

## A Weekend Update from Holland Moor- March 06 2026



### Welcome and some technical information

Welcome to Newsletter - number 25 of the current school year. All previous newsletters can be found on our school website [www.holland.lancsnfl.ac.uk](http://www.holland.lancsnfl.ac.uk)

### A Message from Our Sponsor



I absolutely loved celebrating World Book Day with everyone — what a fantastic day it was! The costumes were incredible: so colourful, creative and impressively accurate to the chosen books. It was wonderful to see such a wide range of characters brought to life, and the excitement around reading was clear in every classroom. The activities taking place throughout the day were engaging and thoughtfully planned, really celebrating the joy and importance of books. A huge thank you to all families for your support with costumes and preparation — it truly made the day extra special. What a brilliant celebration of reading across the whole school!

### Attendance



Our overall attendance this week was a very reasonable 95%

### School Nurse Drop-In



On Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March, 9.00 - 10.00 all parents and carers have the opportunity once again to drop in to chat with the school nurse. It was a huge success last month with parents coming with some good discussions covering a whole array of different questions and worries including sleep difficulties, eating/diet worries and parenting support to name but a few.

### Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week

## HIGHLIGHT OF THE WEEK

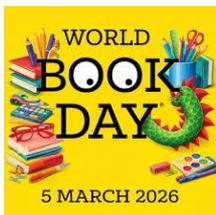
It was such a pleasure to be in Class 1E on Wednesday morning, watching the children practise their reading fluency with such focus and enthusiasm! They were fantastic at echo reading and sequenced reading, showing real confidence as they read aloud together. I was especially impressed by the way they articulated punctuation using actions for each punctuation mark — bringing the text to life with expression and meaning. This approach not only builds fluency and confidence, but also deepens comprehension, helping children to truly understand what they are reading. A brilliant session — well done, Class 1E!

### **Class of the Week – Class 4C**



Class 4C have had a fantastic week packed with exciting learning and creative challenges. In science, the class learned about sedimentary rocks and how they are formed over time through layers of sediment being pressed together. The children then became young geologists, carefully observing different rock samples using magnifying glasses. They looked closely at the textures, colours and layers they could see and used brilliant descriptive language to record their observations. Music lessons were equally lively this week. The children listened to a selection of fanfare music, discussing how the bold sounds are often used to announce important events. Inspired by what they heard, the class worked together to compose and perform their own short fanfares, showing creativity and confidence as they experimented with rhythm and sound. The highlight of the week was celebrating World Book Day with a range of activities inspired by the 12 Labours of Hercules. The children learned about the famous myth before taking on their own set of “labours.” These included teamwork challenges such as passing a hoop all the way around a circle without breaking the chain, building the tallest tower they could, using only paper, and practising their speaking skills by learning and confidently reciting a poem.

### **World Book Day at Holland Moor**



Nursery 1 had an exciting day exploring rhymes and stories in a variety of formats. The children enthusiastically acted out stories and added their own musical touches, bringing the tales to life. The creativity and engagement were wonderful to see, and the fantastic costumes added an extra layer of fun and imagination.

Nursery 2 joined in the celebration by coming dressed as characters from their favourite books and nursery rhymes. The children shared stories inspired by their costumes. The costumes were full of personality, and the joy of bringing their characters to life was evident throughout the day.

The children in our reception classes had a wonderful time celebrating World Book Day and enjoyed a range of exciting activities inspired by the story *The Day the Crayons Made Friends*. After listening carefully to the story, the children talked together about what friendship means and how we can be kind and supportive to one another. They then used their creativity to design their own unique crayon characters, thinking about colours, patterns and personalities. The fun continued with a colour hunt outside, where the children searched for and identified different colours in their environment. To finish the day, the children took part in a special activity where they melted pieces of old crayons to create their own bright, colourful crayons.

Years 1 and 2 had a wonderful time celebrating World Book Day! The children fully embraced the theme of dressing up as animals, and we saw some amazing costumes. During the day, the children enjoyed reading *The Barnabus Project* and took part in creative activities inspired by the story. They designed their own imaginative “misfit” creatures, showing fantastic creativity and individuality. Through the story and activities, the children also explored an important message: that no matter how we look or how different we may seem, everyone is special and perfect in their own way.

