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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

Stars of the week - Noah, Isabelle V, Freddie, Jesse, Paige, Alfie L, All Year 6

Prayer and Praise - Isabelle V

Swimming - Lola, Lyla, Hendrix

Dance - Betsy S

Football - Sam W

The cost of paid school meals for junior pupils is now £3 per day (£15 per week).

Next week will be week 2 on the new menu.

May half term raffle tickets now available - £1 per strip prizes include £20 Kahaani voucher, bottle of red wine, Fuzzy Duck gift set, tin of marbles and a football moneybox.

All proceeds will go towards school funds.

Ice Pops - you may have spotted on ParentPay that our annual Ice pop fundraiser has now been set up. From **Monday 18th May**, we will be giving ice pops to children in the afternoon. The **cost is £8**, which is approximately £1 a week up to the end of term. **Please make this payment in full on ParentPay by 15th May**, as I will need to give each class a register of the pupils having an ice pop. If this is a problem, please let us know.

Year 5-6 Bikeability -18th & 19th May - bikes can be left in school whilst this takes place.

Year 6 SATS- well done to all our year 6 for their excellent behaviour and positive attitude.

School Anniversary and leavers service in Church - Sunday 12th July 9:30am - all children are welcome. A letter has been sent out today to Year 6 parents.

Advance notice - Sports day will be held on Wednesday 24th June pm, weather permitting. If we are not able to hold it that day, it will be on Wednesday 1st July.

Nurse drop in - next visit will be Monday 8th June 2:30pm. Please let us know if you are coming in to see her.

Guitar - Two spaces will be available from September on a Wednesday lunchtime. These are available to the juniors only.



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 **£12,055.60**

If you have not yet joined please support us - **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.**

To support us please visit Yourschoollottery.co.uk and search for Altham St James.

Sports clubs Year 2 and above

Monday - Dance & Performing Arts until 4.30pm

Tuesday - Football until 4:30pm.

Thursday - Multi Sports until 4:30pm

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](#)

Dates for your diary -

18th & 19th May - Year 5-6 Bikeability

Thursday 21st May - Open the Book in for assembly, please stay and watch if you are able to.

Friday 22nd May - School Closes for half term and reopens on Wednesday 3rd June.

Monday 8th June - **School Nurse drop in.**

Thursday 11th June - Infant trip to Mrs Dowson's Farm - letters have gone home this week.

Friday 12th June - Year 5/6 railway safety talk.

Monday 15th June - Dental Survey 5 year olds - more information to follow.

Tuesday 16th June - Year 5-6 London trip, more information to follow.

Year 3-4 trip to Blackburn Museum (Life in Ancient Egypt), more information to follow

Wednesday 24th June pm - Sports day pm, if raining this will be held 1st July

Monday 29th June - 3:30 - 4:30pm - Meet the Teacher, a chance for you to meet your child's teacher, for the next school year. This will be very informal and is a no appointment 'drop-in'.

Wednesday 1st July - Alternative day for Sports Day

Thursday 9th July - Reports to be sent home.

Friday 10th July - Last swimming session for junior pupils.

Sunday 12th July - School Anniversary and leavers service in Church 9:30am.

Thursday 16th July pm - Year 6 Leavers service 2pm, (families of Year 6 pupils)

Friday 17th July - School closes at 1:15pm for the Summer break.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs CA Woods

Headteacher