

A Weekend Update from Holland Moor-March 15 2024

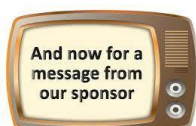


Welcome and some technical information

Welcome to Newsletter - number 26 of the current school year. All previous newsletters can be found on our school website

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A Message from Our Sponsor –quoting Holland Moor pupils talking about Science Week



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Grace –“Everyone had so much fun, everyone loved science week.”

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Poppy- “Science Week has blown my mind.”

Mason and Darcy- Science Week was a brilliant experience.

Mr Beale’s Highlight of the Week



I have never seen so much science taking place at Holland Moor. I have never seen so much quality science taking place in one week at Holland Moor. I have never seen so many truly dedicated scientists at Holland Moor. Fantastic. Wonderful. Please read the paragraphs that follow. Many thanks for the positive comments in emails

Class of the Week-this week it’s Class. 6M

Asthma



We are currently reviewing our asthma policy in school. To do this, it is important that we update our records for all children who have a diagnosis of asthma by the GP or hospital. Please update the information regarding your child so we can ensure our school records are accurate.

Please complete the Google form by clicking on the below link. This must be completed for each child. Thanks to those parents/carers who have already returned the form we sent out via email.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfxM4zbYceWMW4CQyYanHUKci8JM5p6EYWYrqnxvHkp9kJKuA/viewform?usp=sf_link

Our School Grounds



We've had our seasonal donation of plants this early Springtime and I must say the grounds at the front of school are looking absolutely beautiful. I think a journey from the school gate to the office area says a lot about the general level of care in school and our attention to detail.

Celebrating Comic Relief/Red Nose Day at Holland Moor



Nursery 2 class looked oh so fabulous in their red clothes to support Red Nose Day. They had wonderful ideas for their red drawings and had sticky fun making Red Nose Cakes, Yummy!

What a fantastic day in Year 1 and 2. The children learned about Comic Relief and how the money raised on Red Nose Day is used to fund different charities and organisations. They understood that the money is used to provide things like food, clean water, medicine, and education to those who might not have access to them in our country and across the world. As Comic Relief has partnered with Aardman Animations to create their most cracking T-shirt and sweatshirt collection this year, we decided to design our very own characters in the style of Nick Park. The children sculptured their characters out of play dough, then used the iPads to create their own one stop animations. We certainly have some budding film artists in the making!

Embracing the saying, 'Do Something Funny For Money' was central to the activities that the children completed in KS2a for Comic Relief. Each classroom started with a joke telling activity and had fun exploring a selection of limericks. Everyone then designed the 'funniest' nose they could and placed these in different places around the classroom which certainly helped create a happy atmosphere. Keeping with red theme, the children studied the painting by Kazimir Malevich, 'Painterly Realism of a Peasant Woman in Two Dimensions,' more commonly known as 'Red Square' and used this to inspire their own paintings.

The Year 5 and 6 classes enjoyed a range of activities to mark Comic Relief. In the morning activity, the children took part in a joke loop game where each child had the answer to a joke followed by the question of the next joke. The children had to determine if the answer they had matched the question read out by one of the children. Also, the pupils took part in a fantastic Comic Relief assembly full of fun and competitions involving red balloons and a giant jenga. . To finish off the day, the classes took part in some games (again involving red balloons), sang along to a Comic Relief song and also, just for fun, ended the day with a Mexican wave!

Celebrating British Science Week at Holland Moor



The Nursery 2 children enjoyed learning about bridges through listening to the story The Three Billy Goats Gruff. They explored making bridges with different construction materials including Duplo, Megga Blocks and large wooden blocks.

Our Year 1 and Year 2 children thoroughly enjoyed their WOW Science assembly to celebrate Science Week. They all gathered in the hall to take part in a series of experiments, each with a different scientific focus. They made predictions, watched minty explosions, followed bubbles of a lava lamp and used string to talk to each other across the length of the hall. There was a lot of laughter, rounds of applause and many thrilled faces. It was super.

