



Rainbow Education Multi Academy Trust

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Collective Worship Policy



Life in all its fullness

JOHN 10:10

OVERVIEW

The law requires all schools to provide a daily, collective act of worship / spiritual reflection that is on most occasions wholly or mainly of a broadly Christian nature. It need not be held at the same time each day. In The Rainbow Education Multi Academy Trust we meet the requirements of the law in full. Where parents request it, their children will be withdrawn from the collective worship / spiritual reflection and alternative arrangements will be made for them.

OBJECTIVES

1. Each day all learners will have the opportunity to participate in an occasion of worship / spiritual reflection of high quality.
2. A variety of different opportunities will be used to meet our statutory duty.
3. Strong links will be made between spiritual, moral, social and cultural education and religious education.
4. Collective worship / spiritual reflection will contribute to pupils' experience of awe and wonder.
5. A good ethos will be created for worship / spiritual reflection enabling children to enjoy music, singing and celebration.
6. Worship / spiritual reflection will be used to help children understand and experience the meaning of great religious festivals and holy days.
7. Worship / spiritual reflection will contribute to community cohesion and will promote learners' spiritual, social and moral education.

STRATEGIES

1. On some occasions the school will meet corporately for worship / spiritual reflection and, on other occasions in different groupings.
2. On some occasions worship / spiritual reflection will be held in classrooms at appropriate times during the day and will be led by staff and learners.
3. Worship / spiritual reflection will be used for celebration and thanksgiving.
4. Pupils will be given opportunities both to participate in worship / spiritual reflection and to lead worship / spiritual reflection.
5. Occasionally, outside speakers will be brought in to address the children and, where appropriate, lead acts of worship / spiritual reflection.
6. On special occasions, worship / spiritual reflection will be linked to religious and other festivals, e.g. Christmas, Easter, Harvest and St George's Day.
7. Records of religious worship / spiritual reflection will be kept to show that the requirements of the law have been met.

OUTCOMES

Pupils will be offered excellent opportunities to experience enjoy and participate in a variety of different kinds of acts of worship / spiritual reflection. They will have the opportunity to experience an ethos conducive to spiritual development through prayer and reflection. They will learn develop positive attitudes to worship / spiritual reflection and worship / spiritual reflection communities. Through collective worship / spiritual reflection learners will grow in spirituality and experience awe and wonder.