

Newsletter

16th January 2026



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Taywood Families,

We have updated some of our policies, which are available on our website. We have our Support for Families section and Information for parents, including toilet training and sleep advice.

Orchard Star of the Week

Deacon, for excellent talking and story telling.

Acorn Star of the Week

Harlow, for sitting and engaging in group times

Willow Star of the Week

Rory, for such a good attitude to learning.

Headteacher's Award

Edward, for being grown up, walking in and out of nursery, and Benas for being so friendly, saying 'Good morning' as he comes into nursery.

Well done to all of our Star of the Week children.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Slater Headteacher

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Upcoming Dates

January

February

13th - Nursery closes at the usual time

16th - 23rd - Half-term holidays and staff training day

24th - Nursery opens

Breakfast and After School Club

Contact Mrs Farr, c.farr@taywood.lancs.sch.uk



We have been talking about babies and how to look after them, as some of our children are going to be big brothers and sisters.

Skills to practise at home



Putting on their own gloves.

Our Learning



Seedlings

During our What's in the Box, we have been learning to imitate longer sequences of play, such as feeding the dog or baby. We have also been using our muscles to pull, tear and squeeze play dough.



Orchard

We continued our learning about different materials. The children have been learning the words, 'wet', 'dry', 'cold', 'bumpy' and 'sticky'. They enjoyed the concept of melting the most, as they explored the ice. We have been on a walk around nursery, finding real bricks to link into the story of, 'The Three Little Pigs'.



Acorn

We have been working on our fine motor skills, learning how to use scissors safely. We created houses out of clay, which linked to the core story, 'The Three Little Pigs.' Our rhyme this week is, 'Two Little Dickie Birds'. We have also been mark-making, writing X by crossing two lines.



Willow



The teachers have been impressed with how the children are learning to work together as a team, both in class and in Nature Club. We have lots more pictures to share on our Facebook page from Willow's learning this week too.



Messages



Willow Class Teacher

Miss Hussain has been our Willow class teacher for above a year, and has really made a difference, helping our pre-school children to learn and grow. Thank you for everything Miss Hussain! Miss Holdsworth will return from maternity leave at the end of February into her post as Willow class teacher. Miss Holdsworth will visit the class to get to know the children, and parents will be introduced too.

Healthy Eating, Food and Drinks

Our Healthy Eating, Food and Drinks Policy can be viewed on our [website](#). Please can we remind parents of the following:

- We are a nut free school- please do not send in products containing nuts in packed lunches
- Sweets, cakes, popcorn, juice and fizzy drinks are not permitted
- There are links to support healthy choices, as well as guidance on how to prepare food.
- Grapes, strawberries, raspberries and cherry tomatoes should be cut into quarters (lengthways).

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