

Collective Worship Policy

Ravenscroft Primary School acknowledges that schools must provide collective worship for all registered pupils apart from those who have been withdrawn from this by their parents.

Legislation stipulates that the daily collective worship must be wholly or mainly of a broadly Christian character but it is acceptable for schools to split the collective worship sessions over the school year to be 51% Christian and 49% other faiths or interests.

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.

In Ravenscroft, collective worship is provided within the daily assembly or in the classroom. Towards the end of each assembly, or at an appropriate point in the day, pupils must be given the opportunity to pray or to reflect upon a moral theme.

A suitable way of in	troducing this is to ask the children to sit quietly and to put their
heads down so that	they are not distracted, then say "Now let's take a moment to
reflect on	If you have a god you can say a prayer; if not, you can think about

Teachers cannot be required to lead collective worship so any teachers who do not wish to do must notify the Head Teacher or Deputy Head Teacher so that alternative arrangements can be made.