

BURE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP POLICY STATEMENT



Teamwork, Honesty, Kindness

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As a school, we fully recognise, and carry out, the legal requirement with regard to Collective Worship. This is referred to in Annex G of the following document - https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/5a7cd8f740f0b6629523c2b7/Collective_worship_in_schools.pdf

Definition of Collective Worship

We aim for our acts of worship to be an important, integral feature of school life. We view the assembly as an opportunity for the school community, or a part of it, to meet together to share aspects of life that are of worth, reflect on common concerns, issues and interests.

It acts as a medium for communicating matters of significance from one generation to another.

In addition, our assemblies aim to create, nurture, celebrate and sustain a sense of community, both locally and globally, and to help develop a positive school ethos where the school lives in cohesive harmony and sustains the pursuit of excellence in all its forms.

The assemblies address Christian values alongside those of other religions, and are conducted in a manner that is sensitive to the individual faiths and beliefs of all our school community.

We have a high regard of British values throughout our assemblies which embrace and celebrate difference and diversity, and assemblies aim to encourage tolerance, understanding and respect for everyone.

They offer children the opportunity to engage in relevant, meaningful experiences and provides opportunities for the children's spiritual, moral, social and cultural development.

It is a time when the community can :

- Share common aims and values
- Celebrate achievement and special times
- Explore together the world in which we live
- Develop a sense of community

A good assembly contributes to the development of the whole child by providing opportunities to

- develop an awareness of the needs of others
- have a greater sensitivity to the feelings of others
- raise self esteem
- understand that good behaviour is based on self discipline
- consider and develop spiritual and moral intelligence
- generate an ethos that is calm, happy and purposeful
- raise achievement and standards
- contribute to developing personal autonomy and contentment
- develop global citizenship
- develop an awareness of other world religions and cultures
- reflect on the direction of their lives

- reinforce positives attitudes
- Build self-belief, resilience and emotional intelligence
- Consider the wonders and issues of the world
- Consider safety – of yourself and others

ORGANISATION

Monday	2.00pm – KS1 Singing Assembly 2.30pm – KS2 Singing Assembly
Tuesday	2.40m – KS 1 Assembly - KS2 in class Assembly
Wednesday	2.30pm - Sharing and Achievement assembly
Thursday	10am - KS2 Assembly – KS1 in class Assembly
Friday	10am - Celebration Assembly Whole school

Planning Acts of Collective Worship

The content of all acts of Collective Worship will be considered carefully, to ensure relevance and suitability for the ages, aptitudes and backgrounds of all pupils.

Termly assembly rotas including a range of themes, special occasions and events will be followed, but will be flexible to allow the inclusion of current and topical issues.

Collective worship sessions.

Guests will be invited to take part in assemblies which link into the common framework. School staff and guest speakers will use a variety of different teaching and learning styles, plus active and interactive methods as appropriate

Leaders will choose the style/method and resources which are appropriate to the content, the age, aptitude and the background of the pupils. The content and process must be sufficiently stimulating in order to evoke a response in the individual. This may not be visual, but opportunity must be given to express this response through reflection.

If announcements are to be given at the same time as an act of worship then they will be of a positive nature, which at times may enhance the act of worship itself. Announcements will be made preceding the act of worship and a clearly defined break between them and the act of worship will be made.

Withdrawal

Our assemblies will be conducted in a manner as sensitive and inclusive as to ensure that all children feel comfortable to attend the assembly. However parents/guardians have the right to withdraw their child/ren from an assembly if they so wish.