



## A Christian Welcome

### Goodrich Church of England Primary School

#### Achieve, Believe, Care

*Jeremiah 29:11 For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord.*

Welcome to Goodrich Church of England Primary. We are a popular, thriving school at the heart of the village of Goodrich in the Wye Valley. Situated in an area of outstanding natural beauty, we are lucky to be reminded every day of the magnificence of God's creation.

Our pupils are drawn from Goodrich and the surrounding villages and also from the market town of Ross-on-Wye.

We have very strong links with St Giles Church in Goodrich. Some of our families worship at St Giles or at the other Anglican Churches across the adjoining parishes.

We warmly welcome Christians, families who worship other faiths or who have no declared faith.



As a Church school, Goodrich has a distinct Christian character which is expressed across the whole school community.



## The Vision and Values of the School

### Our Motto

Achieve ∞ Believe ∞ Care

### Mission Statement

(Developed by the school community to define our school motto)

Goodrich Primary School aims to **achieve** an academic, physical, emotional, social, and safe environment where everyone can learn and respect one another underpinned by Christian Values. We Care about ourselves and others to create, support and maintain powerful, engaged learning through a broad and well balanced curriculum, which delivers the knowledge, skills and understanding required now and for the future lives of our pupils.

The school **believes** in high expectations with regard to manners, behaviour and courtesy to one another, promoting a safe, orderly, caring, and supportive environment, coupled with a tolerance of those of other faiths and beliefs. We strive to have our parents, teachers, and community members actively involved in our students' learning, helping to achieve the potential of each individual, developing confident and independent learners.

The school aims to **care** for each individual child and to encourage self-motivation and independence within a framework of cooperation that delivers a happy and purposeful atmosphere with a thirst to learn.



## We are TIPTOP Learners

	LEARNING BEHAVIOURS	HOW THEY LINK TO OUR CHRISTIAN VALUES
<b>T</b>	Teamwork	We are team players. We show <b>trust, friendship</b> and <b>forgiveness</b> .
<b>I</b>	Independent	We use our own ideas. We value <b>wisdom</b> .
<b>P</b>	Persevere	We never give up. We show <b>endurance</b> .
<b>T</b>	Thoughtful	We <b>peacefully</b> reflect. We show <b>humility, compassion</b> and <b>thankfulness</b> .
<b>O</b>	Organised	We are prepared for anything.
<b>P</b>	Pioneer	We are <b>hopeful</b> . We enjoy a challenge.



## What does it mean to be a Church of England school?



Our school provides a welcoming hub of the community where children and adults are actively involved in learning and sharing the gifts and talents God has bestowed upon them. Throughout their school experience, the teaching of Jesus, biblical stories and prayers are used to encourage their curiosity and develop their ability to ask questions about their own faith and relationships with others.

### For our pupils this means:

that every pupil is valued and nurtured as a unique and special child of God. Pupils flourish and are encouraged to work hard to achieve their potential. Through strong moral and spiritual development, together with an emphasis on Christian values, pupils are empowered to become self-confident, caring and polite individuals.



### For our parents this means:

that they know that they can expect a range of exciting and enriching educational experiences for their children with an emphasis on Christian values. Our parents say they welcome this. Parents often join us in Collective Worship, including our regular services at St Giles Church.

### For our staff this means:

that they are committed to deliver high-quality religious education and collective worship to enable pupils to engage seriously with, and develop an understanding of, the person and teachings of Jesus Christ. Our staff support the Christian ethos of the school and role model the Christian Values in all they do.



### For our governors this means:

that they are strongly involved in setting and monitoring the Christian ethos of the school. Our governors do this by being actively involved in many aspects of our school life.

### For the Church and the wider community this means:

that they know that the school is responsive to, and fully involved in, the Church and wider community. Goodrich is a school that is not contained within four walls, but a Christian family with a strong Christian ethos whose reach extends into the local community and beyond.



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