



ALTHAM ST JAMES' CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

Stars of the week - Thea, Amelia, Millie, Dexter, Nancy, Eli, Fletcher

Prayer and Praise - Alfie C

Football - Sam W

Multi-Skills - Roman

The cost of paid school meals for junior pupils is now £3 per day (£15 per week).

Next week will be week 1 on the new menu.

Collect Sammy Bag collection - The bags will now on Friday 24th April. If you need to drop off earlier, we will accept them in school from Thursday 23rd. Thank you.

Phone Lines - Our new system is up and running and we are back to our original school phone number (01282 772174). Thank you for your patience whilst we had no phone line!

Nurse drop in - next visit will be Monday 8th June 2:30pm. Please let us know if you are coming in to see her.

Multi Skills - Thursday 23rd April - Please note there will be no after school sports club on this date. Normal afterschool club will be running as usual.

Nursery - We are delighted to inform you that our application to create a 15-place nursery has been successful. Our current reception classroom will be extended and then we will operate an EYFS unit (term time only). The building work is planned for 7th Sept - 16 October. When the build is completed, we will be looking to offer up to 30 hours funded childcare for 3 & 4 year olds. Please ask at the school office if you would like to express an interest & collect a form to complete.

Tesco Stronger Starts - Reminder - please remember to use your blue tokens for our school in any of the stores listed below, **this has now been extended until next Sunday 26th April**. In Accrington store, there are tubs of tokens on the self-checkout tills.

Feel free to share this list of stores amongst your friends & family, we need all the help we can get!

6154 Accrington Extra BB5 1LN

4467 Baxenden Express BB5 2QJ



5350 Accrington Abbey Street Esso Express BB5 1EW
5752 Oswaldtwistle Mill Express BB5 3JB

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 **£11,943.20**

If you have not yet joined please support us - **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.**

To support us please visit Yourschoollottery.co.uk and search for Altham St James.

Sports clubs Year 2 and above

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 12-12.30- Couch to 5K (juniors only)

Monday - Dance & Performing Arts until 4.30pm

Tuesday - Football until 4:30pm.

Thursday - Multi Sports until 4:30pm

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](#)

Dates for your diary -

18th & 19th May - Year 5-6 Bikeability

Friday 22nd May - School Closes for half term and reopens on Wednesday 3rd June.

Monday 8th June - School Nurse drop in.

Friday 17th July - School closes at 1:15pm for the Summer break.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs CA Woods
Headteacher