Collective Worship Policy



Hillborough Infant and Nursery School

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1. Introduction

We believe that collective worship in our school adds an important and essential dimension to the life of the school and the education of the child as part of the community. It helps our school reinforce its shared aims, values and principles as well as promoting fundamental British Values. It is also an opportunity to enhance spirituality in the life of both the child and school.

2. Aims

The aim of our collective worship is to provide the opportunity for pupils to:

- Worship God
- Reflect on the values that are of a broadly Christian nature and on their own beliefs
- Develop a community spirit, a common ethos and shared values that reflect FBV
- Consider spiritual and moral issues
- Respond to the worship offered

3. Rationale

All maintained schools must provide a daily act of collective worship (except for those children who have been withdrawn by their parents - requests for these are discussed with the Headteacher in person and accompanied by a written request).

We recognise that we serve a diverse community and our school acts of collective worship reflect this as well as following the duty of all schools to promote community cohesion.

4. Implementation

The Headteacher is responsible (under the School Standards and Framework Act 1998) for arranging the daily collective worship of the school in consultation with the governing body of the school.

Our school organises its collective worship to take account of the ages, experiences and interests of the children we serve.

Our collective worship takes the following form:

Monday	Whole School Assembly
Tuesday	Class based assembly
Wednesday	Teacher led assembly
Thursday	Singing assembly
Friday	Celebration assembly

- Our assemblies are of a broadly Christian nature and we follow a series of weekly themes to encourage continuity of thought and reflection.
- Assemblies are led by different staff or children and are planned for within our general Organisational

Assemblies or acts of collective worship should include the opportunities for reflection. In our school we will preface this with the phrase "We are going to have some thinking time now. If you believe in a God, you could be thinking about the God you believe in or about someone you love."

Our Mondays, Wednesday and Friday assemblies often incorporate:

- Star of the week certificates
- Current world issues
- Core values
- Language of the month
- Wellbeing themes
- Assemblies
- Celebrations of significant events, e.g. Harvest, Diwali

5. Links to other policies

- RE Curriculum statement
- PHSE policy
- MH&WB policy

6. Monitoring/Review

This policy will be reviewed every year by our RE lead.