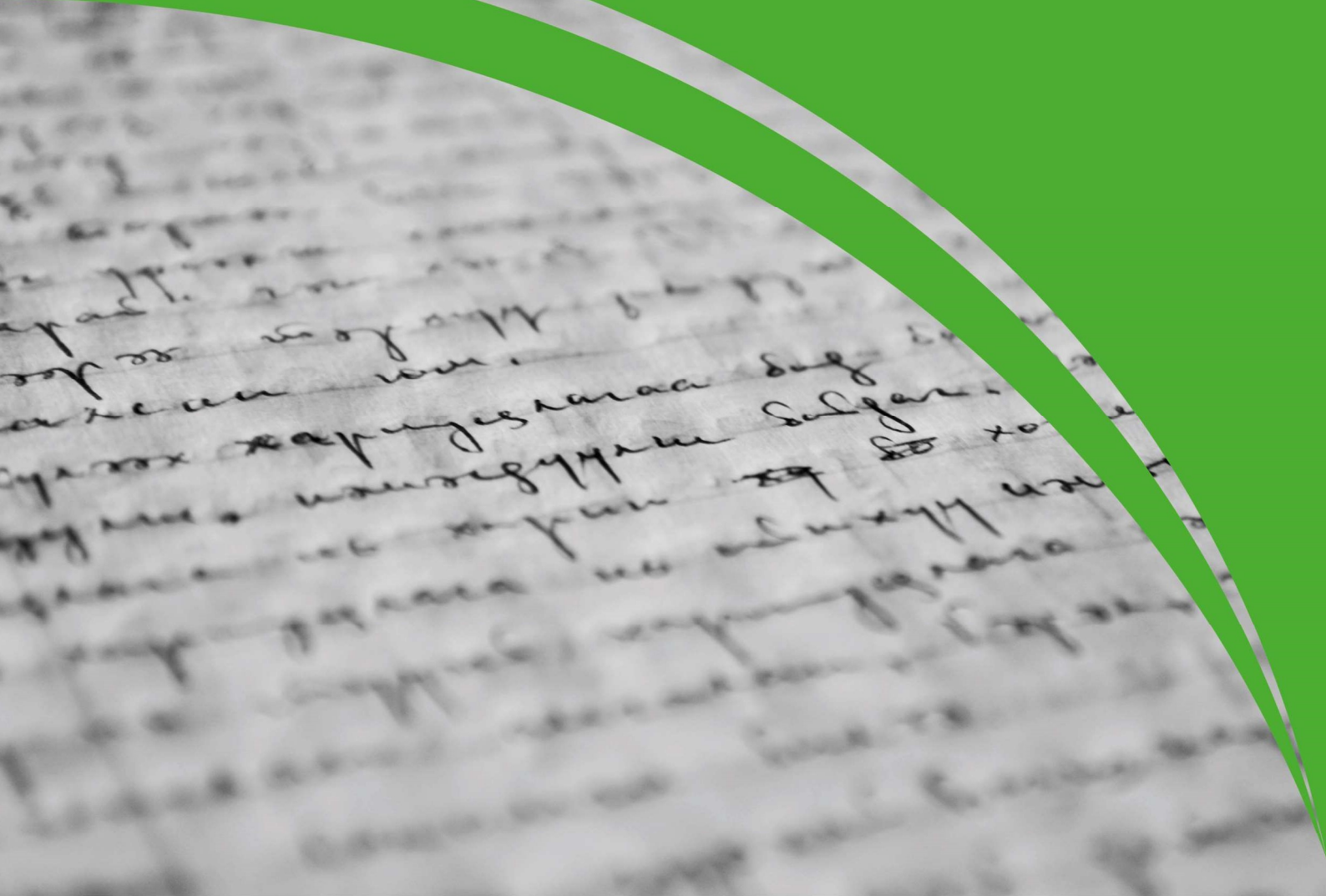




Collective Worship

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Collective Worship Policy

Aims and Objectives:

Collective worship brings our school community together to reflect and respond. It contributes significantly to the culture and ethos of Rodbourne Cheney Primary School, providing us time to consider wider issues both religious and secular.

It provides opportunities for us to celebrate achievements and recognise successes. It enables us to explore the wider world further to develop a sense of global citizenship. It strengthens the bonds between us to enrich our community spirit.

For pupils, collective worship will provide opportunities to –

- ❖ Consider spiritual and moral issues
- ❖ Explore their own beliefs
- ❖ Reinforce British Values
- ❖ Experience moments of quiet reflection
- ❖ Deepen their understanding of the school's values
- ❖ Reinforce a sense of community spirit and belonging
- ❖ Encourage participation and reflective response

Collective Worship Content and Delivery:

Collective worship at Rodbourne Cheney Primary School is carefully planned to support our wider religious education curriculum and to promote the ethos and culture of the school. Each week, assemblies are based around one of our school values and are led primarily by the Headteacher and Assistant Principal.

Through our values, we explore traditions, festivals and events from a range of Christian and other faiths in addition to national recognition days for a wide range of topics. The assemblies are planned by the Headteacher, Assistant Principals, R.E Lead and Music Lead.

Weekly Collective Worship:

Collective worship takes place throughout the week and provides opportunities for pupils to celebrate achievement, reflect on shared values, develop a sense of community and participate in worship through music and song.

- Monday – Celebration and Values: Monday collective worship provides an opportunity to celebrate the achievements and learning of the previous week. Pupils' successes are recognised, with particular acknowledgement given to children who have demonstrated the school's values through their attitudes, choices and behaviour.
- Wednesday – Singing and Worship through Music: Wednesday collective worship has a musical focus. Pupils come together to learn and sing a range of songs, including those linked to the themes and values being explored in school. In preparation for Harvest, Christmas and Easter, pupils also learn and practise songs that form part of our church celebrations.
- Friday – British Values: Friday collective worship focuses on British Values and supports pupils in developing their understanding of how these values are reflected in everyday school life. Pupils are encouraged to consider how these values influence the way we learn, behave and treat one another.

Right to Withdraw:

We aim for our collective worship to be inclusive of all pupils and there is an expectation that all pupils will attend. However, some parents/carers may wish to withdraw their child from an act or acts of collective worship for religious or moral reasons. Requests to withdraw should be discussed with the Headteacher to consider any concerns that may need addressing and to make alternative arrangements.