Newsletter

18th September 2026

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Taywood Families,

You may have noticed some building work happening around school. We are pleased to have been awarded inclusion funding to build an outdoor classroom, as well as creating a calm/sensory space in Willow. Photos to follow.

Orchard Star of the Week

Logan, for settling in, forming relationships, exploring the classrooom and having lots of fun!

Acorn Star of the Week

Gwen, for participating in group activities and using 3 words together linking to our topic learning.

Willow Star of the Week

Victor, for communicating with others.

Headteacher's Award

Harrison, good attendance and being happy in nursery.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Slater

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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)

Breakfast and After School Club

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

Chopping apples for our own apple sauce.

Extra Curricular Club

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

Monday- Adventure Club

Tuesday- Craft Club

Wednesday- Music and Dance Club

Thursday- Sports Club

Screen Time

Do you know the recommended screen time for children under 5? Government advice is no screen time at all for under 2 years, with 2-5 year olds having 1 hour or less.

See the Best Start in life guidance(link)

Screen time in nursery school is limited to essential only e.g. watching a specific clip of a farm linked to our topic.

Our Learning

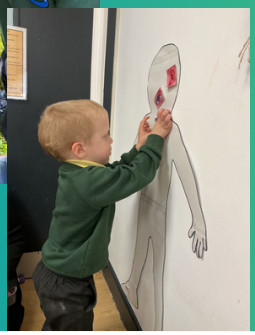
Seedlings

We enjoyed our first outing to the sensory room at the Family Hub on Tay Street. This is free to visit for any age group. We explored the lights and colours, and enjoyed our triple buggy pram too. We have also been learning to pick up objects using our pincer grip.

Orchard

We explored the apples from our tree, learning about the natural world around us. We had lots of fun mark making too, creating circles using paintbrushes and cotton buds. We have also been learning to name different parts of our bodies, singing <u>If You're Happy and You Know It</u> and sharing our book <u>From Head to Toe</u>, copying the actions of the animals as we read. (See links)

Acorn



This week we have been learning to identify our facial features and body parts. We also picked apples from our apple tree and cut them up to eat during snack. We also used them to print and paint. See the links above for our rhyme and story of the week.

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Willow

We have been making beautiful self-portraits using mirrors to study our facial features. We have also enjoyed looking at our family photos and talking about who lives in our homes. We have loved our Nature Club and EdStart lessons and enjoyed playing lots of movement games.

Messages

Free coats, wellies and all-in-ones

Look out next week for a collection of free clothing and wellies. These will be on a table under the shelter outside, so please feel free to take anything your child can use. Children need named wellies in a bag for their Nature Club day. You are welcome to take a pair from the table and name them for your child to use. Waterproof trousers are best for Nature Club as they make it easier for children to use the toilet independently. All-in-one waterproof suits are also fine if your child is fully toilet trained.

Reminder: Stay and Play

Save the date for our first Stay and Play sessions of the year. Dates and times can be found in the 'Upcoming Dates' section. This is a great opportunity to play alongside your child in our provision, get to know the staff and ask any questions you may have.

Due to limited space, we can only accommodate one adult per child. Please send a Dojo message to your child's class to confirm your attendance.

If space allows, we may be able to invite more than one adult per family closer to the time.

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