

WREN'S NEST PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Key Policy 2023-2024

Collective Worship Policy

September 2023

Document to be read in conjunction with other key school policies (listed within document)



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"Collective Worship should promote the spiritual, moral, cultural, mental and physical development of the pupils at the school taking into account their family background, age and aptitude and to prepare such pupils for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of adult life"

(1988 Education Act)

Aim of the policy:

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

- worship God
- reflect on values that are of a broadly Christian nature and on their own beliefs
- develop a community spirit, a common ethos and shared values
- consider spiritual and moral issues
- respond to the worship offered

Statutory Duty of School

All maintained schools provide daily collective worship for registered pupils (apart from those who have been withdrawn by their parents). This is provided at Wren's Nest within a daily assembly - the format and structure of which is varied throughout the week (refer to appendix 1). Whole School assemblies are planned termly by the Head Teacher and Deputy Head Teacher in response to community related topics, festivals and celebrations that take place within the term (See appendix 2). Assembly content can be viewed within the Collective Worship and Assembly Evidence file. MS Teams will be used as an alternative source to deliver assemblies.

The Head Teacher is responsible (under the School Standards and Framework Act 1998) for arranging this daily collective worship after consulting with the Governing Body. The daily collective worship is wholly or mainly of a broadly Christian character. At Wren's Nest we have a strong focus on developing shared values (including the promotion of British Values) and our ethos through the school assemblies. Through assemblies we also promote and use opportunities to raise self-esteem and celebrate success. The precise nature of the daily collective worship varies and is appropriate for the age of the children (refer to appendix 1 for specific assembly rota).

Implementation

Collective worship, whether in assembly (whole school / key stage specific) or at a specific time within class, will:

- be acceptable to the whole community, staff and pupils.
- include a variety of elements at different times
- involve the pupils.

Each term Paul Wilmott, sponsored by a local community church - Eve Lane Church - presents an assembly for KS1 and KS2. These assemblies are Christian based and focus on a practical everyday context with a link to a bible story. The children enjoy these assemblies which are always presented in a lively and participative manner and are accessible to all children. Children are invited to join in with the prayer at the end of the assembly if they choose to agree with the words.

Information for parents and families

Parents have a right to withdraw their children from collective worship. Provision will be made for these children during assembly. The Head Teacher is happy to discuss the format and structure of assemblies with parents and would be keen to do this prior to a parent's decision to withdraw a child from assemblies.

Other relevant information that should be read in conjunction with this policy are:

- Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy
- 'Keeping Children Safe in Education'
- Anti-Bullying Policy
- SEND Policy
- PSHE Policy
- Behaviour Policy and Written Statement of Principles
- Single Equality Policy and Objectives

Monitoring and Review

The school will review this policy annually and assess its implementation and effectiveness. The policy will be promoted and implemented throughout the school.

The whole policy is available for all parents from the school office upon request and is also published on the school website. http://www.wrens-nest.dudley.sch.uk/

The Curriculum and Standards Committee of the Governors will review the policy annually.

Date: September 2023 Review date: September 2024

Appendix 1

Day of the week	EYFS and KS1	KS2	
Monday	Big Talk A	Big Talk Assembly	
Tuesday	Thought for the day	Thought for the day	
Wednesday	Birthday Assembly	Merit Assembly	
Thursday	Merit/Well Done Assembly	Thought for the day	
Friday	Big Talk Follow Celebration Assembly - celebrating school for to school for the friday Feature Assembly - A logic/issue to discussions.	achievements across the whole the week cal community values related	
	Class led assembly - Parents attend		

Appendix 2

Autumn Term 2023 - Assembly Planner

Date of Assembly:	Focus:	Who?
Tuesday 5 th September	Welcome Back!	SP
Friday 8 th September	Celebration Assembly - excellent work	АН
Monday 11th September	Pupil Parliament 'Re Shuffle'	MW
Friday 15 th September	Celebration assembly	SB
Monday 19th September	Money Monday Launch	SP/AS?
Friday 22 nd September	Foodbank Friday Assembly	SP
Monday 25 th September	Autumn and Harvest	SP and MW
Friday 29 th September	Celebration Assembly - Food Bank follow up Start of Black History Month Hello Yellow - Mental Health Awareness	АН
Monday 2 nd October	Art Week Launch - History of Art	SP/AS?
Friday 6 th October	Celebration Assembly	EV
Monday 9 th October	Black History Month	SP
Friday 13 th October	Celebration Assembly inc Sulwe - Black History Month follow up	SP
Monday 16 th October	Sporting Success and WN grit and determination	SA
Friday 20 th October	Celebration Assembly	HS
Monday 23 rd October	Bonfire Night and Firework Safety	SP
Friday 27th October	Celebration Assembly	АН
Monday 6 th November	Poppy Day	SP
Friday 10 th November	Celebration Assembly - celebration of excellent work and attitude/kindness	АН
Monday 13 th November	Behaviour Awards Anti bullying week	АН
Friday 17 th November	Celebration Assembly inc Children in Need and Anti Bullying week in school	SP
Monday 20 th November	Influential People in STEM	MW
Friday 24 th November	Celebration Assembly	EV
Monday 27 th November	Advent	SP
Friday 2 nd December	Celebration Assembly inc ELF on Shelf Launch	SB
Monday 4 th December	INSET day	-
Friday 8 th December	Celebration Assembly	HS
Monday 11 th December	The real meaning of Christmas - the story of the first Christmas and Nativity	SP
Friday 15th December	No Assembly	-
Monday 18th December	Attendance Assemblies	SP/AH
Friday 22 nd December	Whole School Carol Service	SP