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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers

Stars of the week - Finnegan, Harry, Owain, Paige, Phoebe W, Dylan

Prayer & Praise award - Frederick F

Multi-Sports - Nancy, Alfie C

Football - Elbie, Thomas C

Our new Sports Leaders - Dylan, Maxwell, Ted, Phoebe W, Lyla O, Thomas C, Alfie L, Jensen, Fletcher

Next week will be week 1 for meals.

Cauliflower Cards - Pupils are designing their Christmas cards and these should have all been sent home by now.

Please place your order online, instructions will be on the paperwork that comes home. Once ordered, **please remember to return the artwork to school, as we need to send all the designs to the company for printing.**

The last day to return your artwork to school once you have placed the order is Friday 26th September. Thank you.

Card/Wrapping paper- are you aware we have some good quality cards and wrapping paper on sale in our school reception area. All price £1 each. Money raised from any sales will go to School Funds.

Gardening Club - Now that we are coming into winter, Mrs Lunniss has asked if anyone has any leftover garden items that could be donated to school and saved for when Garden Club starts over again.

Flu Immunisations - will take place on Monday 20th October. Letters have been sent home.

The link to consent and give your child's details is

<https://nhsImms.azurewebsites.net/session/421db419>

This link will be live until 13 October. If the link does not work, please copy and paste into your browser

School Admissions 2026 - Lancashire County Council's school admissions for children starting primary school or moving to secondary school in September 2026 is now open.

Parents can apply online at **www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools** - it is quick and easy!

The national closing dates for applications are:



Friday 31 October 2025 for secondary applicants

Thursday 15 January 2026 for primary applicants

Open Evenings for Year 6 pupils

Wednesday 24th September - Accrington Academy 5-8pm

Thursday 25 September 2025 - The Hollins

Thursday 25 September 2025 - Ribblesdale 4:30 - 7:30pm

Tuesday 30th September - St Christopher's 6-8 pm.

Wednesday 1st October - Hyndburn Academy 6-8 pm

Sports clubs Year 2 and above

Monday - Dance & Performing Arts until 4.30pm.

Tuesday - Football until 4:30pm.

Thursday - Multi Sports until 4:30pm

Dates for your diary -

Wednesday 24th September - 3:30-4:30 Angel Service, after school. An adult must accompany all children.

Thursday 25 September - Open the Book team in for morning assembly, please stay and watch if you are able to.

Thursday 9th October - Harvest Service in church, more information to follow.

Monday 20th October - Flu immunisations, letters have been sent home.

Monday 20th October - 3:30pm - 6pm. Parents Evening, more information to follow.

Friday 24th October - Coming soon - Sponsored walk/run round the track, more information to follow. **School closes for half term.**

Friday 31st October - Closing date for secondary applications.

Monday 3rd November - School reopens.

Wednesday 12th November - Sammy bag collection. Please save your preloved clothing, bedding, towels, unwanted gifts etc. to raise money for school and leukaemia & myeloma research. Collection bags will be sent home soon.

UNIFORM - Whittaker's 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

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

Your School Lottery - If you have not yet joined please support us see

www.yourschoollottery.co.uk - for just £5.00 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 **£11028.00**

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs CA Woods
Headteacher