



Thriplow C of E Primary School

Member of the Diocese of Ely Multi-Academy Trust

Collective Worship Policy

Vision

In the same way your light must shine before people, so that they will see the good things you do and praise your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16

You are the people of God: he loved you and chose you for his own. So then, you must clothe yourselves with kindness. Colossians 3:12

At Thriplow Primary School our vision is to demonstrate God's love by 'clothing ourselves with kindness' and 'shining our light before others'. Every child is encouraged to strive for academic excellence and to make a difference in their own lives, in their families and in the communities we serve.

This policy was ratified:	February 2024
To be reviewed:	Every two years
Reviewed:	February 2026
Will be reviewed again:	February 2028

Collective Worship takes place each day and is the 'beating heart' of school life at Thriplow as we come together as a community before God. Daily worship is rooted in Christianity and covers our 6 chosen school values (service, hopefulness, confidence, kindness, compassion and achievement) linked to the 5 Grace Schools values (trust, ambition, community, love and respect).

Pupils and staff come together for their spiritual time to reflect on their lives and how they live them to the full. Pupils develop their moral and social thinking during worship; each worship has time for silence and reflection to think and pray for what we are grateful for and how that worship will impact on our lives moving forward.

Parts of our Collective Worship are led by the children. After a group has set up the environment for Collective Worship, our Year 6 Worship Lead begins by leading the school in an opening sentence and children from all year groups lead the school in prayer.

Opening Sentence: -

Leader: Our light must shine before people...

All: ... so that they will see the good things we do and praise our father in heaven Matthew 5 verse 16.

Our usual format for Collective Worship is as follows:

Monday	Headteacher-led Collective Worship – whole school
Tuesday	Praise Collective Worship (worship through song)
Wednesday	Clergy-led Collective Worship
Thursday	Key Stage Collective Worship
Friday	Celebration Collective Worship

Collective Worship follows the same pattern from day to day.

- Opening Sentence (see above)
- Engagement (normally a story or verse from the Bible)
- Response. This could be a time of silent reflection or gathering of ideas. A whole school worship song forms part of this section
- Prayers – led by children of all ages.
- Sending out – the singing of the song ‘Send us on’ by Nick and Becky Drake

Holy Communion is celebrated half-termly in school. Harvest and Christmas are celebrated in the local church and Jesus’s Journey to the Cross is marked in the local church at the end of the Spring Term.

Parents are aware that they have the right to withdraw their children from Collective Worship if their own religious beliefs or worldviews make this necessary. In this instance, parents would be invited to meet with the headteacher to discuss.