

Collingtree C E (Voluntary Aided) Primary School

Policy for Collective Worship

Agreed by governors & staff -

To be reviewed every other year

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ETHOS STATEMENT

The school aims to serve its community by providing an education of the highest quality within the context of Christian belief and practice. The school, recognising its historic foundation with the Church of England, encourages an understanding of the meaning and significance of faith in God, and promotes Christian values through the experience it offers to all its pupils.

Collective Worship & God has a central position in the life of Collingtree Church of England Primary School, providing all members of the school community with opportunities for personal reflection and the development of spiritual awareness.

There is a daily act of collective worship for all pupils, unless their parents exercise their right to withdraw them from this activity. Collective worship will sometimes be organised for the whole school, but may be planned for separate groups of pupils, at varying times during the school day.

Collective worship at Collingtree CEVA Primary School is of a Christian character reflecting the ethos of a church controlled school. Worship therefore contains predominantly Christian material although stories, poems and music from other cultures and religions are also included.

Collective worship at Collingtree CEVA Primary School reflects The Peterborough Diocesan Expectations

PLANNING

Collective worship follows strong values and these Values reflect the Christian Ethos of the school. Each Value is focussed on for 6 weeks and all collective worship is linked to that value. Planning for the collective worship is available to all staff through “dropbox”. Our planning also takes into account work in other areas of the curriculum and also follows the Liturgical calendar. Planning for Collective worship includes a range of activities with opportunities for appropriate responses from adults and children and time for reflection. It is essential that worship of God is accessible to all, taking account of the different ages, understanding and family backgrounds of the pupils.

FORMAT – All assemblies are from 9.10am – 9.30

All classes will visit the church for class assemblies on a bi weekly cycle. All classes will also have weekly class assemblies relating to PSHE/British Values agenda.(These assemblies are timetabled in each class)

Monday	Whole School Assembly Led by HT or DHT Class
Tuesday	Whole school assembly Led by SMT
Wednesday	Visitor assemblies or Class teacher led whole School assembly
Thursday	Sing and Praise

Friday

Assembly led by HT/DHT, Parents are invited to join us on a Friday.

RESOURCES

A range of resources, including books, CDs and artefacts suitable for collective worship are available in school. Appropriate symbols, such as a lighted candle and a cross, are included to provide a focus for reflection. The school uses “living values” as a basis for our worship. The Parish Church of St. Columba provides the school with a very important resource for worship, with at least one visit made by the whole school every term.

RECORD KEEPING

A Collective Worship Diary is kept in the hall, which records planning, resources used, hymns, prayers and details of visiting speakers. The member of staff leading any collective worship session is responsible for recording its content and any resources used in the diary. Entries in the diary are to be monitored by the Headteacher and foundation Governors on a Termly basis.

MONITORING, EVALUATION AND REVIEW

Foundation governors will undertake regular monitoring of collective worship, with planned visits agreed. The evaluation and review of collective worship will be an agenda item for the first full governor’s meeting of each year.

This policy will be reviewed every 2 years.