

Willoughby Primary  
School  
*'Learning for Life'*



## **Collective Worship Policy**

The aim of collective worship is to provide the opportunity for the school community to:

- worship God
- celebrate together and share common values
- reflect on values that are of a broadly Christian nature and explore their own beliefs
- develop a community spirit, a common ethos and shared values
- affirm the individual and the community
- consider spiritual and moral issues
- respond to the worship offered.
- awaken empathetic responses
- look beyond the material and physical
- challenge and question their own thinking and views of others

### **Statutory Duty of School**

All maintained schools provide daily collective worship for registered pupils (apart from those who have been withdrawn by their parents). This is usually provided within a daily assembly.

The head teacher is responsible (under the School Standards and Framework Act 1998) for arranging the daily collective worship after consulting with the governing body. Daily collective worship must be wholly or mainly of a broadly Christian character. The precise nature will depend on the family background, ages and abilities of the pupils

## Implementation

Collective worship will:

- be acceptable to the whole community, staff and pupils
- include a variety of elements at different times
- involve the pupils.

At Willoughby we:

- have a daily assembly which incorporates the daily act of collective worship, usually at 11.50am
- a weekly theme
- a folder where themes are stored
- make use of visitors (e.g. vicar, charity reps, other agencies)
- include music, singing, prayer/reflection and video clips as appropriate

## Monitoring, Evaluation and Review

Governors determined in future to review this every 3 years. The policy will be promoted and implemented throughout the school.

*Equality and diversity principles are embedded as far as is possible within this Policy.*

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