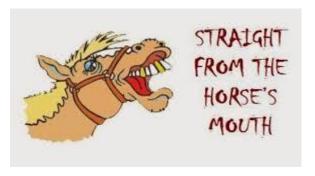
A Weekend Update from Holland Moor-September 09 2023



Welcome and some technical information

Welcome to Newsletter - number 02 of the current school year. All previous newsletters can be found on our school website www.holland.lancsngfl.ac.uk

A Message from Our Sponsor



I could not have asked for a better first week of term. The children settled into their new classes remarkably well and I have seen great teaching and incredibly focused learning taking place throughout the school.

Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week



A special mention to Year 3. The children have transferred wonderfully well into KS2 (Juniors). They have worked hard, written beautifully in their new books, played magnificently on the larger playground and sat perfectly through a Mr Beale assembly. Great credit to them all.

The School Phone System



We still have just the one line coming into school and no system to transfer calls internally. We may have to take a message and offer you a call back later, if a member of staff is not immediately available.

Mobile Phones



Pupil phones are proving a distraction and something of an ongoing nuisance. If any pupil needs a phone for the journey to or from school, we need to know and register this. We no longer allow any usage during the day.

Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC)



Our beautiful building is entirely free of this material.

School Clubs



This is a list of clubs that start next week. Other clubs may be added over the next few weeks.

Day	Club	Adult	Time	Open To	Pick Up	Meeting point
MONDAY	Football	Mr Gibbings Mr Eaton	3.00-4.00	Y5 Y6	Green Mile	Class 5E
MONDAY	Art	Mrs Burnett Mrs Knowles	3.00-3.45	Y3 Y4 Y5	Green Mile	Music Room
MONDAY	Netball	Miss Ryan Miss Cruse	3.00-3.45	Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6	Green Mile	Class 56C
TUESDAY	Football	Mrs Dougherty Mr Pacheco	3.00-3.45	Y3 Y4	Green Mile	Class 4P
WEDNESDAY	Football	Mr Gibbings	3.00-3.45	Y1 Y2	Green Mile	Class 1R
THURSDAY	DT	Miss McFord	3.00-3.45	Y6	Green Mile	Class 5M
THURSDAY	Choir	Mr McArdle Mr Beale	3.00-3.45	Y2 Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6	Green Mile	Hall
THURSDAY	Girls Football	Mr Gibbings Mr Maddocks	3.00-3.45	Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6	Green Mile	Class 56C
THURSDAY	Chess	Mr Beale	3.00-3.45	Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6	Green Mile	Music Room
FRIDAY	Dodgeball	Mr Gibbings Mr Sanders	3.00-3.45	Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6	Green Mile	Class 6S
FRIDAY	Construction	Mr Cooke	3.00-3.45	Y3 Y4	Green Mile	Class 4C

Start of the School Day

Breakfast Club from 07.30 Lessons start in classes at 08.30 Registers called at 08.45-all children should be in their classes by 08.45

End of the School Day

We still have a few parents calling for their child/children far too early or too early. Please remember children must complete their statutory hours —their entitlement and this includes teaching time right up to 3.00pm. Children leaving earlier for any reason will need signing out at the school office. Handover times will soon speed up once our class teams recognise parents and carers.

PE Information

Swimming starts this Thursday (September 14) for Y4. Mr Gibbings will be sending out full details about kit, timings etc.

Class	PE	Games
1R	Tuesday	Wednesday
1L	Thursday	Wednesday

2M	Monday	Thursday
20	Thursday	Tuesday
3D	Thursday	Friday
3T	Wednesday	Friday
4C	Swimming on a Thursday	Friday
4P	Swimming on a Thursday	Tuesday
4J	Swimming on a Thursday	Monday
5E	Friday	Thursday
5M	Friday	Monday
5-6C	Tuesday	Wednesday
6M	Wednesday	Monday
6S	Monday	Thursday

Attendance.



Our attendance was 94.5%. If we removed holidays we would reach our target of 96%.

A Curriculum Update



The N1 group will enjoy a variety of activities related to their 'all about me' topic including messy play, learning about family members, caring for others, studying pets, eating healthily and tasting new foods. They will be learning new songs - Miss Polly, Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes and I Am Special. The class will be learning to recognise happy, sad, angry, and excited faces. This will also be taught using stories and our emotion monsters.,

The children in N2 will develop their communication and language skills by talking about their observations and asking questions. Our nursery continues to prioritise a 'bucket filling' approach and colour monsters to promote positive attitudes in both learning and behaviour. The children will also be introduced to our learning powers characters, promoting; 'concentration'-Emily Elephant, 'cooperation'-Sadie Squirrel, 'curiosity'-Kelly Kola, 'resilience'-Albert Armadillo and 'self-improvement'-The Monkeys. This half term the children will have the opportunity to go on autumn walks, looking for signs of autumn and changes taking place in our environment.

