



Archbishop Temple School

A Church of England Specialist College

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP POLICY

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To Be Reviewed : September 2021

Name of Policy: Collective Worship

Sub-Committee Responsible: Governors' Pastoral, Community & Chaplaincy (PCC) Committee

Lead Responsibility in School: Assistant Headteacher

Source of Policy: (Please tick)

- LA:**
- Diocesan:**
- School: X**
- Other – Please specify:**

This policy supports our work as a Church school as summarised in our Vision Statement:

Purpose

Archbishop Temple School seeks to care for young people and prepare them well for adulthood, valuing the whole person.

Mission

Through our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we strive to nurture each person's ability, gifts and talents so that they can 'have life and have it to the full' (John 10:10) and use it in the service of God and other people.

RATIONALE

The 1998 Education Reform Act continued to require of schools that they should hold daily acts of collective worship for all pupils. In Church of England schools these acts of collective worship must always be in accordance with the rites, practices and doctrines of the Church of England. The daily act of worship may be held at any time of the school day and may be held for sub-groups of the school, for example, a class or a whole year group. The Governing Body sees the act of collective worship as an important part of the spiritual and moral development of all pupils.

AIMS

1. To provide opportunities for pupils to worship, praise and give thanks to God.
2. To enable pupils to explore their own beliefs and those of other people as well as developing respect and sensitivity.
3. To help pupils to respond, react and interact with God's World and the diversity of people in it through scripture, reason, tradition and experience.
4. To teach pupils more about the Christian faith, values and the person of Jesus Christ.
5. To encourage pupils to consider spiritual and moral values and develop a sense of community spirit.

GUIDELINES

1. Archbishop Temple School will provide collective worship each day of the week. Twice a week collective worship will happen as House group, three times within tutorial time, as well as various other acts of worship throughout the year. This will create a sense of belonging and believing which will influence behaviour.
2. All pupils participate in an acts of worship in their tutorial sessions. Material in the form of the 'Noble Doughnut' worship resource is provided each week for faith reps to facilitate tutorial worship each week. As well as the saying of house prayers and daily prayers.
3. Tutors and pupils are encouraged to think about other themes as and when appropriate, particularly with reference to current affairs, world issues and festivals.
4. Pupils are encouraged to lead or participate in collective worship, through form presentations in House assemblies, participation in worship, and tutorial worship.
5. School prayers are said at the end of each day and pupils are encouraged to participate.
6. The Faith reps and top scorers on Christian Value house points meet to consider aspects of worship in our church school and plan future worship.
7. Faith reps and the Christian Distinctiveness Impact group are developing ways to monitor collective worship.