



# ALTHAM ST JAMES' CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers

**Stars of the week this week - Theo L, Alfie A, Lyla, Felicity**

**Football - Esme V**

**Yoga - Phoebe W**

**Multi-sports -Dylan**

**Next week menus is choice 1**

**PARKING REMINDER** - Please ensure anyone who picks up or drops off children at school is also told about this message.

We have been made aware of parents/carers parking on the zig-zags outside the ambulance station, sometimes overhanging the entrance & exit. Zig-zags must not be parked on, or used to drop off, they are there for a reason, to ensure the safety of your children. Thank you.

**PE Kits** - Please ensure your child has an indoor PE kit in school at all times.

**As all pupils do PE on a Friday, please ensure any jewellery is removed that day.**

**Breakfast & After School Clubs balances.**

We know it is a difficult time of year with all the bills coming in from Christmas, but we have a few large balances outstanding on ParentPay for clubs. As we have said before, the club staff are not on contracts and we need payments to be kept up to date in order to pay the salaries. Wherever possible, please keep outstanding balances to a minimum amount. Thank you.

**Year 6** - School nurse letters for Year 6 pupils have been sent home this week, if you did not received one please ask at the school office. Thank you.

### Sports clubs

**Monday** - Mindfulness & yoga until 4:30pm (juniors only)

**Tuesday** - Football Years 4-6 till 4:30pm

**Wednesday** - Multisport Years 3-6 until 4:30pm (indoors run by Mrs Felix).

**Thursday** - Football until 4:30pm (Years 2/3)

**Friday** - Multi sports (Kick boxing) - until 4:30pm (juniors only)

**Tuesday/Wednesday lunch** - Netball with Miss McCormack (juniors only)

**At the moment due to the weather the clubs are being held inside.**



**UNIFORM** - Whittakers supply our uniform, it is available at the store inside Oswaldtwistle Mills. If you have any queries or want to check before you travel contact details are tel. 01254 871025 or email [Accrington-orders@whittakersschoolwear.co.uk](mailto:Accrington-orders@whittakersschoolwear.co.uk)

**Pre loved uniform** - Mrs Briggs runs a Facebook page for this, [Altham St James uniform secondhand | Groups | Facebook](#)

**OUR SCHOOL LOTTERY** - If you have not yet bought your ticket, or your debit card payment has finished, the link to register is <http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/altham-st-james-c-of-e-primary-school>

If you have not yet joined please support us - **for just £4.34 per month (direct debit) you have a chance of winning our weekly prize of approximately £20 (dependant on number of supporters) and the chance to win a national weekly prize of £25000 every week.**

Our school lottery is open to everyone so please encourage your family and friends to join. This has been a fantastic fundraiser for our school and since the launch has now raised **£8,308.40**.

#### **Dates for your diary .....**

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January am** - Open the Book team in for assembly, please stay if you are able to.  
**pm** - Angel Service after school, children to be accompanied by an adult.

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February** - Possible guitar performance at the end of the day. (More info to follow)

**School closes for February half term.**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February** - School reopens

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> February** - Open the Book team in for assembly

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March** - School photos.

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March am** - Lent Services start, children will go directly to Church (more info to follow)

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March** - Parents evening, more info nearer the time.

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March** - school closes (normal time) for the Easter break

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April** - School reopens.

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April** - Swimming starts at Accrington Academy for Years 3-6

**Have a lovely weekend.**

**Mrs Woods**

**Headteacher**