



ALTHAM ST JAMES' CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

Stars of the week - Henry P, Matilda, Theo J, Alice D, Toby H, Amari, Ted

Prayer and Praise - Toby W

Swimming - Jack L, Amber, Paige

Multi-Skills - Edward

Football - Elbie

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

Next week will be week 1 on the new menu.

Ice Pops - you may have spotted on ParentPay that our annual Ice pop fundraiser has now been set up. From **the week commencing 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 14th May**, as I will need to give each class a register of the pupils having an ice pop.

OFSTED Report - we have now received our OFSTED report and it is available on the school website. If you require a paper copy, please let us know.

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.

Tesco Stronger Starts - Thank you for all your tokens - this has now finished and we are waiting to hear from Tesco to see how we have done.

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 **£12,003.60**



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 -

11th - 15th May SATS week

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

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 will be sent home.

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

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