

Flakefleet Primary School



Collective Worship Policy

The Governing Body recognise that the school has a statutory requirement for all pupils to take part in a daily act of collective worship which will normally take place on the school premises.

The Act of Worship should be wholly or mainly of a Christian character.

Staff have the right to withdraw from the Act of Worship.

Parents have the right to withdraw their children. If such a request is received, the child(ren) will be supervised by a member of staff or, if appropriate, a volunteer from their respective belief.

At Flakefleet we provide the opportunity for pupils to:

- worship God
- think about 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

At Flakefleet it is accepted that worship should also be appropriate to the ages, aptitudes and family backgrounds of the children involved.

On entry into school, children will have previous experience of issues such as concern, sharing, joy, compassion, forgiveness, etc. through family life, relationships and communication with each other and adults.

At Flakefleet the Act of Worship will develop and extend these practical experiences within a Christian context.

Weekly arrangements

Monday – Whole school assembly

Tuesday – Class based Assemblies

Wednesday – Singing Assembly (plus prayer)

Thursday - Key Stage Assemblies

Friday - Whole school assembly

Special Assemblies

Harvest, Christmas, Easter and End of School Year are regarded as special occasions. At these times parents are invited into school and the children may be particularly actively involved in leading the Act of Worship.

Parental Assembly

Parents of those children receiving awards are invited in to join the weekly Celebration Assembly.

During the year, individual classes lead Assemblies after which pupils in the relevant class are invited back to the classroom to work with their children.

At the end of the academic year, all Year 6 parents are invited into a special Leavers Assembly.

Visitor Assemblies

The school welcomes the involvement of Christian groups within the local community. Careful monitoring of such visitors ensures that the act of worship remains non-denominational.

At present visitors include:

Blackpool & Fylde Schools Youth Work	- twice termly
Rev Stephen Dunne Trinity Methodist Church	- monthly
Childline	- annually

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