

St Mary's C of E Primary School, Hadleigh



Lead Now

We are delighted to have been invited to take part in a pilot project called 'Lead Now'. The programme has been devised by 'Emerging Leaders', an organisation that has worked with thousands of adults around the world to develop good leadership skills and improve communities. 'Emerging Leaders' have now transferred the principles of good leadership to a project for children. The programme starts with teaching children how to lead themselves, for example through reflecting on their potential and setting their own goals, and finishes with a project to improve something in the community. Just four schools in the UK and one school in Kenya are part of the pilot programme and it is a real privilege to be involved. Already, the children have talked about how they now recognise their potential and have said that 'Lead Now' is improving their lives. In Year 4, the children shared their feelings about the project:

Archie: "We're beginning to unlock our potential for when we're grown up. It will help us to have a good job when we're older. It helps us to think of our destination and where we're going."

Poppy: "Lead Now is helping us to never give up on learning."

Luke: "I've learned to never ever say that you can't do it."

Andrew Frolish (Headteacher)