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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers

Stars of the week - Halie, Theo J, Rupert A, Alice D, Rupert J, Ted

Prayer & Praise award - Samuel Coates

Football - Fletcher, Alfie C, Albie

Next week will be week 3 for meals.

Cauliflower Cards - Pupils are designing their Christmas cards and these should be sent home by next Friday 19th September. Please place your order online, instructions will be on the paperwork that comes home. Once ordered, please remember to return the artwork to school, as we need to send all the design to the company for printing. Thank you.

Flu Immunisations - will take place on Monday 20th October. Letters have been sent home today. The link to consent and give your child's details is

<https://nhsImms.azurewebsites.net/session/421db419>

This link will be live until 13 October. If the link does not work, please copy and paste into your browser

Headlice - This week we have had a headlice alert, please check your child's hair regularly.

School Admissions 2026 - Lancashire County Council's school admissions for children starting primary school or moving to secondary school in September 2026 is now open.

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

The national closing dates for applications are:

Friday 31 October 2025 for secondary applicants

Thursday 15 January 2026 for primary applicants

Open Evenings for Year 6 pupils

Wednesday 24th September - Accrington Academy 5-8pm

Thursday 25 September 2025 - The Hollins

Thursday 25 September 2025 - Ribblesdale 4:30 - 7:30pm

Tuesday 30th September - St Christopher's 6-8 pm.

Wednesday 1st October - Hyndburn Academy 6-8 pm



Gardening Club - Now that we are coming into winter, Mrs Lunniss has asked if anyone has any leftover garden items that could be donated to school and saved for when Garden club starts over again.

Sports clubs Year 2 and above

Monday - Dance & Performing Arts until 4.30pm.

Tuesday - Football until 4:30pm.

Thursday - Multi Sports until 4:30pm

Dates for your diary -

Sunday 14th September - All Age Worship in Church starting at 9:30am, followed by free Walking Treasure Hunt & BBQ (numbers required).

Wednesday 24th September - 3:30-4:30 Angel Service, after school. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Thursday 25 September - Open the Book team in for morning assembly, please stay and watch if you are able to.

Thursday 9th October - Harvest Service in church, more information to follow.

Monday 20th October - Flu immunisations, letters have been sent home today.

Monday 20th October - 3:30pm - 6pm. Parents Evening, more information to follow.

Friday 24th October - school closes for half term.

Friday 31st October - Closing date for secondary applications.

Monday 3rd November - School reopens.

Wednesday 12th November - Sammy bag collection. Please save your preloved clothing, bedding, towels, unwanted gifts etc. to raise money for school and leukaemia & myeloma research. Collection bags will be sent home soon.

Monday 8th December - Infany play 2pm

Tuesday 9th December - Infant play 9:30pm

Wednesday 10th December - Junior play 2pm & 5:30pm.

Thursday 18 December - morning - Snow White Pantomime, Thwaites Theatre.

Friday 19 December

Outdoor play area - If anyone is getting rid of any items that would be suitable for an outdoor play area, we would love to take them off your hands!

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](#)

Your School Lottery - If you have not yet joined please support us see

www.yourschoollottery.co.uk - 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.

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 **£11028.00**

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs CA Woods

Headteacher

