



Homefield C of E Primary School

Providing opportunities to shine



Welcome

to Homefield C of E Primary School

I am extremely proud to be the Headteacher of this wonderful school, with committed staff, hardworking children and a shared love of learning. Our school vision '**Curious Minds, Open Hearts, Joy of Learning**' is at the heart of all we do. At Homefield, we strongly believe in providing the children with inspiring, creative and meaningful learning experiences that builds on their natural curiosity and ignites their passion for learning. Through our well-sequenced, knowledge-rich curriculum which is enhanced by trips and visits, our children develop a secure core knowledge across a broad and balanced curriculum.

I think it is crucial to involve the children and their families as partners in their education. By working in partnership with parents and the Diocese, we are a whole school community built on strong Christian values, which thrives on mutual respect and positive relationships.

We aspire for all of our children to leave Homefield C of E Primary School, with high aspirations, having the confidence and knowledge they need to succeed as unique individuals.

Our website gives you an insight into the wonderful learning opportunities that we have on offer at Homefield C of E Primary School, please go to: www.homefield.norfolk.sch.uk or visit our Facebook page [Homefield VC Primary](#)

If you have any questions or would like to visit the school please feel free to arrange an appointment and we would be delighted to see you.

Miss Kerry Read | Headteacher



School Day

Doors open at 8:35am each day and children are invited to come into school. School starts at 8:40am.

All children enter the school by either the front gate or the back gate. Members of staff will be available on the playground should you wish to talk to them. The children will be greeted by their Class teacher or TA as they enter the classroom. All classes will have calm music playing to relax the children and create a welcoming atmosphere as the children begin their school day. Lunchtime is 45 – 60 minutes long depending on the age of your child.

School ends at 3:10pm each day.

Collective Worship

Whole school assembly takes place at 9:05am every morning.

Breaktime

During the morning the teacher will decide when the class needs a break to ensure the maximum level of focus for learning. Children in Reception and Year 1 only break if necessary, so they can continue developing their ideas and the learning through play. It can take up to 45 minutes for children to have deep learning happening and if they were to pack up just as this was happening, learning opportunities would be lost. This is something we try to avoid.

Before and After School Care

Before School Care:

Monday to Friday – 7:45am to 8:40am

After School Care:

Monday to Friday – 3:10pm to 5:45pm

We also have a **variety of clubs which run after school and finish at 4:15pm.**

There is a small charge if you wish your child to attend. If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium funding, then the cost may be subsidised.





Curious
Minds

Open
Hearts

Joy of
Learning



Our Vision

Our school vision '**Curious Minds, Open Hearts & Joy of Learning**' is at the heart of all we do.

At Homefield C of E Primary we strongly believe in providing the children with inspiring, creative and meaningful learning experiences that builds on their natural curiosity and ignites their passion for learning. Through our well sequenced, knowledge rich curriculum and a supportive environment we aim to create a culture with high expectations where children embrace the joy, awe and wonder of learning.

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Our Values

Our vision is unpinned by the core value of **RESPECT**

Respect

As a school community, we are one body that follows these basic principles of 'love god, love yourself and your neighbour'. We demonstrate this by having respect for ourselves, for others and for the environment. We actively promote 'Respect' throughout our school community. We celebrate difference and diversity by encouraging our children to be outward looking.

By showing and living the value of Respect for ourselves, for others and for the global environment. Our thinking, our behaviour and our decision making is guided towards achieving our vision.

Respect for
ourselves

Respect for
others

Respect
for the
environment



We are a Church School

Homefield C of E Primary School was founded by the Church of England in 1962 to educate the children of the village of Bradwell. This continues to be our central purpose, and we welcome children of all faiths and none, from within our catchment area and beyond. We maintain close links with the parish church of St Nicolas. We aim to provide an education of the highest quality and, through the experiences we offer to all our children, seek to support them in developing their own moral, spiritual and ethical standpoint.

Collective Worship

Collective worship is inclusive, invitational and inspiring at Homefield C of E Primary School. Our Christian values are at the heart of everything we do at the school.

As a church school, we meet together for collective worship to learn about, and reflect upon, those values, considering how we can put them into action in our lives. This is an important time for all of us to gather together to learn, worship and grow in our understanding of God and of ourselves.

Each half-term we focus on a particular value, with further opportunities for the children to think about these values through their curriculum studies and during reflection times. At the end of each week, we celebrate children's achievements, acknowledging children who have demonstrated those values.

We believe that by living out these values our pupils are developing their spirituality and are being guided to become responsible, compassionate and respectful citizens.

Collective Worship is structured around four key elements:

Gathering, Engaging, Responding, and Sending.

Spiritual Development

At Homefield spiritual development is defined as the lifelong journey of developing as a person even through times of challenge and difficulties. Spiritual development is developing our self-identity and discovering the essence of who we are. This is influenced by our relationships with ourselves, others and the world around us in all its beauty and pain. We develop spiritually through reflecting or thinking about what we see, hear and read which leads to a changed way of thinking or a change in the way we act. Spiritual Development is part of our curriculum. It is thoughtfully and carefully woven into all aspects of our school ethos and culture.

Mental health and Wellbeing



Homefield C of E Primary School believes strongly in the importance of supporting children and young people's social and emotional development. We ensure children learn about their mental health, what this is, means, how and where to get help. But also, how to help themselves. This is even more important after the COVID 19 pandemic. The impact of this may affect us all for several years and here at Homefield, we want to ensure our children and families have the best knowledge and tools to help them achieve and maintain good mental health and know how and where they can get help if they need it. This will allow our children to fully thrive and achieve their ambitions.

We follow 'Jigsaw, the mindfulness approach to PSHE & RSE.' The school adopts the 'Thrive' approach to supporting children's emotional health and wellbeing.

Thrive is a whole-school approach to emotional health and mental wellbeing. It is designed to help children and young people become more emotionally resilient and better placed to engage with life and learning. The approach to wellbeing is research led and evidence based. It is proven to improve attendance, behaviour and attainment.



Mrs Clarke is our trained Thrive practitioner. Her training includes focusing on the emotional needs of different age groups, informed by established neuroscience and attachment research, as well as child development studies and research into risk and resilience factors.

The Mental Health Lead for Curriculum & Learning is Miss Everett

The Mental Health Lead for Pastoral Support is Mrs Clarke

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Homefield is a wonderful school with a warm and welcoming atmosphere. My children love going to school and as parents we feel fully involved in the school community.

~ Parent

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