Science week has been thoroughly enjoyed by all of the children in KS2a. They completed a practical activity each day which has provided them with a wealth of learning opportunities. After watching an online live lesson, hosted by a zoologist, the children made moths out of salt dough to help them learn how animals adapt to their environment and use camouflage to help them survive.

Developing measuring skills and learning about how different products react when mixed together was next. The children made bubble juice to make giant bubbles, explored the non-Newtonian composition of corn flour and water by making oobleck and became polymer chemists when they made gelatinous scented worms. The week ended making butter by shaking cream to make the fat molecules stick together. All of the children agreed it was possibly the best butter they had ever tasted.

The children in Year 5 and 6 worked wonderfully well during their class's individual Science day. The pupils took part in three lessons: smelly worms, where they used their knowledge of chemistry and making polymers to produce a scented bag of worms; edible fizz, where the children combined an acid and an alkali to make a sweet tasting fizzing powder; and, finally, they took part in a chromatography lesson, where they used water to separate ink from paper. All the teachers reported that the children thoroughly enjoyed the day, worked scientifically and gained a great understanding of the topics delivered.

Easter Raffle



Draw to take place on Tuesday March 26.

Prizes include Easter Sharing Hampers, an Amazon Fire Tablet, an alexa pop, a Smart Fitness Watch, tickets to Martin Mere and many more wonderful items. Payment can be made in cash or by using the parentpay system. Tickets can also be purchased directly from the school office.

Our Ninja Words of the Week for Week Beginning March 04



Our words are drone, adamant, sturdy, mottled and placid

Reception Year Words of the Week for Week Beginning March 04

Vocabulary

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

Attendance



Our attendance this week was 94.1- not as good as last week.

Sports Events at Holland Moor



The Holland Moor Year 3 and Year 4 running team took part in the Shares Park Run competition on Tuesday. The team did superbly well in both the girls' and boys' races which were run over very tough terrain. Holland Moor is proud of their achievements, with the runners taking first place in both races. The immense support the children showed each other was clearly noticeable.

Dates



Monday March 18	Reception classes – Piracy Day
Thursday March 28	Last day of Spring Term
Monday April 15	INSET/CPD Day-office open
Tuesday April 16	First day of Summer Term-pupils
Monday May 06	School closed for bank holiday
Friday May 24	Last day before half-term holiday
Saturday May 25 to Sunday June 02	– half-term holiday
Monday June 03	First day after half-term holiday
Thursday July 18	Last Day of Summer Term
Monday September 02	INSET/CPD Day-office open
Tuesday September 03	First day of Autumn Term-pupils
Saturday October 19 to Sunday October 27	– half-term holiday
Friday December 20	Last Day of Autumn Term
Monday January 06	INSET/CPD Day-office open
Tuesday January 07	First Day of Spring Term-pupils

Lunch Menu – March 18 to March 22

Monday March 18	Chicken Nuggets with Oven Chips	Quorn Nuggets with Oven Chips
	Tempura Fish Goujons with Oven Chips	
	Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	Vegetables of the Day
	Fairy Cakes	Syrup Sponge and Custard
Tuesday March 19	Chicken Pie with Potato Wedges and Gravy	Vegan Sausage Roll with Potato Wedges
	Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	Vegetables of the Day
	Chocolate Cookies	Custard Creams
Wednesday March 20	Roast Chicken with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Roast Quorn with Mashed Potato and Gravy
	Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	Vegetables of the Day
	Lemon Drizzle Cake and Custard	Peaches and Ice Cream
Thursday March 21	Spaghetti Bolognese	Chicken Fried Rice
	Veggie Fried Rice	Cauliflower Cheese
	Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	Vegetables of the Day
	Apple Crunchie Tart and Custard	Victoria Sponge Cake
Friday March 22	Margaritta Pizza with Potato Wedges	Hot Dog with Potato Wedges
	Veggie Hot Dog with Potato Wedges	
	Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	Vegetables of the Day
	Syrup Cookies	Strawberry Mousse

Wishing all our families a pleasant weekend.

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