A Weekend Update from Holland Moor- November 13 2026

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



This has been another busy and rewarding week in school. Children have taken part in a range of thoughtful Remembrance activities, learning about the importance of reflection, respect and gratitude, while also joining in with our Children in Need celebrations.

We are delighted to share that, thanks to your generosity, we raised **over £390 for Children in Need**. Thank you also to all families for your support and contributions. Together we have made a real difference while creating some wonderful memories for the children.

Attendance



This week's attendance was

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

What a fantastic week it has been in 2M! The children have shown wonderful teamwork, creativity and enthusiasm in everything they have done. They have worked brilliantly together to research endangered animals and have produced some amazing non-chronological reports, full of fascinating facts! In Maths, they have been busy exploring 2D and 3D shapes, using their knowledge of shape properties to name and describe them accurately. They have also shown their artistic talents by creating beautiful tin foil artwork inspired by the artist Jason Messinger, which has made a stunning art display! At playtimes, the children have impressed us with their imaginative and creative games, showing fantastic cooperation and friendship. They have also thoroughly enjoyed working with their partners during our Children in Need activities, particularly during the scavenger book hunt, where their teamwork really shone through! We are incredibly proud of 2M for their kindness, enthusiasm and fantastic attitude to learning. Well done, 2M!

Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week

We have been able to increase staffing levels at lunchtimes slightly this week, which has created more opportunities to engage children in a wider range of activities and play experiences. It has been wonderful to stand back and watch the KS2 playground buzzing with positive activity. At various points this week there have been chasing games, three separate football matches, basketball, bean bag toss challenges, skipping, the ever-popular Puppy Corner and our Hang Out Zone all taking place simultaneously.

Perhaps most pleasing of all has been seeing the children's creativity in action. Given a little equipment and some freedom to explore, they have been inventing their own games, adapting rules and creating new challenges together.

Children in Need



Children in Need: The day began with a Mr Beale assembly which all the children thoroughly enjoyed but the staff who had to perform challenges in front of everyone did not enjoy it as much! In the Junior classes, the children completed a range of activities around the theme of buddying: designing a paper airplane in a group and testing it; a balloon keepy-upy challenge; and back to back drawing were just some of the activities on show.
Year 1 and 2 had a fantastic time supporting Children in Need and raising money for this wonderful cause. This year, our activities were based around the theme 'By the Side of Every Child', celebrating friendship, kindness and supporting one another. The children took part in a range of fun activities, including a book scavenger hunt with partners, a partner reading challenge and making their own friendship bookmarks. It was lovely to see the children working together, sharing books and celebrating the importance of being a good friend!

Anti-Bullying Week



As we move into Anti-Bullying Week, beginning Monday 16th November, children across Holland Moor will continue to explore this important message through a variety of age-appropriate activities. The theme for 2026, **'Break the Silence'**, reminds us that tackling bullying is everyone's responsibility and that speaking out, supporting one another and asking for help are all important steps towards making a difference. Children will have opportunities to think about the importance of friendship, respect and kindness, and to consider how their own behaviour can influence the feelings and experiences of others. We want every child to feel confident that they can talk to someone if something is worrying them and, equally, understand that they have a part to play in looking after those around them.

Remembrance Day



Remembrance: The Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 children learnt about the Army, RAF and Royal Navy. There was a focus on what it would be like to be a member of the armed forces and the sacrifices they have made. During the lesson, the children also gained knowledge about how the Army impacts and benefits communities on a daily basis. In addition to this, the Year 5 and 6 children took part in the National Literacy Trust assembly and observed a two-minute silence at 11am.

As part of our Remembrance Day activities, the children across KS1 have been busy creating some lovely displays. Year 1 made individual poppies which were brought together to create a class wreath, proudly displayed at the front of school. Year 2 created their own butterfly poppies, which you can spot on the windows by the classrooms. These activities provided a lovely opportunity for the children to remember and honour those who have served and sacrificed for others.

Our KS2 Ninja Words of the Week for Week Beginning November 16

VOCABULARY NINJA

This week our words are anticipation, decrease, fatigue, nostalgic and ambidextrous.

Reception Year Words of the Week for Week Beginning November 16

Vocabulary

This week the words are star, decorations, lights, lamp and candle

Sports at Holland Moor

The Holland Moor girls' team recently took part in the West Lancashire Qualifier Tournament, representing the school with pride and enthusiasm. Throughout the competition, the girls showed fantastic teamwork, determination and sportsmanship, working hard in every game and supporting one another along the way. They faced some tough opposition but continued to give their best and demonstrated great commitment throughout the tournament. Their hard work paid off as they achieved an excellent **3rd-place finish** overall. This is a fantastic achievement and a reflection of the girls' teamwork and dedication. Everyone at Holland Moor is extremely proud of how they represented the school. Well done, girls!



Monday November 16	Start of Anti-Bullying Week activities.
Friday November 27	Year 3 to Martin Mere
Wednesday December 02	Year 1 and Year 2 to Peter Pan Pantomime
Monday December 07	Christmas Production –Class 2M
Tuesday December 08	Christmas Production – Class 2O
Wednesday December 09	Christmas Production – Class 1C
Thursday December 10	Christmas Production – Class 1R
Friday December 11	Christmas Production – Class RK
Monday December 14	Christmas Production – Class RN
Tuesday December 15	Christmas Celebration – N2
Tuesday December 15	Christmas Concert
Wednesday December 16	Christmas Dinner
Thursday December 17	Christmas Parties
Thursday December 17	Reception Year to Goldilocks pantomime in Bolton
Friday December 18	Last Day of Term
Friday December 18	Rocksteady Concert at 10am

We'll let you know the date of our Christmas Fair in the next newsletter.

Lunch Menu – November 16 to November 20

Monday November 16	Fish Fingers served with Oven Chips	Salmon Fishcakes served with Oven Chips
	Cheese Pizza served with Oven Chips	Gluten Free Fish Fingers served with Oven Chips
	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	Vegetables of the Day
	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts	Chocolate Crispie Slice

Tuesday November 17	Beef Cottage Pie and Gravy	Macaroni Cheese
	Gluten Free Cottage Pie	
	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Raspberry Buns	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit
Wednesday November 18	Chicken Roast Dinner and Gravy	Quorn Chilli and Egg Noodles with Nachos
	Gluten Free Chicken Roast Dinner and Gravy	
	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Syrup Sponge and Custard	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts
Thursday November 19	Chicken Tikka Masala and Steamed Rice	Tomato Pasta with optional Vegetarian Cheese
	Gluten Free Tomato Pasta	
	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	Vegetables of the Day
	Decorated Orange and Carrot Cake	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts
Friday November 20	Beefburger in a Bun served with Tortilla Chips	Vegetarian Burger in a Bun served with Tortilla Chips
	Vegetable Fried Rice	Gluten Free Burger served with Tortilla Chips
	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Peaches and Ice Cream	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts

LAST WORD

Wishing all our families a happy and fulfilling weekend.