

THE ROSEWOOD SCHOOL

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP POLICY 2017-2018



Staff Responsible

Mr D Kirk

Policy Date –

September 2017

Review Date –

September 2018

Collective Worship Policy

Legal Requirements for Collective Worship

It is the statutory duty of all schools to provide a daily act of collective worship for registered students. Rosewood School works towards this requirement set out in the 1993 Education Act. In line with the School Standards and Framework Act 1998, the head teacher is responsible for arranging daily collective worship after consultation with the governing body.

Collective worship will be addressed mainly through assembly time and will be based on a thematic approach which will mainly be of a broadly Christian character. (The Christian character will not reflect any particular Christian denomination.)

Students

Rosewood School will respect the rights of all parents who wish to withdraw their child from collective worship.

Teachers

Rosewood School respects the entitlement of its entire staff and will recognise that they cannot be expected to lead collective worship.

Aims

- At Rosewood School we believe that collective worship should:
 - Provide the opportunity for students to participate in worship
 - Give expression to, reaffirm and practise the values of the school community
 - Be acceptable to the whole community, staff and students
 - Provide an experience that provides the social, moral, spiritual and cultural development of students
 - Be of a broadly Christian nature (non- denominational.)
 - Include multi-cultural topics to help celebrate and understand the diversity of our society
 - Celebrate and give thanks for achievements within the school, local and international community, and occasions of significance, including festivals.
 - Encourage a respect for self and engender a concern for the needs of others.
 - Allow reflection and response to the fundamental questions of life and those things that are of eternal concern and value to human beings

Implementation of Collective Worship Policy.

- The Head teacher or senior member of staff will lead assemblies. Each year group will present an assembly to the whole school each day on rotation. The assembly will be based within the boundaries of this policy.

Planning, Recording and Review

- Collective worship will be treated as any other part of school life.
- Students will also be asked to share their experiences and thoughts about assemblies delivered through Tutor Groups and the School Council meetings.
- All staff are always present during assemblies and so will review the assemblies that take place, along with thoughts of the member of staff delivering the assembly.