



# ALTHAM ST JAMES' CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## NEWSLETTER

10<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

After the break lunches will be 1 choices.

Stars of the Week - Our 'Stars of the Week' - Alice, Dexter, Annabel, Olivia

Football- Freddie

Netball - Albie

**REMINDER** - Please make sure children have a PE kit in school at all times.

**Parent Governors** - There are places for 2 parent Governors at school. When we come back after half term we will start the process for appointing. There will be a form for you to complete, where you would need to get a proposer and a seconder to sign your application and you would need to give us a little information about yourself, which will then help parents decided who to vote for.

If you are interested in applying for one of the positions and would like anymore information please see Mrs Woods or ask at the school office. Thank you.

**READING COMPETITION** - The winners are Millie (KS2) and Toby (KS1). The blurbs were fantastic, the reading ambassadors said it was really hard to choose. All entries received a prize.

### **WORLD BOOK DAY CELEBRATIONS on THURSDAY 2nd MARCH 2023**

This year's theme is reading for enjoyment. You are invited to come to school dressed as your favourite book character. We are creating a reading den in our school hall, where children can bring along their favourite book. Storytelling events will take place throughout the day.

Hope to see all your fantastic costumes. Please let me know if you need any help. Mrs Bellard

**School Reminders** - Please only send water into school with your children, no juice drinks and no Prime bottles as we do not wish to promote this.

Also, we do not allow make up or nail varnish to be worn for school and only small sud earrings. Thank you

**Breakfast Club** - just a gentle reminder re timings for breakfast club. From 8am cost is £3 and includes breakfast. From 8:30am the cost is £1.50 and there is no breakfast included. Thank you.

**Raffle** - has raised £35.50 for school funds and the winners are 780 Alfie A who has chosen the chocolates & 748 Dylan who has won the teddy. Thank you.

**Christingle Candles** - Thank you for all your donations we have rasied £104.80 for the Childrens' Society.



**Milk Money (Spring term)** - milk money for January - Easter is now due; this is £16 per term and is payable on ParentPay. If your child has not yet turned 5, milk is still free and we will contact you when payment becomes due. Thank you.

**FACEBOOK** - Just to make you all aware we have a school Facebook page where we often post information from outside agencies. (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2271900599780873/>)

**Love Productions** - the company behind The Great British Bake Off, The Great British Sewing Bee and The Great Pottery Throw Down are looking for young budding bakers between **9-12 years old**. Filming would take place from July 2023, but the **applications close on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2023**. Interested bakers can apply online at - [www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk](http://www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk)

### After School Sports Clubs

**Monday** - Dance up to & inc. Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March. **We have 4 spaces available for juniors at dance.**

**Tuesday** - Football. Where ever possible this will be held outside, please send suitable clothing.

**Thursday** - Netball. Where ever possible this will be held outside, please send suitable clothing

**Friday** - Multi-skills - Group 1 will start again on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

**OUR SCHOOL LOTTERY** - If you have not yet bought your ticket, or your debit card payment has finished, join now and you could be in with a chance of winning a year of HelloFresh, the link to register is <http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/altham-st-james-c-of-e-primary-school>

**We have now raised over £7000 since we started in 2017!**

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.**

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 **£7,282.40**.

**UNIFORM** - uniform is now available at the Whittakers 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](mailto:Accrington-orders@whittakersschoolwear.co.uk)

\*\*Also just a reminder Mrs Briggs has set up a pre loved uniform page on Facebook for our school. If there is something you need have a look on [Altham St James uniform secondhand](#)

**Dates for your diary .....**

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February** - school reopens

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February am** - Open the Book team in for school assembly.

**pm** - Angel Service 3:30pm in the school hall, all children to be accompanied by an adult.

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** - World Book Day dress up.

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March** - Comic Relief Day, non uniform with donations to Comic Relief.

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March** - Parents Evening 3:30-6pm. (more information nearer the time)

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March** - School closes for the Easter break. Reopen on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April.

Thank you for your support this half term and have a lovely half term break.

**Mrs CA Woods**

**Headteacher**