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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers

School Lunches - next week will be week 1.

Fund Raising Loom Band Bracelets - Some of year 5 & 6 girls are making money to raise funds for School funds, they are making Loom Band Bracelets. These are 50p for one, you can choose up to 3 colours in each bracelet, or a mystery set for £2.

If anyone has any Fundraising ideas or any prizes/gifts we could use in raffles & draws please let us know. Thank you

World Book Day Tokens - This year to ensure everyone gets a book we have teamed up with WH Smith in Accrington. The children have decided which book they would like and we have ordered them through WH Smith. Once they arrive, we will send them home. Thank you.

School link up - This morning our Year 3 & 4 children have had a wonderful opportunity to video call children in an Internatinal School in Budapest to compare their school life with our school. All the children in both schools

Altham Parish Council - This Sunday 6th February, to celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee, Altham Parish Council will be planting 3 rose bushes at the workers memorial sight on Burnley Road, Altham. The planting will take place at 1:30pm and will be attended by our local MP Sara Britcliffe, Miles Parkinson, Leader of Altham Parish Council and Rennie Pinder, Chair of Altham Parish Council. Mr Pinder has asked us to put this on our newsletter, as all are welcome to attend.

Milk Money - reminder milk money for the Spring term (£15) is now due. This is payable on ParentPay, Mrs. Kenyon would be very grateful if this could be paid as soon as possible to cover the monthly milk invoices.

Free Football Sessions - We have been made aware of free weekly football sessions run by Accrington Stanley Community Trust for boys and girls aged 8-17 years old. There is one locally at Mercer Park, Clayton le Moors between 6-8pm on Wednesday evenings. There are also sessions at Stanley Sports Hub on Mondays & Fridays 5-6pm.



If you would like any further information please contact 01254 475013 or email info@stanleytrust.co.uk

Drive Thru Jabs - We have been advised that this is no longer in Accrington, please check before you go.

Sports clubs

Dance & Football - will continue to be for juniors only. Football will be reviewed after Easter, when hopefully this can be held outside in the lighter and better weather.

Athletics - Next week will be the final athletics for Years 4/5/6. After February half term it will be the Year2/3 group, until the Easter break.

As the nights are getting lighter, please can we remind you that wherever possible football and athletics will be held outside. Please send appropriate clothing.

Breakfast & After School Clubs - Gentle reminder - could all outstanding balances be cleared as soon as possible? As we have stated previously, our staff are not on contracts for the clubs; therefore, we rely on your income to pay the wages. Thank you.

UNIFORM -website for ordering is www.uniformityschools.com - The new arrangements will be to choose the option deliver to school, and then there should be no postage charges.

OUR SCHOOL LOTTERY - If you have not yet joined please support us - **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 £25000 every week.**

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>

Our school lottery is open to everyone so please encourage your family and friends to join. If you join before 26th February there is a chance to win a Forest Staycation. This has been a fantastic fundraiser for our school and since the launch has now raised £6,226.00

CORONAVIRUS - ADVICE TO SCHOOLS -

The full guidance is found at [What parents need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges during COVID-19 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/what-parents-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-covid-19)

Dates for your diary

Sunday 6th February - Altham Parish Council rose bush planting - all are welcome- see above

Friday 11th February - School closes for February half term break, reopen on Monday 21st February.

Advance notice - School photographs will be on Friday 4th March.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs CA Woods
Headteacher