



# ALTHAM ST JAMES' CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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13<sup>th</sup> December 2024

## NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Stars of the week** - Owain, Millie W, Alfie C, Courtney, Dexter, Lola, Fletcher, Ted.

**Football** - Roman Otis

**Next week** - Week 3 meal choices.

**Christmas Breakfast with Santa Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December** - This will be in school time at 9am, the cost for this will be £3.50. Please let us know if this is a problem. Payment by ParentPay please; this is showing on ParentPay now.

There will be a visit from Santa and all children will receive a gift. Food will include waffles, scotch pancakes, toast, crumpets, choc chip muffins, apple & orange juice.

**Plays** - Thank you to all who supported the children in the plays this week, what fantastic little performers we have, and to everyone who bought raffle tickets which raised £339 for school funds. Also to all who donated to Church towards the cost of heating and lighting costs, at the junior plays. We are grateful for the support our parents always give us.

**Christmas Crafts Workshops** - Miss Baxendale is running the second Christmas Craft workshops on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December until 4:30pm for the junior pupils and their infant siblings who have applied for a place. The cost for this is £2 per child and will be set up on ParentPay.

**Christmas shopping** - If you are doing any Christmas shopping on-line, please go through the following link <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/astjprimary/> this will give a small donation to our school funds at no extra cost to you!

**School Admissions 2025** - Lancashire County Council's school admissions for children starting primary school in September 2025 is now open.

Parents can apply online at [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools) - it is quick and easy!

**Monday 15 January 2025 for primary applicants.**

### Sports clubs

**Monday** - Dance & Performing Arts until 4.30pm. (Last lesson Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December))

**Tuesday** - Football Years 2/3 until 4:30pm and Yrs. 4/5/6 until 5pm. (Starts again on 7<sup>th</sup> January)

**Thursday** - Multi Sports until 4:30pm - (starts again on 9<sup>th</sup> January)



**OUR SCHOOL LOTTERY** - A big thank you to all who support this for our school. 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> 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 £25,000 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 **£9936.00**

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

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December - Tonight** - 6:30pm Light switch on at the Memorial Garden on Burnley Road

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December** - Bishop Philip will be taking the service at Altham Church.

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas Dinner Day

& Christmas Jumper Day (donations to Save the Children)

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December** - Junior & their infant siblings Christmas Craft workshop till 4:30pm

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December** - Whole school to see Jack & the Beanstalk at Blackburn Empire Theatre.

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December** - non uniform party day

- Christmas Breakfast with Santa

- Christmas Party Lunch

School will close at 1:15pm.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs CA Woods  
Headteacher