



Collective Worship Policy

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Date of next review: January 2022

Name of Responsible Person: Miss H Clare

The Governors and staff of Lowton Church of England High School are committed to the provision of a high quality education in a Christian context. We aim to provide a school where we can live out our ethos of Caring, Learning and Succeeding on a daily basis. At the heart of the commitment is the notion of the uniqueness and infinite worth of the individual, that every person is valuable in the eyes of God

This policy has been produced in accordance with the Disability Discrimination Act 2006 and the Special Educational Needs Disability Act 2001, the SEND Code of Practice 2014 and the Children and Families Act 2014. It has been reviewed in accordance with all other school policies and related Acts, including the Equality Act

Signed: Headteacher

Date: January 2021

Foundations of the School

Status:

Lowton Church of England High School is a Foundation Church of England School.

What does it mean to belong to a Church School?

The Church of England's vision for education is deeply Christian and focused on serving the common good. It is based on educating the whole person and aims to prepare students for 'life in all its fullness'. This means delivering high quality academic education alongside promoting spiritual, moral and cultural development.

- Our ambition to be the 'lights of the world' shapes our policies, practices and culture. We aim to make a positive difference to students, staff and our community.
- We are inclusive. All students are valued as Children of God. We respect people of all faiths and those who do not hold religious views. We celebrate diversity.
- We promote a love of learning and high academic standards. We deliver lessons that engage and inspire as we know that education has the power to transform lives.
- We have high standards in our behaviour policy so that young people have clear boundaries and all students can learn in the classroom.
- We recognise that students are individuals with their own God-given talents. We aim to provide a curriculum that nurtures, challenges and empowers them to reach their potential.
- We treat each person with dignity even when they do wrong. We work with those students who struggle to meet our expectations.
- We forgive and encourage reconciliation within our community
- We know that words are powerful and use them wisely.
- We commit to living well together by debating current issues and sharing our views in '5 a day worship'.
- We put a special focus on students with additional needs and those who are disadvantaged knowing that we need to take positive action to ensure their needs are met.

The Place of Worship and for reflection in the life of the School:

Lowton Church of England High School believes that time together in worship is an essential part of developing and reinforcing our school ethos.

Aims for Collective Worship:

- To learn about Christian Values and reflect on their meaning
- To learn how to pause and reflect on these values
- To experience coming together as a community
- To develop the ability to reflect on moral and social issues
- To provide opportunities for students to participate in planning, preparing and presenting assemblies
- To build a sense of community within the school

- To enable students to think more deeply about issues relating to themselves and the wider world
- To share achievements, joys and difficulties of all members of the community
- To understand the importance of Human Rights and particularly Children’s Rights
- To learn about the Christian message
- To celebrate events in the Christian calendar
- To share experiences and reflections on the Christian message
- To spend time in fellowship with each other

Organisation and Delivery:

The resources for worship are prepared by the school Chaplain. Heads of Year and Senior Leaders contribute to leading year group and whole school worship.

Worship	Schedule	Reviewed
Collective Worship takes place daily in form time	<p>A worship bulletin is issued on a weekly basis for Years 7-11. This is shared in the staff bulletin.</p> <p>Monday: Thought for the week</p> <p>Tuesday: Big Question/ Year group Collective Worship</p> <p>Wednesday: Share and Reflect</p> <p>Thursday: Big Question/ Year group Collective Worship</p> <p>Friday: Formal worship as a form/year group or school</p>	Senior Leaders and school chaplain to review content.

Records of Collective Worship:

All records and documentation can be found in the Staff Shared Drive. Copies are available on request.

Parental rights of withdrawal:

The law states that parents have the right to withdraw their son/daughter from whole school Collective Worship. This must be done in writing to the Head teacher. Students who are withdrawn from whole school Collective Worship must register at the Library.

This policy will be presented to the Governing body and renewed on an annual basis.