

Vision and Values

*Let your light shine
Matthew 5:16*



These words of Jesus are at the heart of our school's vision. They inspire and motivate our whole school community. Jesus reminded us in Matthew's gospel that we are lights of the world. As we seek to follow him, we can share his light with others and change the world!

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

We believe that every child and adult can shine and that this can be for the benefit of all. We recognise that we are all special in God's eyes and have unique talents, which we nurture so that each of us has the opportunity to become the very best person that God intended us to be. We want to encourage our children to aspire to great things and for the light of their lives to shine and make a difference in their classrooms, throughout the school and when they return home and into their community.

We also believe that developing a sense of self-worth is of paramount importance. In addition to letting their light shine on others, we want our children to recognise the value of their own light: to be proud of their personal achievements; to value and respect themselves; and to know how loved they are both by God and by others.

Our vision is unique to our school and recognises our links with the whole Polehampton community. It tells everyone who we are and what makes us distinctive.