

# Newsletter

4th October 2024



## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Taywood Families,

The staff in Orchard have asked if they can have a weekly Star of the Week winner too. We will now have two winners each week.

### Orchard Star of the Week

Matthew has been a superstar every day in Orchard. He is so keen to learn and plays beautifully with other children.

### Willow Star of the Week

Ellie is our Star of the Week this week, for being a kind and caring friend.

Well done Matthew and Ellie. We are proud of you!

### Attendance

Willow are our best is our best attenders this week with 88%.

Mrs Slater

Headteacher

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## Upcoming Dates

- 11th October- Tempest Photography
- 21st to 25th October- School and Seedlings closed for half-term.
- 28th October- Closed for staff training.
- 29th October- School and Seedlings open
- 31st October- Fancy Dress Fundraising

## Extended Services

Mrs Farr is our Extended Services Co-Ordinator and can be contacted at [c.farr@taywood.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:c.farr@taywood.lancs.sch.uk)

**At After School Club, we have been doctors and vets, taking care of each other, and learning what happens in hospitals. It's involved lots of bandages!**



# Our Learning



## Seedlings

We have been baking this week and exploring in the water, filling and emptying using scoops and bowls.



## Orchard

We had a special visitor this week. As part of our topic, we have been thinking about our families and learning about babies. We had a visit from a beautiful baby. We thought about how much we have grown since being a baby and felt proud of all the things we have learnt to do.



## Willow

Willow children have been taking part in Space Week this week. They made planets for display, enjoyed the small world area and even used space in their maths sessions.



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## January and April Funded Hours

We are starting to take enquires for places in January and April in all classes. We have children already on our waiting list, so if you require a place, please speak to Mrs Clegg or Mrs Entwistle. Just a reminder, our usual offer is 15 hours used from 8:45 am to 11:45am, or 12:15pm to 3:15pm. 30 hours funded places are available. Please let family and friends know if they require a place and we will be happy to show them around.

## REMINDER-MOBILE PHONES



As part of Keeping Children Safe in Education, schools and nurseries do not allow mobile phones to be visible when in the school grounds. Please keep mobile phones out of sight when entering our building. This includes our office and entrances. Thank you for your understanding.

## Parent Meetings

### Orchard- Wednesday 30th October, Willow- Friday 1st November

You can book your 10 minute meeting from today. This is especially important for children who have moved up to a new class, or are new to Taywood. Please note, that these meetings are 10 minutes only and are for you to touch base to find out how your child has settled in since September. Seedlings will arrange meetings with parents directly.

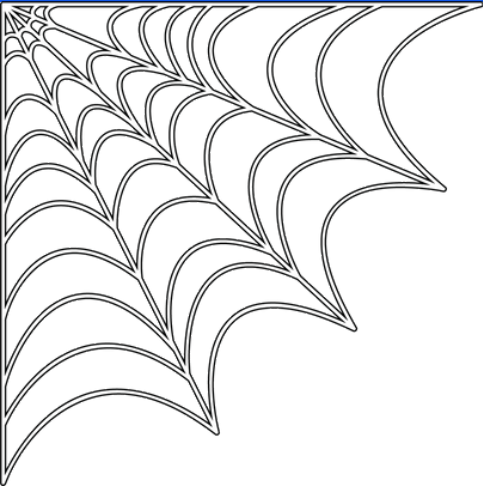




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## **Fancy Dress Day 31st October**



**Children can dress up in Halloween outfits, or their favourite fancy dress costume for our Fancy Dress Fundraising Day.**

**We are fundraising for our outdoor areas and welcome your donations of £1 (or whatever you feel you wish to donate on the day!)**

**Children will enjoy Halloween activities, such as crafts and baking.**

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## Primary School Applications

If your child turns 4 years of age before 31st August 2025, you will need to apply for a primary school place. Applications are open now and close on 15th January 2025. You can apply using this link below.

[Apply for a primary school place](#)

