

Stacey Chandler and her three children feel part of the Holy Trinity School family and Stacey believes the support from school has changed their lives

Stacey has Callie-may in Year 9, Harley in Year 7 and Riley at Holy Trinity in Year 4.

Overcoming challenges together

All three of Stacey's children have experienced life at Holy Trinity School and Riley is the last of her children to be experiencing the Holy Trinity journey.

"Riley is doing well at school. He does struggle sometimes but the support he receives is brilliant and he's making progress. Riley is an emotional child and this impacts his learning but school are incredibly supportive. My middle child struggled in similar ways and school was always there to help, not just with the children, they offered me lots of support as well. The school go above and beyond and put families first," says Stacey.

Caring for others

As a faith school Holy Trinity share Christian values with their community and Stacey believes it is this and their genuine nurturing approach that makes school feel special.

"Holy Trinity is a faith-based school but they emphasise family life and they support the parents as much as they do the children. Faith may add to that approach but it feels like there's more to it than that, every teacher and member of staff genuinely cares," says Stacey.

Enjoying school

"Riley enjoys playing with his friends. Lesson wise it depends, he enjoys R.E., he loves Science and Geography and it just depends on what's happening during the week. He's yet to take part in any extracurricular activities but that might come with time. Callie-may played girls football at Holy Trinity and then she went on to join a team. My eldest son played football, basketball and athletics," says Stacey.

Moving to high school

Holy Trinity prepare their children for secondary school and many pupils lean on the foundation built by their teachers and teaching assistants. "My daughter had a tricky transition to high school as she was the only child to move to her particular secondary school. She's now thriving and doing very well. Harley struggled as the support structure was different in high school but that's improving and he's trying so hard," says Stacey.

Children are supported to achieve their potential

"I would encourage any parent to give Holy Trinity a chance. Everyone is friendly, the parents and the staff, everyone comes together. I think the school is amazing and in my opinion it's an excellent start for children. The support they have offered my family has been so valuable, the time they are prepared to give and the patience they have for the children is more than you can hope for. There was never any pressure, they knew how to encourage the children so that they could achieve their potential, I really noticed this with Harley," says Stacey.

Feeling safe and secure as a parent

"I always felt that the children were in safe hands and well looked after. They offered me reassurance and I felt confident that they had my children's best interests at heart. They're always looking ways to bring new and positive elements into school, the girls got new football kit recently and we're always fundraising," says Stacey.

Younger and older children play together

"There are assemblies, sports days and a summer concert that they host on the school field. That's a lovely event that brings everyone together. They have an annual disco and film nights, lots of lovely events that bring all the children together. The children play and are friends across the year groups as it's a small school so it's lovely to see the younger children playing with the older ones," says Stacey.

Children say:

Harley says: "I still like to go and visit."
Riley says: "I like playing with my friends."
Callie-may says: "I'm doing well at high school."