



COLLECTIVE WORSHIP POLICY

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Next Review Date	3 years.

Collective Worship Policy Statement

Rationale:

Osborne Primary School will comply with the relevant legislation relating to collective worship in school. The policy will be promoted and implemented throughout the school.

Context:

All maintained schools have a statutory duty to provide daily collective worship for registered pupils (apart from those who have been withdrawn by their parents.) This is usually provided with a daily assembly. Daily collective worship must be wholly or mainly of a broadly Christian character. The precise nature will depend on the family background, ages and abilities of the pupils. However, if it is inappropriate for some or all of the pupils to take part in Christian collective worship, the Headteacher may apply to the local Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE) for a determination to have this requirement lifted.

Role and Responsibilities:

The Headteacher is responsible for arranging the daily collective worship after consulting with the governing body.

Practice and Procedures:

- An Act of Collective Worship will take place every day. The time at which this takes place and the form of the Collective Worship (whole school, team or class groupings) may vary from day to day.
- The majority of the Acts of Collective Worship will be wholly or mainly of a broadly Christian character.
- The Act of Collective Worship will be non-denominational.
- Every child will take part in the Act of Collective Worship unless withdrawn by his/her parents/guardians.
- Parents have the right to withdraw their children from assemblies/collective worship but should discuss the arrangements with the Headteacher.
- Whilst fully complying with the law, the school will be sensitive to the fact that not all children will come from religious families.

Monitoring, Evaluation and Review

The Headteacher will keep a record of all Acts of Collective Worship themes.
The school will review this policy regularly and assess its implementation and effectiveness.