A Weekend Update from Holland Moor- October 09 2026

Welcome and some technical information

Welcome to Newsletter - number 07 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



One of the things I love most about being a headteacher is that no two days are ever the same. On any given day, I might be visiting classrooms, meeting with parents, supporting staff, working with governors or, as has been the case recently, trying to reunite lost items of clothing with their rightful owners!

A little bit of my own research revealed that, of the 13 jumpers I recently tried to return to their owners, only two still had names clearly visible in them. I suspect what often happens is that items start off named, but after countless washes the writing gradually fades and becomes impossible to read.

You can help us enormously by taking a few moments to check that all items of clothing, particularly jumpers, cardigans, PE kits and coats, are clearly named. Doing so makes it much easier for us to return lost property quickly and ensures that children are reunited with their belongings as soon as possible.

Apology Time

By the time you read this, you **should** have received both the link to book your Parents' Consultation Evening appointments and the consent form for the forthcoming flu vaccination programme. Thank you for your patience while we worked through some technical issues following a recent system update. Unfortunately, this caused delays to a number of our administrative processes.

I would also like to clarify arrangements for the flu vaccinations. The vaccination team has now confirmed that consent forms are being issued to families. However, I guarantee that **no child will receive a flu vaccination unless the vaccination team has received the appropriate parental consent**.

To support this process, I will be liaising directly with the vaccination team on Monday and helping to ensure that children are only collected from classes where the necessary consent has been received and confirmed. Thank you for your understanding. We appreciate your cooperation and are pleased that both systems are now up and running again. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Attendance



This week's attendance was 95%

Mr Beale's Highlight of the Week



On Thursday, the weather was certainly much chillier, but that did not seem to bother our Nursery 2 children in the slightest! I spent some time in their extensive outdoor area, watching them play, learning alongside them and joining in with some of their activities. It was wonderful to see such high levels of engagement, imagination and collaboration as the children explored the environment. We have recently been allocated additional funding to further enhance our Early Years outdoor provision, so part of my time was spent considering how best to invest this funding to enrich the children's experiences even further. There are already some exciting ideas being discussed, all aimed at creating even more opportunities for exploration, creativity, physical development and learning through play.

Class of the Week. This week it's Class 4C



We've had another brilliant week packed full of learning, creativity and a little bit of singing and dancing!

In Science, the children have been exploring food chains and are becoming experts at explaining how the Sun provides the energy that starts each chain. They can confidently identify producers and consumers – our very own budding scientists!

In English, the children have produced some fantastic work inspired by our focus novel, *Winter's Child* by Angela McAllister. Their enthusiasm and creativity have really shone through!

Meanwhile, in Maths, we've been exploring 2D shapes. The children are now impressively knowledgeable when discussing different types of lines, angles and lines of symmetry. Who knew shapes could be so exciting?!

Of course, our weekly swimming sessions have been a highlight, but the biggest buzz this week came from the introduction of the songs and actions for this year's Young Voices **concert**! Class 4C are already getting into the spirit, and there's plenty of enthusiasm (and a fair bit of singing!) as we begin preparing for what promises to be a fantastic experience.

Our KS2 Ninja Words of the Week for Week Beginning October 12

This week our words are alienate, audacious, loathe, vile and haul

Reception Year Words of the Week for Week Beginning October 05

Vocabulary

This week the words are hibernate, nest, fur and den

Sports at Holland Moor

The girls' football team at Holland Moor Primary School are celebrating a fantastic achievement after winning the SHARES football competition and securing their place in the Lancashire Finals in Fleetwood.

The team showed great determination and teamwork throughout the competition, demonstrating the skills and commitment they have developed through their hard work and training. Their success is a proud moment for the school and reflects the effort and enthusiasm the girls have put into representing Holland Moor.

Winning the competition means the team will now have the exciting opportunity to travel to Fleetwood to compete against other schools in the Lancashire Finals. This is a fantastic achievement and a chance for the girls to showcase their talent on an even bigger stage.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday October 12	Flu Vaccinations
Tuesday October 13	Consultation Evening
Wednesday October 14	Consultation Evening
Tuesday October 20	Halloween Disco Year 1 and Year 2 classes from 4 to 5
Wednesday October 21	Halloween Disco Reception classes from 4 to 5
Thursday October 22	Halloween Discos KS2a 415 to 530 and KS2b 545 to 7
Friday October 23	School closes for half-term
Wednesday November 11	Remembrance Day Activities

Friday November 20	Children in Need Celebrations
Wednesday December 02	Year 1 and Year 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
Friday December 18	Last Day of Term
Friday December 18	Rocksteady Concert at 10am

Lunch Menu – October 12 to October 16

Monday October 12	Baked Fish served with Oven Chips	Cheese Paninis served with Oven Chips
	Gluten Free Fish Fingers served with Oven Chips	
	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Decorated Chocolate Sponge Cake	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts
Tuesday October 13	Pork Meatballs served with a creamy tomato sauce	Gluten Free Meatballs served with a creamy tomato sauce
	Quorn Tikka Masala served with steamed rice	
	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Syrup Cookies	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts
Wednesday October 14	Hot Dogs/Veggie Hot Dogs/Gluten Free Hot Dogs served with Tortilla Chips and Coleslaw	Vegetable Brunch
	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Flaked Macaroons	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts

Thursday October 15	Chicken Roast served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Gluten Free Roast served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy
	Cheese Whirls	
	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps	Vegetables of the Day
	Jelly and Fruit	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts
Friday October 16	Beef Spaghetti Bolognese	Gluten Free Bolognese
	Sweet and Sour Quorn served with Noodles	
	Vegetables of the Day	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Wholemeal Sandwiches and Wraps
	Assorted Scones	Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Assorted Jellies Assorted Yoghurts

LAST WORD

Wishing all our families a very happy weekend.