



WYE FOREST FEDERATION ST.BRIAVELS AND REDBROOK PRIMARY SCHOOLS

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Wye Forest Federation
St.Briavels and Redbrook C of E Primary Schools

Policy for Collective Worship April 2019

1. In our Federation, worship is provided daily for all pupils, except those withdrawn by parents. Worship may take place at any time of the school day and be a single gathering for all pupils or a separate gathering for Key Stage or class groups. We ensure that our Christian vision “Striving to be the best we can be” explored through our four core values of Respect, Compassion, Resilience and Courage underpins all acts of Worship in our Federation. We explore relevant scripture which links to our core values through our worship rota.
2. The arrangements for worship in our Federation have been made by the governing body, after consultation with the head teacher. Our worship reflects the denominational foundation of our school and is in accordance with the schools trust deeds.

Aims for worship:

In worship our school aims:

- a. To help children to develop an awareness of the presence of God in everyday life.
 - b. To bring children to the threshold of worship
 - c. To help children develop a sense of awe and wonder at the world around them
 - d. To offer children a spiritual dimension to their lives and personal relationships
 - e. To provide regular opportunities for reflection
 - f. To provide opportunities for thanksgiving
 - g. To give children the experience of being members of a caring community, by fostering an atmosphere of love, security and kindness
 - h. To focus on the beliefs and values which the school upholds and strengthen the community and family aspects of the school.
3. Every day there is a fifteen minute worship, this includes weekly Songs of praise, weekly class reflection time, weekly celebration worship[and an Open the book worship once a week (at St Briavels) During the year at major Christian festivals such as Harvest, Christingle and Easter, worship takes place in the local Anglican churches.
 4. **Planning and recording.**

The Worship Coordinator puts together a worship rota based on Christian Values with suggestions for teachers to develop with their individual classes throughout the week in reflection times.

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Presenting worship

Teachers in our federation share the responsibility of presenting whole school worship. The local vicar regularly contributes to leading worship as do other guests throughout the year.

It is the job of the coordinator to arrange termly team meetings to discuss weekly themes for worship and liaise with any visitors who may help present worship. The coordinator also organises a selection of age appropriate resources for teachers to use.

5. We have a wide variety of music resources that are used for worship. The worship coordinator has a selection of age appropriate resources that are stored in school for staff to access as needed.

6. **Withdrawal:**

Parents have the right to withdraw their children from worship as is stated in the Federation prospectus. If possible parents are asked to provide alternative worship for their children- where this is not possible the staff will continue to be responsible for the supervision of any child withdrawn by its parents for collective worship.

7. **Evaluation of Collective worship.**

- a. Full school worship will be evaluated termly at our planning meetings and comments from staff attending worship will be sought after and discussed.
- b. Any ensuing action deemed necessary to be taken will then be built into the next terms plans.
- c. Class worship/reflection times will be evaluated termly by the worship coordinator.
- d. Children will also be asked to fill out worship evaluations each term by the head teacher.

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