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(Acting) Head's Highlights!

It has been another busy and exciting week at Holme Slack!

Our extra-curricular clubs have now started, and it has been wonderful to see so many children taking part. We are proud to offer 15 different clubs, covering everything from sports, art and music to LEGO, Eco Warriors and even origami. If your child is not currently attending a club and would like to, please contact the school office as there are still spaces available in most of the clubs.

A huge thank you must go to our staff who generously give up their lunchtimes and time after school to run these activities. Their commitment provides fantastic opportunities for our children and is greatly appreciated by both pupils and parents.

We also had some very special visitors on Tuesday when Mr Pow brought in his three tortoises. One adventurous tortoise even enjoyed a stroll around the school with me in the afternoon, visiting classrooms and delighting children and staff alike!

Looking ahead, we are very much looking forward to welcoming visitors to the first of our Open Afternoons next week. If you know any families looking for a school or nursery place, please help us spread the word and encourage them to come along and see what makes Holme Slack such a special place to learn and grow.

Thank you for your support,

Miss Stocks
Acting Headteacher

CHILDREN'S ACHIEVEMENTS



A huge congratulations to Jaxon, who was crowned Young Angler of the Year for the whole of the UK at the annual Pike Anglers Club Convention in Daventry on 12th September.

This prestigious national award recognises Jaxon's dedication, skill and passion for angling, making it an incredible achievement. We are immensely proud of all that he has accomplished and are delighted to celebrate his success with our school community.

A special well done must also go to Jaxon's family, whose encouragement, support and commitment have helped him pursue and excel in his hobby. Achievements like this are often a real team effort, and it is wonderful to see such support behind a young person following their passion. Well done, Jaxon and family – what a fantastic achievement! 🏆🐟🌟👏

UPCOMING EVENTS

Come and see first-hand what makes Holme Slack such a special place to learn and grow.

Visitors will have the opportunity to explore our new Nursery and EYFS Unit, discover our beautiful woodland Forest School and outdoor learning spaces, meet our friendly staff and children, and learn more about our nurturing, inclusive approach to education.

From specialist teaching and SEND provision to exciting extra-curricular opportunities, there is so much to see and celebrate at Holme Slack.

Please help us spread the word by sharing our flyer with friends, family and neighbours who may be looking for the right school for their child.

Come and discover Preston's best-kept secret! 🌱🏡👨👩👧👦



CLASS FOCUS - YEAR 1

Year 1 have enjoyed a fun-filled week, and it's been easy to see just how much they've enjoyed themselves from all of the smiling faces around the classroom!

The children took part in their first Forest School session, embracing the outdoors with enthusiasm and curiosity. In Art, they created wonderful self-portraits, proudly capturing their own big, happy smiles.

A highlight of the week was a very special visit from Nana from the story 'Last Stop on Market Street'. The children loved meeting her and asking lots of thoughtful questions about CJ, the bus journey and the story itself. Their curiosity and excitement made the visit a memorable experience for everyone.

To top off a fantastic week, Year 1 were also crowned our attendance winners for the second week in a row. What an amazing achievement! Well done, Year 1. Keep smiling and keep up the fantastic work! 😊 🎉



CAMPBELL'S CORNER CATCH UP

This is our photo of the week.

A special Forest School moment for Year 2 - choosing their class memory stick. Mrs Lenz and the children will take it on all of their

Forest School adventures, adding ribbons throughout the year to celebrate the special memories and achievements they make together. 🌿✨





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OUR WEEKLY SUPERSTARS

	Core Value Award	Wonderful Writer Award	Marvellous Mathematician Award	Sports Award
Reception				
Year 1	Elsie	Louie	Bethany	Wasif
Year 2	Kiyana	Aleeha	Lincoln	Elyse
Year 3	Fatima	Jaafar	Larna	Yahya
Year 4	Ivy-Rose B	Yasin	Jorja	Brooke
Year 5	Mia S	Accedi	Omar	Mustafa A
Year 6	Noor	Joan	Amber	Hamad



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**WHOLE
SCHOOL
ATTENDANCE
TARGET - 95%**

**CURRENT =
95.1%**

ATTENDANCE



Miss Stocks' and Mr
Crompton's Attendance
Superstar this week is:

Teddy

Well Done!

ATTENDANCE LEAGUE TABLE

1	YEAR 1	14
2	YEAR 5	11
3	YEAR 4	9
4	YEAR 2	8
5	RECEPTION	6
5	YEAR 3	5
6	YEAR 6	3



This week's
attendance winners
are
Year 1 with 99.4 %

Well done!



Every Day Wheel Winners
KS1 - Tommy
KS2 - Gracie



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

22nd Sept - Open Afternoon for prospective parents
29th Sept - Year 5/6 Football Tournament
30th Sept - KS2 Harvest Assembly - Parents Welcome
October - Black History Month
1st - 2nd Oct - Y5 Bikeability
5th Oct - School Photos - Individuals and Siblings
7th - 9th Oct - Year 6 Residential to Robin Wood
9th Oct - World Mental Health Day - Wear Yellow
20th Oct - Year 5/6 Hockey Tournament
21st Oct - Halloween Disco
23rd Oct - SCHOOL CLOSED - INSET DAY
26th - 30th Oct - SCHOOL CLOSED - HALF TERM



IN OTHER NEWS



Flu vaccine

The flu vaccine helps protect against flu, which can be a serious or life-threatening illness. It's offered on the NHS every year in autumn or winter to people at higher risk of getting seriously ill from flu.

Who should have the flu vaccine

The flu vaccine is recommended for people at higher risk of getting seriously ill from flu.

It's offered on the NHS every year in autumn or winter.

You can get the free NHS flu vaccine if you:

- are aged 65 or over (including those who will be 65 by 31 March 2027)
- are aged 18 to 64 and have certain long-term health conditions
- are pregnant
- live in a care home
- are the main carer for an older or disabled person, or receive a carer's allowance
- live with someone who has a weakened immune system
- are experiencing homelessness or staying in a homeless hostel or night shelter

Frontline health and social care workers can also get a flu vaccine through their employer.

Click on the link below to book an appointment:

<https://www.nhs.uk/book-a-flu-vaccination/proxy-booking-question>

[Protect yourself from flu, have the flu vaccine](#) - Easy Read Guide