skills and made models of the wolf. Outside the children played the game – What’s the time Mr Wolf! For snack, they, of course, ate the delicious cakes Little Red was delivering to Grandma’s house.

Our Reception children also enjoyed reading 'Little Red' by Bethan Woollvin and were surprised to read that Little Red Riding Hood tricked the wolf. They spoke about alternative endings and discussed different versions of the story. Along with Little Red themed songs and yoga, the children created a wolf mask and in maths, measured the different objects that Red carried in her basket.

Year 1 and Year 2 activities were based on the story "Ten Delicious Teachers" by Ross Montgomery. The novel is about ten very foolish teachers that have missed the last bus home and decide to take a shortcut through the forest, unaware that there is a hungry horde of mischievous monsters waiting! The children created new front covers, maps for the teachers to follow and some children even wrote new versions of the story. On Friday the children enjoyed listening to one of our favourite stories "Would You Like a Banana" read live by the author and illustrator Yasmeen Ismail.

The stunning story, 'Paradise Sands' by Levi Pinfold was the focus of activities completed in Year three and Year four. The children competed several of their favourite TWR activities to gain a deeper understanding of the book. They demonstrated superb observation skills as they created their own landscapes in a similar style to the one from the book. The work produced was exquisite! Year 3 children joined an online workshop with Swapna Haddow and Sheena Dempsey and were given lots of tips for creating their own stories. Year 4 children participated in an online quiz, 'The Great Big Footy and Booky World Book Day Quiz,' hosted by footballing heroes.

Year five and Year six took part in a variety of activities for World Book Day. The Year 5 children welcomed Year one and Year two children to their classrooms for a book morning where the Year 5 children read a collection of their favourite books to them. During the read, the Year fives served them juice and biscuits. Afterwards, the Year five pupils enjoyed a well-earned hot chocolate and biscuit while they read their own books. Big smiles and a love for reading was shown throughout!

Also, the Year fives and Year sixes took part in the World Book Day Footy-Booky quiz online hosted by the Literacy Trust and the Premier League Primary Stars. Year five and six enjoyed being introduced to the book called *The Viewer* by Shaun Tan and, using the book as inspiration, produced some great writing and beautiful art work. Finally, the Year sixes took part in an online workshop hosted by Frank Cottrell Boyce who wrote the *Unforgotten Coat* -a book the children based a lot of writing on when they were in Year 5.

## **The Holland Moor World Book – Paper Plate Extravaganza**



Thanks to the families who sent in their paper-plate book characters. It was great to see a Matilda, a couple of the Grinch and many, many monsters.

### **Red Nose Day / Comic Relief –Friday March 17<sup>th</sup>**



We will be celebrating this fun day on March 17<sup>th</sup>. Children can dress in red, dress in spotty clothing or just come in non-uniform. We will ask for a 20p donation. I will mention more about the special events we are organising in the newsletter next week.

### **Easter Raffle**



I will send home a note early next week, so parents/carers and friends can order their Easter raffle tickets. Prizes include an Easter hamper full of Easter goodies, a large Easter basket full of Easter goodies and fifteen 'not to be missed' toy prizes.

### **Class of the Week. This Week it is Class N1**



N1 thoroughly enjoyed dressing up as 'Tigers' for World Book Day. The children were very creative making their own tiger masks and even making tiger faces with the coloured play dough. The children enjoyed having a tea party with the Tiger! What a fun day had by all!

### **Our Ninja Words of the Week**



Our words this week are wade, surge, retain, limitless and irate.

### **Reception Year Words of the Week**

Linked to our theme	horizon
Linked to our phonics sound	starving
An object	barnacle
An action	bathe
A feeling	exhausted

## Attendance.



Our overall attendance this week was 94.3% with Class 1R and N” at 99%.

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



Monday March 13	Holland Moor celebrates British Science Week
Wednesday March 15	School Choir and Poetry - Concert
Friday March 17	Holland Moor celebrates Red Nose Day
Tuesday March 21	Consultation Evening for our two-year-old class.
Friday March 24	Pirate Day for the Reception Classes
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
Tuesday May 09	Start of SATs tests for Year 6
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



Date	Activity	Venue
TBC	Football Team in the Merseyside Cup v Northwood Primary	Home Match
March 07	League Match Football-Girls v St Johns	Home Match
March 08	WLSP Girls Football	JMO
March 14	SHARES Year 3 and Year 4 Park Run	
March 15	WLSP Girls Football	JMO
March 16	League Match Girls v Cobbs Brow	Home Match
March 21	SHARES Year 5 and Year 6 Park Run	TBC
March 22	Friendly Match Football Boys v Cobbs Brow	Home Match

## Lunch Menu – March 06 to March 10

Monday March 06	Chicken Korma served with Steamed Rice and Naan Bread	Quorn Korma served with Steamed Rice and Naan Bread
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	Penne Pasta in a Tomato and Mascarpone Sauce served with crusty bread	
	Fairy Cakes	Bananas and Custard
Tuesday March 07	Meat and Potato Pie with Red Cabbage and Gravy	Roast Chicken with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy
	Vegetable Roast with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	
	Jelly and Peaches	Chocolate Shortbread
Wednesday March 08	Harry Ramsdens Baked Fish with Oven Chips	Cheese and Onion Pie with Oven Chips
	Syrup Cookies	Jam Tarts
Thursday March 09	Beef Bolognese and Spaghetti with Garlic Bread	Quorn Bolognese and Spaghetti with Garlic Bread
	Bacon Brunch	Vegetable Brunch
	Decorated Orange and Carrot Cake	Jam Roly Poly and Custard
Friday March 10	Selection of Pizzas served with Oven Chips	Tempura Fish Goujons served with Oven Chips
	Piped Shortbread Biscuits	Chocolate Crispie Slice

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