A Weekend Update from Holland Moor-December 08 2023



Welcome and some technical information

Welcome to Newsletter - number 14 of the current school year. All previous newsletters can be found on our school website <u>www.holland.lancsngfl.ac.uk</u>

A Message from Our Sponsor



It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas at Holland Moor. Our decorated tree and one massive Santa are now located at the front of school, our driveway illuminations are in place, we are looking forward to seven Christmas productions – not to mention raffles, parties, Christmas dinner and the ever popular Holland Moor Christmas Grotto. No half-measures at Holland Moor.

Lateness and Attendance

Even though I like to spend time with my family at the weekend I will keep to my promise of letting families know if their child/children are missing any learning due to lateness. As a bonus this weekend I'll let families know any low attendance figures for September 2023 to November 30 2023. If you are worried by the figures, please make an appointment with me to discuss a positive way forward to improve punctuality or attendance.

Winter Wonderland



There are still a few places available. Book online or contact the school office on 01695725062. It would be fine for families beyond the immediate Holland Moor community to book too.

Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week



Year five and year six have worked so hard this week designing and making their very own bird hides. The designs were intricate and beautifully labelled and the resulting products were robust and effective. It was very rewarding to watch the children totally engrossed in their measuring cutting, sawing and gluing. I always feel proud about the wide and diverse curriculum opportunities we offer our pupils in every year group.

Class of the Week-Class 20



Class 20 have really impressed Miss Oldfield, Mrs Sephton and Miss Riley this week with their writing. After reading extracts from the story 'Billy and The Minipins' by Roald Dahl, they wrote beautiful character descriptions of the Minipins using contrasting sentences and amazing vocabulary including 'colossal', 'miniature' and 'gloomy'. In Maths, the children have shown off their 'telling the time' skills – chanting and remembering that 'quarter to is on the 9' and accurately calculating what time it will be one hour after a given time.

Christmas Raffle



Tickets are still available from the school office. We'll send another slip out during the week too. Prizes include-

| Nitendo Switch Bundle | Meta Quest Headset | Echo Dot Kids | Amazon Fire Stick | Baking Hamper | Monster Truck Techno | Toy Hamper | Dining Out £50 Cards x 4 |
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| 10 | £30 of | £40 | Unicorn | 3D | Touch | Cream | Many |
| Class | Amazon | Therapy | Hamper | Lamp | Control | Теа | More |
| Hampers | Vouchers | Vouchers | | | Speaker | Vouchers | Prizes |

Our Christmas Jumper - Non Uniform Day



It was truly wonderful to see so many Christmas jumpers around school today. Some of the designs were amazing and the children were clearly delighted to show off their Santa, the angels and oh so many reindeers.

The Holland Moor Santa Dash



It was a superb experience to see so many of our brave pupils participating in the marvellous Holland Moor Santa Dash. There was a sea of Christmas jumpers and Santa hats flooding across the playground with all participants earning us points towards our next national sports award application in 2024.

Our Ninja Words of the Week for Week Beginning December 11



Our words are immense, bludgeon, cling, detach and fickle

Reception Year Words of the Week for Week Beginning December 11

Vocabulary

| Linked to our theme | sleigh | | |
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| Linked to our phonics sound | ring | | |
| An object | gift | | |
| An action | flying | | |
| A feeling | excited | | |

Attendance and Punctuality.



Our attendance this week was 93.5%. We are ranked 351 out of 417 Lancashire schools.

Sports Events at Holland Moor



Results and Reports



Holland Moor took part in the WLSP sports hall athletics last Monday afternoon. We took eighteen children to represent the school and they participated in many different track and field events. All the children responded incredibly well to the athletic challenges and made us very proud of their determined efforts.

Dates



Monday December 11 Tuesday December 12 Tuesday December 12 Wednesday December 13 Thursday December 14 Thursday December 14 Friday December 15 Monday December 18 Tuesday December 19 Production/Presentation – 2M at 09.30 Production/Presentation – 2O at 09.30 The Hub –Parent/Pupil Christmas Crafts from 1.00pm Production/Presentation – 1L at 09.30 Production/Presentation – 1R at 09.30 School Choir and Poetry Evening 6.30pm Production/Presentation – RK at 09.30 Production/Presentation – RB at 09.30

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

Lunch Menu – December 11 to December 15

| Monday December 11 | Quorn Meatballs in a | Pork Meatballs in a Creamy Tomato | |
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| December 11 | Creamy Tomato Pasta Sauce | Pasta Sauce | |
| | Quorn Scouse with | Beef Scouse with Crusty Bread | |
| | Crusty Bread | Marchald (the De | |
| | Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps | Vegetables of the Day | |
| | Lemon Drizzle Cake and Custard | Peaches and Ice Cream | |
| Tuesday | Harry Pamedon's Fish | Cheese and Onion Pie with Oven | |
| Tuesday December 12 | Harry Ramsden's Fish with Oven Chips | Chips | |
| | Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps | Vegetables of the Day | |
| | Syrup Sponge and Custard | Chocolate Cookies | |
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| Wednesday December 13 | BBQ Chicken with Steamed Rice | Beef Lasagne with Crusty Bread | |
| | Quorn Lasagne with Crusty Bread | Vegetables of the Day | |
| | Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps | | |
| | Strawberry Mousse and Fruit Coulis | Raspberry Buns | |
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| Thursday December 14 | Pork Sausage with Mashed Potato | Vegetarian Sausage with Mashed Potato | |
| | Penne Pasta with Mascarpone Sauce | Vegetables of the Day | |
| | Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps | | |
| | Flapjack | Swiss Tarts | |
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| Friday December 14 | Fish Fingers with Curly Fries | Beefburger with Curly Fries | |
| | Vegie Burger with Curly Fries | Vegetables of the Day | |
| | Chocolate Crispie Slice | Syrup Cookies | |

Here's wishing you a great weekend.

MIKE BEALE