



# ALTHAM ST JAMES' CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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15<sup>th</sup> March 2024

## NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers

**Stars of the week this week - Theo L, Jack L, Phoebe S, Jack H**

**Football - Maxwell      Yoga - Holly S      Multi skills - Thomas C**

**Next weeks menu - week 3 - Please note the new menu has been sent home this week, if you have not yet completed this, please do so and send back into school on Monday. The new menu will start with week 1 choices on 15<sup>th</sup> April.**

**Easter Lunch -** All infants will receive a free lunch that day, the option will be either Roast Turkey dinner, quorn fillet dinner or mac & cheese pasta bake. Forms have been sent home for juniors to order, if they do not normally have a school lunch. Please let Mrs Kenyon know by Monday if your child does not normally have a school dinner and would like to stay for Easter lunch.

**Parents Evening -** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March. There will be no after school sports on that evening but paid after school is available. Letters have been sent home this week for you to request appointment times, please return the slip asap. Thank you.

**ParentPay balances -** as we are fast approaching the financial year end, wherever possible, please ensure all outstanding ParentPay balances are paid up to date. Thank you.

**Sponser A Tile Appeal -** Our lovely village church needs a partial new roof. This is coming in at a cost of £54000. Mr Moore has been working very hard applying for grants and has so far had confirmed grants of £20000, they just need to find the remaining £34000!

To further raise funds, church are asking anyone if they would like to support the Sponser a Tile appeal. For a donation of £25 your name will be recorded on a list of sponsors and your name or the name of someone you wish to be remembered will be written on the underside of one of the stone roof tiles.

Mrs Kenyon has some forms in the school office if you are able to help with this appeal.

**Lent Services -** The Lent service in Church will be next Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March, when Year 5-6 will lead the service. Please take your child directly to church where a member of staff will be at the church gate from 8:50am.

Our final Lent Service will be held in school on the morning of 28<sup>th</sup> March.  
Please stay and watch these services if you are able to.



### Sports clubs

**Monday** - Mindfulness & yoga until 4:30pm - **Cancelled on 25<sup>th</sup> March due to Parents Evening.**

**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)

**As the weather is slowly improving where ever possible these clubs will be held outside, please ensure your child has suitable clothing.**

**PLEASE ENSURE PUPILS HAVE A PE KIT IN SCHOOL AT ALL TIMES** (this will also be used if they have a fall and need a change of clothes).

**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** - 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 **£8,916.40**

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

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March am** - Lent Services in Church, service led by Year 5-6 pupils.

**3:15 pm** - Guitar performance.

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March** - Parents evening, letters have been sent home this week

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March** - Easter Lunch.

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March** - Open the Book Team in for assembly, please stay and watch if you are able to.

**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

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May** - Sports Day from 1:15pm

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Woods

Headteacher