



Curiosity Compassion Courage

Partney Church of England Primary School Policy for Collective Worship

Our Vision

Our small school community welcomes everyone and aspires to meet the needs of all through high expectations, Christian Values and compassionate support. We strive to create a firm foundation for all to fulfil their potential as future citizens of the world. Our challenging and exciting learning environment enables everyone to go forward as champions of compassion, curiosity and courage.

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1. The school policy for collective worship reflects the consensus of opinion of the whole staff and has the full agreement of the Governing body. The implementation of this policy is the responsibility of all teaching staff.
2. There shall be a daily act of Collective Worship in accordance with the Anglican principles upon which the school was founded, and in general accord with the Lincoln Diocesan policy on worship in voluntary schools and the school's mission statement.
3. The cycle of the Anglican year shall be observed and will provide a framework for a changing pattern of worship, using liturgical colours to support the children's understanding of the Church calendar.
4. Use will be made of the Bible as a source book for inspiration and learning e.g. quotes and stories.
5. The school shall attend the Parish Church for an act of collective worship at least once a term.
6. Children will be given a regular opportunity to take an active part in acts of collective school worship.
7. Children will be provided with appropriate opportunities to discover the value of reflection and silence within the context of school worship and to reflect individually on spiritual issues.
8. Children will be taught the words of The Lord's Prayer, different Graces (e.g. lunchtime prayers), School Prayers and such other prayers as approved by the Foundation Governors as appropriate.

9. Recognising that the Anglican Church has a strong commitment to ecumenism, members of other churches and beliefs shall from time to time be invited to lead acts of worship.
10. The school will invite members of the local clergy to lead collective worship on a regular basis.
11. Use will be made of visual and audio media where appropriate.
12. All pupils and staff have an important part to play in the development of a whole school ethos and share together in worship in order to support the promotion of our Christian values of Compassion, Curiosity and Courage.
13. Whilst expecting all pupils to be present at acts of worship, the school is committed to respect the integrity of the religious communities from which our pupils come.
14. All parents have the legal right to withdraw their children from acts of worship.
15. A weekly activity-based worship may take place in the context of Key Stage or Class groupings, in order to directly engage the children in the week's theme and reflect on how it is relevant to them.
16. The themes for each term's collective worship will be planned in advance. Records will be kept of the aspects covered and are available to parents on request.
17. In order to assist with evaluation of Collective Worship, children will be representatives of their class and help to provide feedback on Collective Worship.
18. This policy will be reviewed every two years by the Foundation Governors Committee.