

# Toby's confidence has grown immensely at Holly Hill Church School



Tina lives with her seven-year-old son, Toby, who is in Year Two at Holly Hill Church School.

## A positive start

Starting school can be a daunting experience for many children, but Toby's transition to Holly Hill Church School was remarkably smooth. Tina recalls: "I was expecting his first day to be difficult, thinking he'd cling to me. But he went straight in and wasn't bothered at all when I left him. It was such a relief."

## Friendly and approachable staff

One of the standout features of Holly Hill Church School is its dedicated and approachable teaching staff. Tina recalls her first impressions: "Even on our first

look around when Toby was three, the teachers were really approachable and friendly. Every morning, when you drop your child off, they're willing to talk to you. You're not rushed away; they listen and are very welcoming."

The teachers' commitment to the students extends beyond the classroom. Tina explains: "They have been fantastic in supporting Toby's confidence. He has always struggled with expressing himself, knowing what he wants to say, but lacking the confidence to put his hand up. The teachers have noticed when he's struggling and have gone over to offer a little extra support."

One of the older teachers explained it to him in a way that he understood, calling it 'brain soup' when he gets flustered and muddles things up."

## Children say:

Toby says: "What I enjoy the most about Holly Hill is working with all the teachers and the different people you meet and all the school trips we go on."



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