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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

Stars of the week - Betsy K, Isabelle V, Esme MJ, Ava, Dylan, Amari, Otis, Thomas C

Football - Flossie & Solomon

Multi Skills (Acc. Stanley) - Ava and Alfie L

Next week - Week 1 meal choices.

Film Night - Letters have been sent home for our film night next Wednesday 4th December, from 3:30pm - 5:30pm. The cost for this is £4 per child and £2 per extra child. This will include a drink and a hotdog. Any money raised will go to School Funds. Thank you.

Christmas Breakfast with Santa Friday 20th December - This will be in school time at 9am, the cost for this will be £3.50. Please let us know if this is a problem. Payment by ParentPay please; this is showing on ParentPay now.

There will be a visit from Santa and all children will receive a gift. Food will include waffles, scotch pancakes, toast, crumpets, choc chip muffins, apple & orange juice. All money raised from this will go to school fund.

Christmas Plays - letters have been sent home to request tickets for the plays. If you have not yet returned the slip, please do so as soon as possible, then we can allocate any spare tickets. Thank you,

Miss Parker - Today has been Miss Parker's last day working in school. The children all got to say goodbye in assembly. We will miss her and wish her all the best for the future. She has promised she will stay in touch.

Asda Cashpot Rewards - Our cashpot balance is currently £281.09 today is the last day to boost our reward. The money raised from this will go towards the cost of the covered area outside Year 1-2 classroom.

Christmas shopping - If you are doing any Christmas shopping on-line, please go through the following link <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/astjprimary/> this will give a small donation to our school funds at no extra cost to you!

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



Parents can apply online at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools - it is quick and easy!

Monday 15 January 2025 for primary applicants.

Sports clubs

Monday - Dance & Performing Arts until 4.30pm. (Last lesson before the break will be 16th December)

Tuesday - Football Years 2/3 until 4:30pm and Yrs. 4/5/6 until 5pm. (Last lesson before the break will be 10th December)

Thursday - Multi Sports until 4:30pm - (Last lesson before the break will be 12th December)

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 **£9911.60**

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 4th December - Film Night - see above

Monday 9th December - 2pm Infant Play

Tuesday 10th December - 9:30 am Infant play

Wednesday 11th December - Junior play 2pm and 5:30pm (in Church)

Thursday 12th December - Churches Together Carol Concert 6pm

Friday 13th December - 6:30pm Light switch on at the Memorial Garden on Burnley Road, organised by Altham Parish Council, they have asked if anyone would like to join them for a few Carols around the tree.

Sunday 15th December - Bishop Philip will be taking the service at Altham Church. It would lovely if anyone planning to attend this service could take their children for the next 2 Sundays, in order for Mrs Tinker to prepare the children for their part in the service.

Wednesday 18th December - Christmas Dinner Day

& Christmas Jumper Day (donations to Save the Children)

Thursday 19th December - Whole school to see Jack & the Beanstalk at Blackburn Empire Theatre.

Friday 20th December - non uniform party day

- Christmas Breakfast with Santa

- Christmas Party Lunch

School will close at 1:15pm.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs CA Woods

Headteacher