



Beths Grammar School

Collective Worship Policy

1. Collective Worship and the Law

Circular 1/94 states that the aim is “to provide opportunities for pupils to worship God, to consider spiritual and moral issues, and to explain their own beliefs, to encourage participation and response, whether through active involvement in presentation of worship or through listening and joining in worship offered, and to develop a community spirit, promoting a common ethos and shared values, and reinforcing positive attitudes.”

2. Aims of Collective Worship at Beths

- To contribute towards the ethos of the School.
- To contribute towards the spiritual and moral development of students.
- To contribute towards promoting a clear set of personal and moral values.

3. Provision and Organisation of Collective Worship

We have a wide range of assemblies, which celebrate and recognise the spectrum of faith values, which currently exist at the school, but are, in the main, broadly Christian in content and nature, and promote British values. They are given in person or delivered through MS Teams. All assemblies are prepared and moderated by SLT prior to presentation.

Assemblies take a number of forms:

- a. An Act of Worship involving a hymn and/or a prayer and/or a theme containing a religious or moral message. Senior Staff usually take these, with regular contributions from other staff and occasional outside speakers.
- b. An Assembly in which some students participate, organised by a member of staff. These may be values based, eg: honesty, self-discipline, concern and respect for others, or they may contain another moral message.
- c. Thought/Theme of the Week discussed and elaborated upon during form period.
- d. Students organise and lead/participate in an assembly. These are usually values-based or deal with a moral issue.
- e. A special Act of Worship particular to the time of year, such as Remembrance and the Christmas Carol Service

4. Exemption from Collective Worship

Any parent who wishes, on religious grounds, to withdraw their son or daughter, should contact the Headteacher to explain the reasons and make this request.

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