

A Weekend Update from Holland Moor- February 13 2026



Welcome and some technical information

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It's hard to believe another half term has flown by and that we are already halfway through the academic year — time really does move quickly when so much is happening! Our four Valentine's discos were a tremendous success: brilliantly attended, full of energy and excitement, and a wonderful opportunity for everyone to celebrate together. The atmosphere was fantastic from start to finish. You can also read more below about the incredible Young Voices experience — another real highlight. When we return after the break, there is plenty to anticipate. Consultation Evening will offer a valuable chance to connect and reflect on progress, Comic Relief will bring fun and fundraising together in true community spirit, and a whole host of Easter-themed events and activities will round off the term in style. There's so much to look forward to — the momentum certainly isn't slowing down!

Attendance



Our overall attendance this week was 92% with rather too many children starting their half-term break early.

Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week



It was fantastic to be in class with 3T and some of 4C on Wednesday morning as we joined a live lesson from the Royal Opera House! We learned about the fascinating history of opera, explored the art of set design, and listened to excerpts from operas of every conceivable style. We discovered how the orchestra works together in the pit, admired the incredible detail of

the costumes, and gained a real insight into what makes an opera production so special. Best of all, we had the amazing opportunity to become part of an opera chorus ourselves, singing opera parts set in a beautiful mid-European marketplace. What an unforgettable experience!

Class of the Week – This Week - Class 4J



Class 4J have had an absolutely unforgettable week filled with energy, creativity and determination. Their PE lesson was truly brilliant, as they embraced the learning power of cooperation through partner work and working in threes, confidently incorporating the gymnastic equipment into their routines. The children performed in canon, travelling over and under apparatus with growing control and imagination, and thoughtfully included a turn and a pose within their team sequences. In English, they produced fantastic pieces of writing inspired by the Greek mythology story of Orpheus and Eurydice, a fabulous tale exploring the power of love, and their descriptions and emotional depth were impressive. In maths, they have been working incredibly hard to learn their times tables and are showing real commitment and progress. The highlight of the week was Thursday's trip to the Manchester Co-op Arena for the Young Voices concert. It was truly spectacular. The children sang their hearts out and thoroughly enjoyed every moment of the thrilling experience. What a wonderful week it has been for Class 4J.

KS1- Years 1 and 2



KS1 have had a fantastic week! Pancake Day arrived a little early, and everyone had a wonderful time watching the pancakes being flipped before enjoying tasting them – I'm told they were delicious! The classes rounded off the week with a vibrant celebration of Chinese New Year. Classes were a sea of red and yellow as the children discovered fascinating facts about China, created their own Chinese dragons, and came together in the hall for a spectacular giant dragon procession. What a brilliant way to end the half term!

Our KS2 Ninja Words of the Week for Week Beginning February 23



Our words flinch, tentative, accumulate, elaborate and lousy

I flinch at the lousy plan, but I make a tentative start, accumulate ideas and elaborate them into something better.

Reception Year Words of the Week for Week Beginning February 23

Vocabulary

Our words are seed, root, plant, stem and grow

When you plant a seed, it grows a root and a stem, and soon the plant begins to grow.

Sports at Holland Moor



Holland Moor Primary School proudly took part in the West Lancashire Sports Hall Athletics competition and delivered an outstanding performance. The team demonstrated excellent determination, teamwork, and sportsmanship throughout the event. Competing against other schools from across West Lancashire, Holland Moor pupils showed great skill in a variety of track and field activities, including sprints, relays, standing long jump, speed bounce, and throwing events.



Friday February 13	School closes for half-term
Monday February 23	School reopens
Friday March 27	School Closes for Easter
Tuesday April 14	First day of Summer term
Monday May 04	School closed for Bank Holiday
Monday May 11	Year 6 SATs week
Monday May 18	PGL Week
Friday May 22	School closes for half-term
Monday June 01	School reopens
Thursday July 16	School closes for Summer holidays

Lunch Menu – February 23 to February 27

Monday February 23	Chicken Tikka Masala served with Rice and Naan Bread	Cheesie Beans on Toast
	Gluten Free Cheesie Beans on Toast	
	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	Vegetables of the Day
	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts	Syrup Sponge and Custard
Tuesday February 24	Baked Pork Sausages served with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Vegetarian Sausages served with Mashed Potato and Vegetarian Gravy

	Gluten Free Sausages served with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Ravioli served in a Delicious Tomato Sauce
	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Decorated Jelly and Peaches	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts
Wednesday February 25	Fish Fingers served with Oven Chips	Salmon Fishcakes served with Oven Chips
	Cheese and Onion Pie served with Oven Chips	Gluten Free Fish Fingers served with Oven Chips
	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Iced Sponge Cake	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts
Thursday February 26	Beef Scouse served with Crusty Bread	Vegetarian Scouse served with Crusty Bread
	Margarita Pizza served with Savoury Rice and Salad or Coleslaw	Gluten Free Scouse served with Crusty Bread
	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	Vegetables of the Day
	Strawberry Mousse	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts
Friday February 27	Chicken Pie served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Spaghetti in a Tasty Neapolitan Sauce
	Gluten Free Pasta in a Tasty Neapolitan Sauce	
	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Shortbread Biscuits	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts

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Wishing everyone a peaceful and rewarding half-term break