

# Newsletter

22nd May 2025



## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Taywood Families,

As the end of the school year approaches, we have planned our end of term activities and trip. See the 'save the dates' below. More detail will follow in the coming weeks.

A reminder that we are closed until Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June for half-term.

### Orchard Star of the Week

Harlow showed fantastic listening skills on our trip to the shop.

### Willow Star of the Week

Benas has worked very hard this week and has even taken his learning home, making a poster about the life-cycle of a butterfly.

### Headteacher's Award

Noela has beautiful manners and such a positive attitude. She is a good friend and is kind to others. Well done, Noela!

Have a lovely half-term break.

Mrs Slater

Headteacher

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## Upcoming Dates

### May

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May- School and Seedlings closes for half term

### June

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June- Nursery and Seedlings opens

### July

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July- Thornton Hall Farm trip

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July- End of term performance

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July- Sports Day

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July- School and Seedlings closes for summer

## Extended Services

Mrs Farr is our Extended Services Co-Ordinator and can be contacted at

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After the minibeast workshop and visit from the snakes, the children helped to set up a new small world area.

We have some places remaining for Breakfast and After School Club for September. Please email the office to book any extra sessions, or amend your sessions.

# Our Learning



## Seedlings

We have been learning about growing and have planted our own vegetables. The children enjoyed scooping and pouring the soil using tools. They have been developing their pretend play skills by washing the babies. The children followed instructions and named body parts. This week, we have visited the library and Farmfoods.



## Orchard

The children have been interested in feeding the birds, so we set up a bird-watching area, spotting robins and blackbirds. We have been learning about the life-cycle of a butterfly through observing our own caterpillars. Some of us visited Farmfoods to learn about paying for items as part of our Maths learning. What a busy week!



## Willow

We enjoyed our visit from The Creepy Crawly Roadshow this week. Our favourite was the snake! The children were really brave and held lots of different minibeasts. They listened beautifully to the instructions, and handled them with care. Inspired by the visit, the children made their own bug hotel outdoors.



# Messages



## Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July - Leavers Farm Trip

Pre-school children are invited to attend their end of year trip to Thornton Hall Farm. The cost of the trip is over £20 per child, however, we only ask for a £10 contribution towards the trip, and school will fund the remainder. You are welcome to contribute the full amount for the trip, should you choose. The cost includes coach transfer, a guided tour, animal feeding activities, a caterpillar ride and access to the play area. You can pay cash to the office, or transfer to the school account (at the bottom of the page, using your child's name as the reference.) Further details and parental consent forms will be shared after half-term.

## Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 11:00am - End of term performance for pre-school children

Our end of term performance will start at 11:00 am. This is for children who are going to school in September only. Afternoon children are invited into nursery at 10:45am at no extra cost to you. Please provide a healthy packed lunch in a named bag. We only have space for two adults per child, and you will be asked to confirm attendance after half-term.

## Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July - Orchard and Willow Sports and Outdoor Day

Morning session: 10:30am

Afternoon session: 2:00pm

Children will take part in physical activity and team games, and you are invited to cheer them on. There will be adult and child team activities too. Each class will Dojo you with arrangements for the day.

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