

A Weekend Update from Holland Moor-September 13 2024



Welcome and some technical information

Welcome to Newsletter - number 03 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



It has been great to see our school clubs back on this week. Offering fourteen clubs this term is something we are rightly proud of. Clubs were well-attended and it is very helpful that we can still use the school hall for clubs. I very much enjoyed supervising chess club this week but didn't dare play any club members as they are way too good for me. I was also pleased to see 28 pupils at the school choir and over *** children at dodgeball. Fantastic!

Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week



I've always been very proud of our nursery provision but never prouder than at the moment. I've spent quite a lot of time in both nursery classes this week and the children are an absolute joy to be with. When you work with very young children you notice their progress and achievements so readily – sometimes on a daily basis. It's exceptionally professionally rewarding.

Y6 SATS – 2025



Monday May 12 to Thursday May 15 – please do not book any holidays! We want another year of very high scores.

P.S.H.E



As part of our subscription to SCARF their specialist teacher visits us each year. This week Sophie Kitson has been with us for all five days, teaching each class. Sophie covered subjects such as It's Great to Be Me, Meet the Brain and Taking Care of Myself.

Energy Monitors



We now have brand new energy monitors in each class. It is their responsibility to turn off the lights, projectors etc. when they are not needed or when the room is empty. Last year we made significant savings due to the diligence and determination of the energy team. I hope this new team do as well!

School Councillors



Each KS2 class now has their own school councillor – 8 councillors in total. The council will meet for the first time this week and we'll elect a secretary who can provide some written feedback for the next newsletter. Two of the councillors will also represent Holland Moor in the Skelmersdale Pupil Parliament.

Class of the Week. This week it's Class 6S



The children in Class 6S made a fantastic start to the academic year and have been working extremely hard. In a biology lesson on the circulatory system, they produced a fantastic set of labelled diagrams depicting the blood vessels (veins, arteries and capillaries). The work created by the children was stunning and they all should be very proud of themselves.

Our Ninja Words of the Week for Week Beginning September 09



Our words are survey, fury, steep, nurture and nerves

We'll be revising the words February, science and evidence.

Reception Year Words of the Week for Week Beginning September 16

Vocabulary

Linked to our theme

harvest

Linked to our phonics sound	sound
An object /objects	scarecrow
An action	flutter
A feeling	love

PE Information



One change – Class 1C have PE on a Friday

School Clubs



Two changes – Dance club has had to move to a MONDAY as the pasta activity team use our hall on a Tuesday. Dance club is now open to year three, year four, year five and year six.

Mindfulness club is now open to children from year four, year five and year six

Attendance.



Our attendance was a better than admirable 97.5%. Please, please, please maintain this above national averages attendance score.

Punctuality – Lateness

Please remember that learning begins in classrooms from 08.30 with the register closing at 08.50. Children should not be late for school at all (after 08.50) – except in genuine emergencies and then we need to be informed about the reason. Arriving at school in good time ensures that children are ready to learn and feel calm about the beginning of the day. Lateness can also be very disruptive to other children in the class. From next week, we'll text you if your child is more than a few minutes late for school.

Sports at Holland Moor



The Holland Moor football team (a mixed boys/girls team) played a friendly match against St Thomas's on Thursday. This was our first match of the season. The team played a delightful

passing game and followed the coached plan wonderfully well. They showed their quality in a 10-1 win over our local rivals.

Dates



Wednesday October 02	Year 6 team to a Maths Challenge at Lathom High School.
Thursday October 10	Choir Concert
Tuesday October 15	Consultation Evening
Wednesday October 16	Consultation Evening
Tuesday October 07	Individual photographs – new company
Wednesday October 08	Family photographs – new company
Friday October 18	Flu immunisations
Friday October 18	Start of half-term holiday
Monday October 28	Pupils start school after half-term holiday
Wednesday October 30	Halloween Discos-Reception and KS1 (separate discos)
Thursday October 31	Halloween Discos-KS2a and KS2b (separate discos)
Monday December 09	Christmas Production –Class 2M
Tuesday December 10	Christmas Production – Class 2O
Wednesday December 11	Christmas Production – Class 1C
Thursday December 12	Christmas Production – Class 1R
Friday December 13	Christmas Production – Class RK
Monday December 16	Christmas Production – Class RB
Tuesday December 17	Christmas Production – N2
Tuesday December 17	Christmas Concert
Wednesday December 18	Christmas Dinner
Thursday December 19	Christmas Parties
Friday December 20	Last Day of Term

This list will be updated each week.

Lunch Menu – September 16 to September 20

Monday September 16	Meatballs with Spaghetti	Vegetarian Savoury Balls with Spaghetti.
	Gluten Free/Dairy Free Spaghetti with Meatballs	Sweet and Sour Chicken with Rice
	Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	Vegetables of the Day
	Honey and Banana Cake and Custard	Custard Cookies
Tuesday September 17	Hot Dog in a Roll with Tortilla Chips	Vegetarian Hot Dog in a Roll with Tortilla Chips

	Beef Lasagne with Crusty Bread	Vegetarian Lasagne with Crusty Bread
	Gluten Free/Dairy Free Lasagne with Crusty Bread	Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Vegetables of the Day	
	Flapjack	Shortbread Biscuits
Wednesday September 18	Chicken Roast with Gravy	Quorn Roast with Vegetarian Gravy
	Gluten Free Roast and Gravy	Cheese and Egg Flan with Jacket Potato and Beans
	Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	Vegetables of the Day
	Decorated Doughnuts	Lemon Drizzle Cake and Custard
Thursday September 19	Margarita Pizza with Herby Potatoes	Pepperoni Pizza with Herby Potatoes
	Gluten Free/Dairy Free Pizza	Chicken Chow Mein
	Vegetarian Chow Mein	Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Vegetables of the Day	
	Chocolate Crispie Cake	Manchester Tart
Friday September 20	Pork Sausage Roll with Oven Chips	Vegetarian Sausage Roll with Oven Chips
	Harry Ramsden Sea Stars and Oven Chips	Gluten Free Fish Fingers and Oven Chips
	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Jam or Lemon Curd Tarts	Raspberry Buns

Here's wishing you a great weekend.

MIKE BEALE