# Newsletter

20th November 2026

## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Taywood Families,

Next Wednesday, we have a visit from Lancashire Hawks and Owls. If you DO NOT want your child to be part of this due to allergies or another reason, please pass this on to Miss Horrocks in writing.

Orchard Star of the Week

Oliwia, for joining in with adults play, using words and enjoying the provision.

Acorn Star of the Week

Our star of the week is Teranika for always joining in with group time.

Willow Star of the Week

Lyla-Mae, for coming in everyday with a smile.

Headteacher's Award

Cleo, for sharing her knowledge about Diwali celebrations.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Slater

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## Upcoming Dates

### November

25th November- Lancashire Hawks and Owls visit all classes

### December

2nd - Willow Theatre Trip

10th - Christmas Jumper Day

11th - Christmas Tree Competition

14th- 17th - Stay and Play (see below)

18th - Party Day. Nursery closes at 3:15pm.

NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

## Breakfast and After School Club

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



We have been building on the children's core strength with yoga.

Extra- curricular Club- 3:15-4:00pm

Book our extra- curricular clubs for £4 per session. (Block booking required)

Monday- Adventure Club

Tuesday- Craft Club

Wednesday- Music and Dance Club

Thursday- Sports Club

## Home Links

### Christmas Tree Competition

As part of our learning on celebrations, we are asking for photos of your decorated Christmas trees from home. We will display these in class for the children to vote for their favourite. The winning three from each class will receive a festive treat. Send in your photos by Dojo as soon as possible and by 11th December at the latest.

# Our Learning

## Seedlings

We have been exploring light and dark. We had fun exploring our dark den and used torches to find the owls. We have also been learning about stars. We used different equipment such as rollers, sponges and stamps to create different marks on our stars. We have also been focusing on stacking. Children were encouraged to turn-take, placing the stones on top of each other with the support of an adult.





## Orchard




This week Orchard have been making simple structures in our maths area with loose parts and talking about what they have made. We have been learning how to build different structures with the magnetic bricks, making houses for the animals. Our rhyme this week is Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star, which links to our learning on light and dark.



## Acorn



This week in Acorn, we have been learning about nocturnal animals and their habitats. The children have enjoyed sculpting owls using clay and making habitats for different animals. The children have also made their own art inspired by Andy Goldsworthy.



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## Willow



As part our learning on light and dark, we used our painting skills to create our own version of Starry Night. We were really proud of the children for focusing on this activity without lots of teacher support. Great independence Willow children!





# Messages

## Willow Theatre Trip

All Willow children will have received a letter about our theatre trip on 2nd December. Please sign and return your consent form as soon as possible. A reminder that all afternoon children will need to attend for the morning session only.

## Christmas Dates

10th December - Christmas Jumper Day
11th December- Christmas Tree Competition prizes
14th December- Acorn Stay and Play, 10:45am or 2:15pm
15th December- Willow Stay and Play, 10:45am or 2:15pm
16th December- Seedlings Stay and Play, 2:15pm
17th December- Orchard Stay and Play, 10:45am or 2:15pm
18th December- Party Day (£2 donation for party food and games please)
Father Christmas will visit the children in class during the week too!

## Taywood NS School Fund

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£2.50 per week or £17.50 for the half term, payable to the above account