

A Weekend Update from Holland Moor- May 16 2025



Welcome and some technical information

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A Message from Our Sponsor



As there will be nine colleagues attending PGL with year six next week, there will be times in the week when we will be 'stretched' with staffing. One of these times will be in the very popular breakfast club. It would help me enormously if only the children who really need this facility (working parents etc.) use it next week and those that come to socialise stay away. I know this doesn't sound like the usual welcoming Holland Moor but it would help me immensely.

Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week



I was very proud of Y6 this week. As you'll see below they have worked so well in their national tests. It's going to be a long six to seven weeks before we get the results.

Year Group of the Week – Year 6 – again!



After working with great determination and focus during the last term, our Year 6 pupils performed admirably throughout SATs week. All children tried their best when taking the Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling, Reading and Mathematics tests. They worked quietly and with great purpose, showcasing the hard work that they have put in. After their last test on Thursday, the children took part in an outdoor game of rounders and some mindfulness activities on the field. As a further reward, the children enjoyed an hour of bowling and some time spent in the arcade at Hollywood Bowl. All the children thoroughly deserved this special trip! Well done to all the Year 6s.

Year 5 to the Science Festival in Preston



Year 5 had an incredible time at the Lancashire Science Festival yesterday! The day began with a thrilling chemistry show packed with mind-blowing experiments and dramatic reactions that had everyone gasping and cheering. Later, the children attended a fascinating talk that took them on a journey through the history of astronomy, learning how our understanding of the universe has changed from the early theories of Ptolemy to the ground-breaking ideas of Copernicus and Newton. To top it all off, the children explored an exciting range of interactive science stalls. From testing VR headsets and drone flight simulators to bridge building, 3D printing and neuron model making, the event was bursting with hands-on learning and inspiration. It truly was a day to remember—igniting curiosity and reminding us all how exciting science can be!

Mental Health Awareness Week



This week our reception classes took part in mindfulness yoga. All the children took time to relax and follow the yoga movements. The children were calmer and very ready to learn afterwards. This helped them to understand that looking after our mental health is just as important as looking after our physical health

Year one and year two pupils enjoyed a thoughtful and heart-warming lesson exploring the theme of *'Why Kindness Matters'*. The children shared what kindness means to them and discussed the many ways we can show it to each other. To put their thoughts into action, the children created beautiful pictures and cards to show kindness to someone special in their lives. It was lovely to see some choosing to write messages to their friends. It is clear we have a wonderfully kind group of children!

In recognition of mental health awareness week, the children in Years 3 and 4 participated in 'Kindness Friday.' The day started with investigating what kindness is, how it can positively impact our mental health and how it is different for everyone. The children then designed a class kindness campaign which involved every child doing something kind during the day that they would not ordinarily do. The children recorded these acts so they can be shared and remembered during the rest of the school year. All of the children took a pledge to show as much kindness as they could to as many people as possible throughout the day. Whole class kindness poems were written so the children could celebrate their acts before ending the day with a class treat to recognise the efforts everyone made. It was a lovely day filled with positivity, caring and compassion that was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone involved.

Our Ninja Words of the Week for Week Beginning May 19



Our words are grumble, elderly, gusty, obsolete and breathtaking

We'll be revising the words deceive, cunning naïve, protrude and debris

Reception Year Words of the Week for Week Beginning May 19

Vocabulary

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| Linked to our theme | allotment |
| Linked to our phonics sound | manure |
| An object /objects | wheelbarrow |
| An action | plant |
| A feeling | stuffed |

Attendance.



Our attendance this week was an improving 94.9%

Sports at Holland Moor



Holland Moor put on an impressive performance in a thrilling 3-3 draw against Cobbs Brow in the girls' football match. From the first whistle, both teams showed determination and skill, with Holland Moor fighting for each and every ball. Well done to the team for their efforts.

Dates



Please note the change to Y6 Sports Day.

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| Monday May 19 | PGL Week |
| Thursday May 22 | RE Day |
| Friday May 23 | Last day before half-term holiday |
| Saturday May 24 to Sunday June 01 | – half-term holiday |
| Monday June 02 | First day after half-term holiday |
| Wednesday June 04 | Arts Evening |
| Thursday June 05 | Year 6 RSE information meeting (Zoom) for parents and carers at 6 |
| Tuesday June 10 | Year 1 and HUB to Skipton Castle |
| Wednesday June 11 | Year 2 to Skipton Castle |
| Monday June 16 | Y4 Sports Day at 09.15 |
| Tuesday June 17 | Y1 Sports Day at 09.15 |
| Wednesday June 18 | Y2 Sports Day at 09.15 |
| Thursday June 19 | History Day |

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| Friday June 20 | Y5 Sports Day at 09.15 |
| Monday June 23 | YR to Blackpool Zoo |
| Tuesday June 24 | YR Sports Day at 09.15- It's called The Reception Year Zooper Sports |
| Wednesday June 25 | Y3 Sports Day at 09.15 |
| Thursday June 26 | Y6 Sports Day at 09.15 |
| Thursday June 26 | Geography Day |
| Tuesday July 08 | Open Evening – New reception classes at 15.00 |
| Tuesday July 08 | Y6 Play – from 6pm |
| Wednesday July 09 | Y6 Play - from 6pm |
| Thursday July 10 | Pupil reports issued |
| Thursday July 10 | Sports Awards Evening |
| Thursday July 10 | Music Day |
| Monday July 14 | Positive noticing day |
| Monday July 14 | Consultation evening |
| Tuesday July 15 | New reception children visit nursery at 09.00 |
| Tuesday July 15 | Moving-up session from 10.00 |
| Wednesday July 16 | End of term parties |
| Thursday July 17 | PE Day |
| Thursday July 17 | Leavers' Disco and Party etc. |
| Friday July 18 | Last Day of Term |

Lunch Menu – May 19 to May 23

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| Monday May 19 | Omega 3 Fish Fingers served with Oven Chips | Gluten Free Fish Fingers served with Oven Chips |
| | Cheese and Onion Pie served with Oven Chips | |
| | Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps | Vegetables of the Day |
| | Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts | Peaches and Ice Cream |
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| Tuesday May 20 | Pork Sausage served with Mashed Potato and Gravy | Vegetarian Sausage served with Mashed Potato and Vegetarian Gravy |
| | Gluten Free Sausage served with Mashed Potato and Gravy | Pasta Fusili in a Creamy Tomato Sauce |
| | Vegetables of the Day | Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps |
| | Decorated Orange and Carrot Cake | Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts |
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| Wednesday May 21 | Chicken Roast and Gravy | Quorn Roast and Gravy |
| | Gluten Free Roast and Gravy | Macaroni Cheese |
| | Vegetables of the Day | Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps |
| | Chocolate and Vanilla Cookies | Cheese and Crackers |

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| | | Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts |
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| Thursday May 22 | Meat and Potato Pie with Gravy | Gluten Free Meat and Potato Pie with Gravy |
| | Cheese and Tomato Pasta | |
| | Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps | Vegetables of the Day |
| | Decorated Jelly | Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts |
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| Friday March 23 | Chicken Nuggets served with Curly Fries | Vegetarian Nuggets served with Curly Fries |
| | Margarita Pizza served with Curly Fries | Gluten Free and Dairy Free Pizza served with Curly Fries |
| | Vegetables of the Day | Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps |
| | Raspberry Buns | Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts |

Here's wishing you a great weekend.

MIKE BEALE