



# ALTHAM ST JAMES' CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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27<sup>th</sup> September 2024

## NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Stars of the week** - Matilda, Jack L, Eli, Jaeden & Jack H

**Football** - Felicity & Holly

**Multi Skills (Acc. Stanley)** - Paige

**Next week will be week 1 for meals;** - The new menus will also be coming home today. Please go through this with your child and circle their choices. If they are having a sandwich option the fillings are ham, jam, cheese or tuna and jacket potato fillings are cheese, tuna, beans or a combination of these. Please add to the menu which filling you would like.

This menu will start with week 2 choices on 28<sup>th</sup> October. Thank you.

**Flu Immunisations** - will take place on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October. The link to consent and give your child's details is <https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/68c3ea7d>

**This link will be live until 7<sup>th</sup> October.**

**Online Safety** Please find below the link to access the parent/carer session scheduled for Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2024 (4pm - 4.45pm). Our staff and governors have also watched videos re on line safety from Knowsley Council and found them to be very useful.

[https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_ZDZjNzRkOTQtNmJjNy00OGY0LWEyYmItZjM5MzEzNWJyYTk2%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22dccb1ea5-3b10-49a2-bf8f-5fd59edcd762%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%225772fa8f-9814-4199-aef2-9195804f833e%22%7d)

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**Cauliflower Cards** - If you have not yet brought in your card order, Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October is the absolute last day this can be brought in to school. The order is being collected on Wednesday and the bag will be sealed and ready to go from Tuesday evening. After this time if you want to place an order you will have to deal directly with Cauliflower cards. Thank you.

**Number Draw** - We will be having a number draw before the half term break, 100 numbers will be available. **Choose a number £1 each**, the 1st spin of the wheel will be for either a bottle of Jack Daniels or a bottle of Gordons gin and the 2<sup>nd</sup> spin will be for either a bottle of red or a bottle of white wine, + 4 Brewdog Wingman Session IPA. All proceeds will go to school funds. Thank you.

**Donate clothes 4sammy.org** - On 31<sup>st</sup> October we will be having a collection of reusable clothes/ shoes bags and belts/soft toys/jewellery/towels and bedding. We will be paid by the weight of the collection. Information packs from the company we are using have been sent home this week to give you plenty of time to have a sort out. If you need more bags you can use black bin bags or Mrs Kenyon



has some spare in the office. The filled bags will need to be outside school by 9:15am on the morning of 31<sup>st</sup> October. Thank you.

**Elizabeth Green (Author)** - will be in school next Friday morning 4<sup>th</sup> October. Elizabeth will be selling her books and hopefully will sign them for your children. There is a list of books available on our Facebook page and also in the side window of the classroom facing the car park.

### Sports clubs

**Monday** - Dance & Performing Arts until 4.30pm (year 2 and above)

**Tuesday** - Football Years 2/3 until 4:30pm and Yrs. 4//5/6 until 5pm

**Thursday** - Multi Sports until 4:30pm (Year 2 and above) - run by Accrington Stanley

**Wherever possible, these clubs will be held outside. Please ensure your child has suitable clothing.**

**School Admissions 2025** - Lancashire County Council's school admissions for children starting primary school or moving to secondary school in September 2025 is now open.

Parents can apply online at [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools) - it is quick and easy!

**The national closing dates for applications -**

**Tuesday 31 October 2024 for secondary applicants**

**Monday 15 January 2025 for primary applicants.**

**Asda Cashpot Rewards - Our cashpot balance is currently £126.10.**

Parentkind - the charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda, who are making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative - all you have to do is, opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between 2nd September and 30th November 2024.

Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our Primary school. In addition, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot.

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

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October** - Author Elizabeth Green will be in School.

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October** - Harvest Service (more information to follow)

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October** School closes for October half term **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October** -

**\*\* School reopens on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October**

**Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October** - Flu immunisations.

**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October** - Clothes collection by ([donateclothes4sammy.org](http://donateclothes4sammy.org)) similar to Bag2School but raising money for Leukaemia & Myeloma Research UK. School will be paid by weight of bags. Bags sent home this week.

**Also on 31<sup>st</sup> October** - 9:10am Open the Book team will be in for our assembly, please stay and watch if you are able to.

**Angel Service** 3:30 - 4:30pm PM, held in school, all children to be accompanied by an adult, this is a child friendly service led by members of Altham church.

**Have a lovey weekend**

**Mrs CA Woods**

**Headteacher**