

# The Woodland Federation of Peak District Schools



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### Collective Worship Policy

#### Review: Annually

Date of Governor Approval	Narrative - Author	Minute Number	Review Date
16/1/2024	Changed Thursday Worship to state SMILERS worship in place of Star of the week		



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The Woodland Federation of Peak District Primary Schools consists of Great Hucklow CE Primary School, Peak Forest CE Primary School and Stoney Middleton CE Primary School; all are Church of England Voluntary Controlled schools. As such, Collective Worship reflects the beliefs and traditions of Christianity generally and specifically refers to the traditions of the Church of England.

## Purpose of Collective Worship

The daily act of Collective Worship is a distinct time of gathering for the whole school community which is an integral and important part of school life. Within our Collective Worships we promote the Christian values which permeate the ethos of the schools.

The aim of Collective Worship is to provide the opportunity for pupils to:

- Reflect on the significant features of human life
- To explore our responses to the world in which we live, developing a sense of awe and wonder.
- To learn about the Christian beliefs and traditions upon which our society is based.
- To enable us to better understand and appreciate the religious beliefs of others
- To enable us to develop our own response to the spiritual side of life.
- Develop a community spirit, a common ethos and shared values within the school vision
- Consider spiritual and moral issues
- Respond to the Worship offered
- Pray or have time to think about things that matter to them
- Celebrate!

## The Statutory Duty of the School

The school provides daily Collective Worship for all registered pupils (unless withdrawn at parental request as allowed by law).

The Headteacher is responsible for arranging the daily Collective Worship in consultation with the Governing body.



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Collective Worship must be wholly or mainly of a broadly of a Christian character, and is in accordance with the Derby Diocese guidelines, Section 48 inspection findings and the RE agreed syllabus.

## Planning

The values for Collective Worship are taken from 'Roots and Fruits' and 'Values for Life' and change each half term. One Worship per week will be delivered using 'Picture News' and allows children to consider their global neighbours.

The Values follow a three year cycle:

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Cycle A	Hope	Wisdom	Community	Joy	Dignity	Peace
Cycle B	Generosity	Compassion	Courage	Forgiveness	Friendship	Respect
Cycle C	Thankfulness	Trust	Perseverance	Justice	Service	Truthfulness

## Implementation

Collective Worship is held on a daily basis, lasting for 20 minutes.

The organisation of Collective Worship may change occasionally due to special events but currently is organised in this way:

Monday – Worship through songs

Tuesday – Worship based on the values theme

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Thursday – Celebration Collective Worship – This worship consists of celebration of our SMILERS working towards our vision of creating children who are healthy, happy and hungry to learn. This worship also includes a focus on a famous person using Little People, Big Dreams books

Friday – Picture News – Worship based on global issues



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A number of different visitors, including the local incumbents and students from Theological College, may also lead Collective Worship at church or in school.

## Monitoring, Evaluation and Review

Pupils will evaluate Collective Worship through evaluation discussions with members of the SLT. This evaluation will be used to monitor the effectiveness of planning and delivery alongside the children's spiritual development.



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