For World Book Day, Years 3 and 4 were transported to the thrilling world of Greek mythology through *Mythologica* by Stephen P. Kershaw and Victoria Topping. The children explored the legendary Twelve Labours of Heracles and created detailed sketch notes to capture his adventures. Inspired by the myths, they set brand-new challenges for Heracles and designed their own imaginative mythological creatures for him to defeat. Throughout the day, pupils tackled twelve exciting challenges of their own, including building towers and bridges, completing fitness and team-work challenges, performing a one-minute mythological play, solving riddles and taking part in a book-themed scavenger hunt.

The Year 5 and 6 children celebrated by taking part in a variety of activities. While the Year 6s were swimming, the Year 5s took part in an online poetry session which enabled them to develop and use their poetic skills. After returning from Nye Bevan, the Year 6 children created a story board based on the class novel 'Hugo Cabret' and then played a game where they acted out a scene from the book in groups and the rest of the class had to guess which part it was. All children had a great day!

## **Comic Relief – Red Nose Day at Holland Moor – March 20<sup>th</sup>**



We're looking ahead to another fantastic event in our school calendar! On Friday 20th March, we're excited to come together to mark Comic Relief Day. The theme this year is “Wear as Much Red as You Can”, so start planning those bright, bold outfits — from tops and tights to hats and hair accessories, we can't wait to see a sea of red across the school! The day promises to be full of energy, laughter and meaningful moments, with fun-filled classroom activities and special assemblies designed to celebrate the spirit of giving and community. It's always such a joyful occasion and a wonderful opportunity for us to make a difference while having lots of fun together. Keep an eye out for further details coming soon — it's set to be a brilliant day!

## **Our KS2 Ninja Words of the Week for Week Beginning March 09**



Our words are intimidate, diverse, tolerant, drastic and harsh

## Reception Year Words of the Week for Week Beginning March 09

### Vocabulary

Our words are farm, farmer, tractor, wheat and flour.

### Sports at Holland Moor



Holland Moor Primary School recently took two teams to the recent Year 3/4 football competition. Both teams represented the school with great effort, teamwork, and sportsmanship throughout the tournament. The players showed excellent determination in every match, giving their best from the first whistle to the last. Their positive attitude, commitment, and support for one another truly reflected the values of the school. Every player contributed, whether through strong defending, creative passing, energetic running, or encouraging their teammates. A big well done to all the children who took part.



Wednesday March 18	Careers Day in our Reception Classes
Friday March 20	HM celebrates Comic Relief
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 – March 09 to March 13

Monday March 09	Chicken Burger in a Bap served with Herby Potatoes	Gluten Free Chicken Burger in a Bap served with Herby Potatoes
	Macaroni Cheese served with Garlic Bread	
	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	Vegetables of the Day
	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts	Iced Sponge Cake

Tuesday March 10	Meat and Potato Pie with Gravy	Gluten Free Meat and Potato Pie with Gravy
	Cheese Calzone served with Savoury Rice	Gluten Free Pizza served with Savoury Rice
	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Custard Creams	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts
Wednesday March 11	Baked Fish served with Oven Chips.	Vegetable Nuggets served with Oven Chips
	Gluten Free Fish Fingers served with Oven Chips	Jacket Potato served with Vegetarian Chilli
	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Decorated Jelly and Peaches	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts
Thursday March 12	Chicken Fillet served with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Gluten Free Chicken Fillet served with Mashed Potato and Gravy
	Quorn Fillet served with Mashed Potato and Vegetarian Gravy	Quorn Korma served with Rice
	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	Vegetables of the Day
	Chocolate Sponge Cake and Mint Sauce	Cheese and Crackers Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts
Friday March 13	Pork Sausage Roll served with Jacket Wedges	Gluten Free Pork Sausage Roll served with Jacket Wedges
	Vegetarian Chili served with Noodles and Nachos	
	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Raspberry Buns	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts

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Wishing everyone the best of weekends