

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP POLICY

1. AIM

To create a fully planned schedule for collective worship throughout the school which:

- Meets statutory requirements
- Is broadly Christian in nature but recognises that the UK is a multi-cultural country through representations of the views and beliefs of all major world religions
- Offers students information, views and experiences which contribute to their spiritual, moral and cultural development.
- Extends other learning experiences from across the curriculum
- Enables all individuals to be part of the collective worship session, whilst recognising the rights of each individual to withdraw from these sessions by parental request.

2. OBJECTIVES (WORKING PRINCIPLES)

- Use a range of themes for each year group.
- Themes to be linked to current RS or PSHE lessons or to relevant/ topical matters
- Create individual planned sessions which provide the 'president' of the assembly with the resources and flexibility to lead an effective session which meets the objectives of the session.
- Employ a range of stimuli – spoken word, drama, music, video, silence/time for reflection, prayer, pictures
- Ensure a greater and regular involvement of students and other staff
- Involve speakers and resources from the wider community.
- Collect student and staff feedback every half term.

3 MANAGEMENT

Head of Religious Studies has overall responsibility for the design and implementation of the programme

Assistant semi-retired individual will share the work of planning and preparation and be responsible for the monitoring of the sessions **in years ? / ?**

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