

A Weekend Update from Holland Moor-September 27 2024



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.lancsnqfl.ac.uk

A Message from Our Sponsor



Please remember that I am always willing to show parents and carers around our beautiful school including parents/carers of children already part of the Holland Moor community. I hope you also remember that we answer the phones from 06.45 until 18.00 and sometimes later. If you use my email head@hollandmoor.lancs.sch.uk you are guaranteed a speedy reply at any time of day. This week I've been pleased to help with club information, lost property, seating arrangements, uniform orders, references for ex pupils etc.

Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week



I've been doing some ten minute tours of the whole school this week. This is where I move around Holland Moor stopping for just ten minutes in each classroom. The process gives me a real snapshot of what it is like to be learning in Holland Moor on any one day and specifically highlights our effective and consistence use of shared, whole-school teaching and learning activities.

Classroom Drinks



Drinks for classrooms should be water or with specific permission lightly flavoured water. This week I've seen children with coke, milkshake, energy drinks and even a 3% shandy. Lunchtime drinks are for parents/carers to decide but it is very important everyone keeps to the school rules over classroom lubrication.

End of the School Day



The last ten minutes of the school day are very important for learning as they include retrieval and revision of learning and setting the scene for the next day. Accordingly we do not want lessons interrupted if parents/carers come to collect their children even a few minutes early via the school office. Your co-operation in this matter is appreciated.

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



What a wonderful week for Class 5M. They have settled into Year 5 life seamlessly and hit the ground running with many wonderful learning experiences already. This week they have shown off their fantastic writing skills in a number of different genres including a detailed newspaper report, a gripping interview script and the most difficult but equally as good- an inner monologue. In Maths, they have correctly identified and accurately measured and drawn angles. Their protractors have earned a well-deserved rest. On top of all this, their knowledge of how our bodies transport nutrients around the human form, ways we can adapt to and mitigate global warming and the similarities between the different gospels is impressive and they can clearly articulate their learning to peers in great detail. Well done 5M keep up the great work and the rewards will continue to come in abundance.

Our Ninja Words of the Week for Week Beginning September 30



Our words are proof, character, debt, react and edit

We'll be revising the words survey, steep, fury, nurture and nerves

Reception Year Words of the Week for Week Beginning September 30

Vocabulary

Linked to our theme	habitat
Linked to our phonics sound	sit
An object /objects	conker
An action	crisp
A feeling	proud

School Census



Next Thursday (October 3rd) is national school census day, it's the day lots of information is gathered that affects our 2025/2026 funding. So, it is important that as many children as possible choose to eat a school meal as the number directly affects the overall meal subsidy we receive. It is, of course, only a coincidence that we've put together a special menu for the day – see our chart!

School Choir



I've been over ambitious thinking the new school choir will be ready for their first performance by October 10th. I'll rearrange the date for November and publish the new arrangements as soon as I can.

Attendance.



Our attendance figure this week was 94.3%

Sports at Holland Moor



The Holland Moor football team showcased an impressive performance in this year's SHARES football tournament, demonstrating skill, teamwork, and determination as they battled their way to the semi-finals. Playing some intense matches all the way. The team made the school proud of their efforts achieving third place overall.

Many congratulations to Poppy Thwaite and Izabella-Aspinall-MacIver who have been selected to play for the West Lancashire football team.

Dates



Tuesday October 15	Consultation Evening
Wednesday October 16	Consultation Evening
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)
Friday November 15	Children in Need activities.
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 30 to October 04

Monday September 30	Cheese and Tomato Pasta	Gluten Free/Dairy Free Pasta
	Chicken Korma Curry served with Rice	Chicken Curry served with Rice
	Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	Vegetables of the Day
	Iced Sponge Cake	Buddies Flapjack
Tuesday October 01	Cheese Calzone served with Savoury Rice and Tortilla Chips with Coleslaw	Cheese and Ham Calzone served with Savoury Rice and Tortilla Chips with Coleslaw
	Gluten Free/Dairy Free Pizza	Sticky Chicken with Noodles
	Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	Vegetables of the Day
	Strawberry Whip	Melting Moment Cookies
Wednesday October 02	Pork Sausage with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Vegetarian Sausage with Mashed Potato and Vegetarian Gravy
	Gluten Free Sausage with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Chicken Pie served with Mashed Potato and Gravy
	Quorn Pie served with Mashed Potato and Vegetarian Gravy	Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Vegetables of the Day	
	Iced Cherry Shortcake	Chocolate and Vanilla Cookies
Thursday October 03	Chicken Burger with Herbie Potatoes and Mixed Salad	Vegetarian Burger with Herby Potatoes and Mixed Salad

	Gluten Free Plain Chicken in a Bun with Herby Potatoes and Mixed Salad	Cheesy Pasta Bake
	Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	Vegetables of the Day
	Harvest Fruit Cake and Custard	Chocolate Shortbread Biscuits
Friday October 04	Chicken Nuggets with Oven Chips	Quorn Nuggets with Oven Chips
	Gluten Free/Dairy Free Chicken Nuggets and Oven Chips	Assorted Paninis with Oven Chips
	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Apple Crumble and Custard.	Fairy Cakes

Here's wishing you a great weekend.

MIKE BEALE