

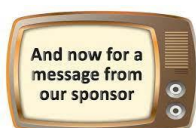
A Weekend Update from Holland Moor-October 06 2023



Welcome and some technical information

Welcome to Newsletter - number 06 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



You may have already received (if not it's coming soon) your invitation to our first consultation evening of the school year. This is your opportunity to meet with your child's teacher and discuss attainment and progress. As always we are hoping for an excellent response. If you have any difficulty using the on-line booking system please contact the school office.

Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week



It was great to be in Class 6S on Tuesday for that very special day when the children are introduced and get to practise long division. They were explicitly taught a specific technique and mastered it as quickly as I've known any class to do. Now they need lots and lots more practice with larger and larger numbers. Well done 6S.

Halloween Discos – Some further details



We want all year groups from Reception to Y6 to have the opportunity to experience our notorious Halloween disco. Accordingly we've adjusted the dates and times. There will be a £2 charge to include refreshments and lots of spooky fun.

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| Reception Classes | Monday October 30 4pm to 5pm |
| Year 1 and Year 2 | Tuesday October 31 (times to follow) |
| Year 3 and Year 4 | Friday November 03 4.30pm to 6pm |
| Year 5 and Year 6 | Friday November 03 6.30pm to 8pm |

Class of the Week. This week it's Class 5E



Class 5E enjoyed continuing their fantastic start to Year 5 with another wonderful week in class. The children experienced writing in different poetry genres while responding to an event for National Poetry Week – they produced some outstanding poems that were presented in a booklet decorated by zentangle artwork. In maths, they became masterful mathematicians who can now expertly calculate the perimeter for a range of polygons. Our choral reading is developing incredibly well, with much improved whole-class intonation and expression, and we have recently started to practise a new Halloween-themed poem ready to perform to Mr Beale. It has been a busy, productive and very enjoyable week with plenty of smiles and proud faces. Well done 5E, your teacher is beyond proud of every one of you.

Choir Concert



Although our new choir club members have worked very hard to learn a wide range of new songs we are not yet ready to share them with an audience. Accordingly I have had to postpone the concert planned for next Thursday. I'll advise parents and carers of the new date once it's fixed.

Reception Class Information Meeting



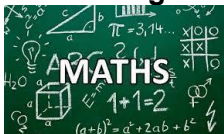
Our recent meeting for both reception classes was a resounding success. During the meeting, we provided the adults with valuable insights into their child's daily experiences at Holland Moor, highlighting how these experiences are carefully designed to align with the early learning goals set for our reception children. We delved into the importance of phonics and maths in the early years, showcasing the methods we employ. An exciting development we introduced was our new approach to sharing the school reader, utilising QR codes for easy access. Additionally, we shared some of the educational apps we use to support reading. For those who couldn't attend, please speak to Mrs. Ball who will provide more detailed information about the topics covered in the meeting. It was a productive and informative gathering that left parents and carers feeling confident about their child's educational journey.

National Poetry Day



For national poetry day, the Year 5 and Year 6 children took part in a variety of activities. The pupils learnt about a range of poems including acrostic, riddle and recipe. After that, they planned and wrote their own poem about themselves or something they think is important. Finally, the children worked tirelessly to make a front cover for their work.

Lathom High School Maths Competition:



On 4th October, four Year 6 pupils (Archie Bergman, Brian Sealey, Ernest Lenart and Ellie Houghton) took part in Lathom's maths competition. The event was attended by nine schools and the teams had to solve a variety of problems ranging from missing number equations to calculating picture based formulas. The Holland Moor team performed admirably and were in with a shout right until the final round!

Our Ninja Words of the Week



Our words are defeat, infectious, snarl, infer and substantiate.

Reception Year Words of the Week for Week Beginning October 09

Vocabulary

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| Linked to our theme | blustery |
| Linked to our phonics sound | knocking |
| An object | wellington boots |
| A description | hibernation |
| A feeling | angry |

Attendance. A continuing school priority.



Our attendance for this week was 94.9%

The national attendance figure for last week was 93.5%

The national target for attendance is 96%

On the Department for Education website we remain ranked 363 out of 392 Lancashire schools for attendance.

Sports Events at Holland Moor



Results and Reports

The Holland Moor girls' football team played a friendly against a strong St Richards team. The girls played excellent football throughout the match and showed great team work. The team won 7-1 and we are proud of their efforts. Well done Girls!

This week Holland Moor participated in the SHARES year 3/4 football league, taking 2 teams to the competition. The teams played tremendously well in each game, showing off their brilliant skills and abilities. Both teams reached the final stages of the tournament.

Dates



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| Tuesday October 17 | Consultation Evening |
| Wednesday October 18 | Consultation Evening |
| Monday October 23 | Start of half-term week |
| Tuesday October 31 | Halloween Discos |
| Monday November 06 | Nursery 2 Consultation Evening 1 |
| Tuesday November 07 | Nursery 2 Consultation Evening 2 |
| Wednesday November 22 | Clothes collection |
| 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 |
| Thursday December 14 | Production/Presentation – 1R at 09.30 and 4P at 14.00 |
| Friday December 15 | 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 |

Lunch Menu – October 09 to October 13

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| Monday October 09 | Sweet and Sour Chicken served with Egg Noodles | Macaroni Cheese and Garlic Bread |
| | Vegetables of the Day | |
| | Butterfly Cakes | Bananas and Custard |
| Tuesday October 10 | Sausage In a Barm Cake | Vegetable Sausage in a Barm Cake |
| | Fish Fingers | Oven Chips |
| | Vegetables of the Day | |
| | Piped Shortbread | Flaked Macaroons |
| Wednesday October 11 | Shepherd's Pie | Chicken Fillet |
| | Quorn Fillet | Creamy Mashed Potato |
| | Vegetables of the Day | |
| | Chocolate Sponge and Ice Cream | Jam Roly Poly and Custard |
| Thursday October 12 | A Selection of Filled Paninis served with Salad and Coleslaw | Pasta Pomodoro with Grated Cheese |
| | Vegetables of the Day | |
| | Apple and Raspberry Muffins | Victoria Sponge Cake |

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| Friday October 13 | Pizza Selection served with Baked Wedges | Fish Pie |
| | Vegetables of the Day | |
| | Lemon Butter Biscuits | Rock Buns |

Here's wishing you a great weekend.

MIKE BEALE