



Life at The Holme keeps us very much on our toes – and that is exactly how we like it. Each season brings its own rhythms and reminders, and with them come the many changes that shape school life. Some of these are natural and expected: the shift from winter to spring, the buzz of new topics, the excitement of upcoming events. Others arrive from further afield: evolving expectations both locally and nationally, new strategic directions for education, and the ever-present concerns around funding and

school resources.

This year has been no different. With the publication of new national education proposals and conversations across the sector about priorities for the future, there is plenty to take in. Schools everywhere are reflecting on what these changes may mean for their communities. But amidst all this movement, the guiding truth for us at The Holme remains the same: at the heart of everything we do is the relationship we build with each child.

It is these strong, nurturing relationships that enable children not only to succeed academically but to grow as confident, rounded individuals. Every smile, every conversation, every moment of encouragement – these are the building blocks of a thriving school. They give children the security to take risks, the courage to try again, and the wisdom to understand themselves and their world more deeply.

The Holme is evolving, just as the wider education sector is evolving. Yet through all this change, we remain deeply grounded in who we are: a single-form, Church of England village primary school that believes wholeheartedly in its purpose. Our values – love, courage and wisdom – are not simply words on the wall. They thread through every classroom, every playground interaction, every decision we make.

Our vision is clear: to create an environment where children are nourished, supported and inspired to thrive and bloom. And it is something we want the whole parish to be part of. Schools are strongest when they grow in partnership with the people around them, and we welcome visits so if you'd like to find out more about us, if you'd like to support us in some way no matter how small, please get in touch.

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