

Inmans Primary School

Collective Worship Policy

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1. Introduction

This policy outlines the approach to collective worship at Inmans Primary School. Collective worship is a valued part of our school community and provides an opportunity for reflection, spiritual development, and shared values. It contributes to the spiritual, moral, social, and cultural (SMSC) development of all pupils.

2. Legal Requirements

In accordance with the Education Act 1996:

- All maintained schools must provide daily collective worship for all pupils (unless withdrawn by parents).
- Worship must be "wholly or mainly of a broadly Christian character" in community schools.
- Collective worship can be provided in a single act or in separate groupings (e.g., class, year, key stage).

3. Aims of Collective Worship

- To provide a daily opportunity for pupils to reflect on values and beliefs.
- To foster a sense of community, belonging, and shared values.
- To encourage spiritual growth, respect for others, and understanding of different faiths.
- To celebrate achievements, important events, and festivals.

4. Organisation

- Collective worship takes place daily, in various formats:
 - o Whole-school assemblies
 - Key stage or class-based worship
 - o Reflection time led by staff or pupils
- A rota and theme plan is used to ensure variety and broad coverage of Christian and other faith-based or moral themes.

5. Content and Approach

- Includes music, readings, stories, prayers, and moments of silence or reflection.
- Focuses on themes such as compassion, perseverance, justice, courage, and respect.
- Draws from a range of cultural, religious, and secular sources.
- Promotes inclusivity, ensuring all pupils can access the experience meaningfully.

6. Rights of Withdrawal

- Parents have the right to withdraw their child from collective worship.
- Requests for withdrawal must be made in writing to the headteacher.
- Pupils withdrawn will be supervised and provided with an alternative activity if needed.

7. Monitoring and Evaluation

- Worship is regularly reviewed by staff and the senior leadership team.
- Pupil and staff feedback is collected to improve practice.
- Governors monitor the implementation of this policy.

8. Policy Review

This policy will be reviewed every three years or earlier if needed.