

Newsletter

5th September 2025



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Taywood Families,

It has been a wonderful first week back at Taywood. The children have settled in so well and are following our routines already. We are very proud of them!

Thank you for helping your child to be punctual and in nursery school for 8:45 am and 12:15pm. The register closes at 9:00am and 12:30pm. We have had excellent attendance this week.

Orchard Star of the Week

Isla has shown independence and confidence in her new class. She has answered questions and is following the routines. She has also interacted well with the adults in Orchard.

Willow Star of the Week

The staff were amazed at Iszack's family picture. Brilliant concentration and drawing skills Iszack.

Headteacher's Award

Lucas has been busy engaging in the activities and group sessions. Well done Lucas!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Slater

Headteacher head@taywood.lancs.sch.uk

Upcoming Dates

September

17th September- Willow Reading Session/ book bag handover

October

7th and 8th October- Parent meetings for new children

13th and 15th October- Parent meetings for all other children

24th October- Close for half term (usual time)

November

3rd November- Closed for staff training

4th November- School and Seedlings open

Extended Services

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

c.farr@taywood.lancs.sch.uk

The children have enjoyed the new dressing up outfits, using their imagination in role-play.

You may be able to book ad-hoc days. Please contact the office.



Our Learning



Seedlings

We have been exploring our environment this week, learning how to stack using large bricks, and using new words such as "on top" and "fall down". We have also been exploring the sand, filling and emptying containers using both our hands and spades.



Orchard

We have been helping our new children settle into their new classroom and learn how to use the resources. We have enjoyed our first Nature Club session too. The staff want to say thank you to all of our Orchard children for a wonderful week. You have been a pleasure to teach.



Willow

We enjoyed our first Nature Club session this week, learning about floating and sinking using our own apples from the tree. The children also made their own obstacle courses too.



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Nature Club

All children in Orchard and Willow will have Nature Club sessions every week. These replace our Forest School sessions from last year. Nature Club involves a mix of focus activities, learning about the natural world, and opportunities for physical development. On your child's Nature Club day, children will need wellington boots and a waterproof, hooded coat. We do have waterproof trousers for every child.

Nature Club sessions: Thursday's- Willow, Friday- Orchard.

Willow Book Bags

We have purchased a reading book bag with the school logo for every pre-school child. These belong to your child for the year and will be used to promote a love of reading, and start your child's phonics teaching. To collect your child's book bag, you are invited into nursery on **Wednesday 17th September** at either **9:00am** or **3:00pm**. Mrs Slater and Miss Hussain will speak with you about our reading and phonics teaching for the year. If your child attends After School Club and you cannot attend, please Dojo Miss Hussain and we will make arrangements to pass on this information.

Primary School Places

Applications are now open to apply for your child's primary school place. This is for all Willow children only. The deadline is **15th January 2026**.

[Apply for your child's place](#)

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