

Newsletter

4th September 2026



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Taywood Families,

Welcome back to the Autumn term. The children have settled in so well! Welcome to our new families, who started their transition sessions this week.

All of our children deserve the Star of the Week this week, for following new routines and making new friends.

Orchard Star of the Week

Orchard staff have been impressed with how well the Seedlings children have moved into the school environment.

Acorn Star of the Week

Acorn staff have heard lots of communication, talking to adults and other children.

Willow Star of the Week

Willow staff are very proud of the children for following the pre-school routines, looking after the classroom and making friends.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Slater

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Breakfast and After School Club

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

Our After School Club is now in the Seedlings room, with our new games. Children will help to prepare their own delicious dishes. Mrs Farr will share the new winter menu soon.

Extra Curricular Club

You can book in for our extra clubs for £4 per session. (Block booking required)

Monday- Adventurer Club

Tuesday- Craft Club

Wednesday- Music and Dance Club

Thursday- Sports Club

Upcoming Dates

September

Monday 21st - Orchard Stay and Play 9am and 2:30pm

Tuesday 22nd - Acorn Stay and Play 9am and 2:30pm

Wednesday 23rd - Willow Stay and Play and book bag collection 9am and 2:15pm

Thursday 24th - Seedlings Stay and Play 8:45am

October

23rd - Close for half term (usual time)

Attendance

As a maintained nursery school, we have a duty to promote good attendance. Our attendance target is at least 95%. We expect children to attend every day for their session.

Miss Horrocks will contact parents if your child is absent. A home visit will take place for unexplained absences as per our safeguarding and attendance policy.

Please contact the school office if your child is ill as soon as possible, giving a reason for the absence and expected date of return.

Our Learning



Seedlings

Well done to our Seedlings children who have enjoyed exploring the environment. We love our dinosaurs, saying 'roar' and looking at our new books. Welcome to our new families. We would love family photos to make special books for the children. A reminder to send coats in everyday please, as we always play outside.



Orchard

This week we have been exploring our wonderful classroom. Children have enjoyed playing with playdough and pretending to make cakes, adding various spices to them. We enjoyed playing with our topic tray, naming farm animals and joining in with the nursery rhyme, 'Old Mac Donald'. (see link)



Acorn

Our Acorn class children have started to form friendships already. We enjoyed exploring the messy areas and making marks in shaving foam. As our Acorn group is small, we would like to personalise the classroom for each child. Please send in family photos on Dojo and any pictures of trips or holidays you have been on. We will use our outdoor area for longer periods next week, so children will need outdoor clothing.



Willow

The pre-school staff have been impressed with how the children have played so well in their new classroom, using the resources carefully and tidying up. In Willow we say, 'Choose it, use it, put it away'. Maybe you could try this at home too.



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What to Bring

All children need a coat with a hood. They also need a water bottle (water only). Children in nappies should have nappies and wipes provided from home. If your child is toilet training, please send spare clothes and plenty of underwear.

ALL UNIFORM ITEMS SHOULD BE NAMED PLEASE

Nature Club and EdStart

Nature Club will start next week. Please send wellington boots, a waterproof coat or puddle suit on your child's Nature Club day. **ALL ITEMS SHOULD BE NAMED.**

Willow: EdStart PE is on Thursday morning. Children will need to wear black or grey joggers and trainers along with their uniform. Nature Club is also on a Thursday. Please send the above items in a bag.

Orchard and Acorn: Nature Club is on Friday.

Taywood NS School Fund

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