Children in our reception classes will focus on an emotions theme. Staff will introduce our sensory areas and talk about ways to deal with different feelings. The class will be singing their way through each day, with nursery rhymes and many new songs, The topics begin with 'The Seasons' with the children studying the changing weather and enjoying the outdoor spaces. We will be learning about There will be a phonics and maths lesson every day.

Our Year 1 and Year 2 children will be working very hard. In English, Year 2 will be engaging with 'The Goldilocks Project,' where they will read and compare three versions of the traditional story, while Year 1 will delve into the misadventures of 'The Naughty Bus.' In Maths, our focus will be on Place Value. History lessons take the children back to the time of 'The Great Fire of London,' where they will use a variety of primary and secondary sources to discover the past and its impact on the present. Computing will cover both Online Safety and Coding. The Science curriculum turns the spotlight on

'Animals Including Humans,' providing insights into the fascinating world of mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, fish and insects. Meanwhile, in Art, the children will explore charcoal as a medium, delve into drawing techniques reminiscent of cave art, and engage in some 'Primal Painting'.

In English Y3 and Y4 children will use a variety of film clips, pictures, and books as a focus point for writing. They are looking forward to lessons based on the book 'The First Drawings' by Mordicai Gerstein. In history the children will study-Life during the Stone Age. The class is Rumaysa – a modern twist on three classic fairy tales. In Maths lessons the children will continue to build upon the skills acquired in KS1 using the Red Rose Mastery scheme. Plants, the first science topic, will involve dissecting flowering plants to enable the children to identify the parts and functions of each. Computing lessons will begin with online safety followed by coding. Geography lessons will be focused on land use and the counties and cities of the UK. The Art project for this half term is based on the abstract landscapes of Wassily Kandinsky.

In Science Y5 and Y6 children will learn about the solar system including how planets and moons move and the impact this movement has. During Writing sessions, the children will be introduced to the book, *The Unforgtten Coat*. This novel is set in Bootle and follows the journey of two children who have moved to Liverpool from Mongolia followed by a demon. The children befriend a Year 6 pupil who becomes their 'Good Guide' and tries her best to help them settle in their new home. This year in Religious Education, the children will be learning about, and carrying out, the role of social scientists as we introduce our new RE scheme. Throughout the term, the children will experience many more exciting opportunities carefully designed to inspire and facilitate their learning.

Dates



Thursday October 12 Choir Concert

Tuesday October 17 Consultation Evening
Wednesday October 18 Consultation Evening
Monday October 23 Start of half-term week
Tuesday October 31 Halloween Discos

Monday December 11 Production/Presentation – 2M at 09.30 and 3D at 14.00 Tuesday December 12 Production/Presentation – 2O at 09.30 and 3T at 14.00 Wednesday December 13 Production/Presentation – 1L at 09.30 and 4C at 14.00 Production/Presentation – 1R at 09.30 and 4P at 14.00 Production/Presentation – RK at 09.30 and 4J at 14.00

Monday December 18 Production/Presentation – RB at 09.30 Tuesday December 19 Production/Presentation – N2 at 09.30

Wednesday December 20 Christmas Dinner
Thursday December 21 Christmas Parties
Friday December 22 Last Day of Term

This list will be updated each week.

Sports at Holland Moor



The Year Five/Six boys football team kicked off their footballing for the year with an emphatic 11-0 win over St Thomas. The boys played with flair, confidence and great maturity demonstrating free-flowing passing sequences and a range of clinical finishes. They played as a true team, where everybody made crucial contributions - a massive well done to all the players.

Lunch Menu – September 11 to September 15

Monday September 11	Pasta Carbonara	Barbecue Sweet Chilli Wraps
	Vegetarian Wraps	Tortilla Chips
	Salad	Coleslaw
	Vegetables of the Day	
	Swiss Tarts	Syrup sponge and custard
Tuesday September 12	Pork Meatballs and Pasta	Vegetarian Meatballs
	Tomato Sauce	Beans and Cheese on Toast
	Vegetables of the Day	
	Chocolate and Vanilla Cookies	Victoria Sponge Cake
Wednesday September 13	Picnic Lunch	Chicken Pasta with Arrabiata Sauce
	Vegetarian Pasta with Arrabiata Sauce	Vegetables of the Day
	Orange and Carrot Cake	Manchester Tart
Thursday September 14	Pepperoni Pizza	Margarita Pizza
	Chicken Burgers	Curly Fries
	Spaghetti Hoops	Corn on the Cob
	Vegetables of the Day	
	Decorated Doughnuts	Shortbread Biscuits
Friday September 15	Chicken Roast Dinner	Gammon Roast Dinner
	Quorn Fillet	Beef Bolognese
	Vegetables of the Day	
	Strawberry Whip	Jam and Cream Scones or Fruit Scones

Here's wishing you a great weekend.

MIKE BEALE