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## Mill Lane Collective Worship Policy

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The aim of the collective worship policy is to provide the opportunity for pupils to:

- celebrate our multicultural school community
- develop an understanding and celebration of British Values
- reflect on their own beliefs and values
- develop a community spirit, a common ethos and shared values
- consider social, moral, spiritual and cultural issues and themes
- respond to the worship offered
- reflect upon the content of assemblies

## Statutory Duty of School

All maintained schools provide daily collective worship for registered pupils (apart from those who have been **withdrawn by their parents**). This is usually provided within a daily assembly.

The head teacher is responsible (under the School Standards and Framework Act 1998) for arranging the daily collective worship, after consulting with the governing body. Daily collective worship must be wholly or mainly of a broadly Christian character. The precise nature will depend on the family background, ages and abilities of pupils. However, if it is inappropriate for some or all of the pupils to take part in Christian collective worship, the head teacher may apply to the local Standard Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE) for a determination to have this requirement uplifted.

## Implementation

Collective worship, whether in assembly or tutor time, will:

- be acceptable to the whole community, staff and pupils
- include a variety of elements at different times
- involve the pupils

Whole school assemblies take place at 3.45 each day and consist of a combination of whole school, key stage or class assemblies.