

A Weekend Update from Holland Moor-November 15 2024



Welcome and some technical information

Welcome to Newsletter - number 12 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



I'm beginning to have that impending sense of Christmas looming. We have the grotto, the raffle, Christmas plays, Christmas songs, Christmas dinner and Christmas parties. There will also be some special geography lessons looking at the different ways Christmas is celebrated around the world. Each class will experience a Christmas celebration they have never tried before! Of course, in amongst the fun there will be plenty of traditional lessons too.

Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week



It was great to be in RK on Thursday morning. The children are learning their phonics so very well. I saw them blending, segmenting and rhyming but most impressive was their ability to recognise and read those red words that are not phonically regular. They worked solidly for nearly an hour with great focus and a wonderful attitude to learning and sharing their successes.

School Choir



Our school choir, poets and instrumentalists are really looking forward to performing in the school concert next Wednesday. They have practised very hard and are very excited about their chance to showcase their skills.

Children in Need



Children in the reception classes loved participating in the very challenging Bikeathon. They pedalled many miles in total and were pleasantly exhausted by the end of the session

In KS1 our children took part in many exciting Children in Need activities, including a fun-filled Danceathon Challenge. The children danced to 10 different songs spread out through the day, showcasing their energy and enthusiasm. Each song brought smiles and laughter, helping to raise awareness and support for a great cause.

A great time was had by all of the children in Year 3 and Year 4. The children in Year 3 wrote a collaborative friendship poem with a learning partner from the other class in the year group. Both classes also worked together to fill a bucket with compliments and kind deeds. The children in Year 4 were challenged to create a picture using only what they could find on the floor in the woodland area. They went on a nature trail in the school gardens to collect a range of resources. When they returned to class they produced a whole variety of nature inspired art; we even had a Pudsey and Blush creation!

The Year 5 and Year 6 classes enjoyed a variety of activities including a Hula Hoop and Keepie-Uppie challenge, a special bingo challenge and some spotty art work using the art technique of pointillism.

There will be lots of photographs on Facebook including the activities

Anti-Bullying Week



As part of anti-bullying week, the Year 5 and Year 6 children learnt about different types of bullying and what to do in certain bullying situations. The children also watched a dramatisation following the story of a teenage girl who is being bullied. The production reinforced what the children had learnt during their PSHE lesson and also enabled the children to understand what could make someone act in a negative way towards their peers.

Christmas Raffle



Tickets can be ordered and paid for on ParentPay and we'll be sending out paper booking forms very soon. New prizes added this week include

Christmas at Holland Moor – The Wonderland Grotto



Visits can be booked online at
<https://parents-booking.co.uk/hollandmoor>

Class of the Week. This week it's Class 2M



Class 2M showed an impressive level of creativity, when producing their new art display. Their portraits, inspired by the distinctive style of Picasso, are nothing short of masterpieces and have left everyone thoroughly impressed. In addition to their artistic accomplishments, Class 2M have been deeply engaged in their work on endangered animals, which links to our English story, A Journey Home. This heart-felt tale follows four endangered animals in their desperate quest for a safe and welcoming home, away from the harmful impact of human activity. Class 2M has tackled the tricky task of identifying and describing the properties of 3D shapes, including faces, vertices, and edges. Naming and remembering the characteristics of so many different shapes can be difficult, but their determination and hard work have paid off. Class 2M has had an exceptional week, demonstrating creativity, focus, and enthusiasm. They deserve the title of Class of the Week—well done, 2M!

Our Ninja Words of the Week for Week Beginning November 18



Our words are smirk, pause, scoop, portable and taunt

We'll be revising the words glimpse, ban, envy, generous and hinder

Reception Year Words of the Week for Week Beginning November 18

Vocabulary

Linked to our theme	rangoli
Linked to our phonics sound	jug
An object /objects	diva lamps
An action	pooja
A feeling	jealous

Attendance.



Another satisfactory week – 95.5% attendance

This week we have made direct contact with parents of children who are classed as persistent absentees. Thank you to those parents who responded by email or came to chat to me.

Sports at Holland Moor



Holland Moor Y3 and Y4 dodgeball team competed in the SHARES Dodgeball tournament. The team played a total of 7 matches during the tournament showcasing there fantastic throwing and catching skills and thoroughly enjoying the experience.

Dates



Wednesday November 20	School Choir concert starting at 630pm
Monday December 09	Christmas Production –Class 2M-930am
Tuesday December 10	Christmas Production – Class 2O-930am
Wednesday December 11	Christmas Production – Class 1C-930am
Thursday December 12	Christmas Production – Class 1R-930am
Friday December 13	Christmas Production – Class RK-930am
Friday December 13	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday December 16	Christmas Production – Class RB-930am
Tuesday December 17	Christmas Production – N2-930am
Wednesday December 18	Christmas Dinner
Thursday December 19	Christmas Parties
Friday December 20	Last Day of Term-school finishes at 3pm

This list will be updated each week.

Lunch Menu – November 18 to November 22

Monday November 18	Barbecue Chicken served with Steamed Rice.	Barbecue Quorn served with Steamed Rice
	Gluten Free Barbecued Chicken served with Steamed Rice	Beef Scouse served with Crusty Bread and Red Cabbage
	Quorn Scouse served with Crusty Bread and Red Cabbage	Vegetables of the Day
	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	
	Vanilla Sponge and Chocolate Sauce	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts
Tuesday November 19	Fish Fingers served with Oven Chips	Pizza Slice served with Oven Chips
	Vegetarian Pizza served with Oven Chips	Gluten Free Pizza served with Oven Chips

	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Paris Sandwich and Custard	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts
Wednesday November 20	Beef Bolognese	Quorn Bolognese
	Bacon and Potato Cheesy Bake	Vegetarian Brunch
	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Cookie Selection	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts
Thursday November 21	Roast Chicken Dinner served with Gravy	Quorn Roast Dinner served with Vegetarian Gravy
	Gammon Roast Dinner served with Gravy	Vegetables of the Day
	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	
	Jelly and Ice Cream	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts
Friday November 22	Pork Meatballs served with Tomato Sauce	Vegetarian Meatballs served with Tomato Sauce
	Gluten Free Meatballs served with Tomato Sauce	Cheese Pie with Jacket Potato
	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Chocolate Cookies	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts

Here's wishing you a great weekend.

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