

## Making a Difference



A key part of our Church Growth Plan at Croston is to develop stronger partnership arrangements with Trinity and St Michael's CE Methodist Primary school.

Claire Procter the Headteacher of the school writes, 'Revd Sue Guenault is an integral part of the life of our school. Her Christian mission permeates every aspect of our work. Her role in school extends much further than simply leading worship. She is not only involved in leading strategic decisions regarding our Christian distinctiveness and the training of staff, but she actively supports staff and pupils in the development of their spirituality and relationship with God. Her work engages and enthuses pupils and staff, and her inclusive approach allows them to be their authentic selves. Over the last two years Revd. Sue has worked hard to ensure that the ecumenical heritage of our school is palpable and clear to all. Her work with the school's ethos group and Revd Michael Woods Vicar of St Michael and All Angels Parish Church, Croston now extends to include a termly, joint community worship between school, churches, and our village community.'

The impact of Revd Sue's school ecumenical work was most notable at this year's Harvest celebration; attendance of our school families at the Harvest service was the highest in the history of our school. It is a pleasure working alongside Revd. Sue. Her passion and commitment are infectious, and I look forward to continuing our mutual drive to ensure that all pupils and families in our community experience the warmth and love of our Christian faith.'

The school is currently waiting for a SIAMS Inspection. All Church of England dioceses and the Methodist Church use the Church of England Education Office's framework for the Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS). The SIAMS inspection focuses on the impact of the school's Christian vision on pupils and adults.

Revd Sue and Revd Michael Woods are proving to be an exceptional ecumenical team and their Christian endeavours are making a difference in the school. Their work is 'bearing fruit' in the school and in the community.