

## **Collective Worship Policy**

### **The aims of our collective worship policy:**

- To educate our pupils in the widest sense.
- To impart basic spiritual, moral, social and cultural education.
- To recognise and reflect the multi-faith nature of our school and our community and to encourage recognition and respect for the belief of others.
- To foster a sense of community spirit, ethos and shared values.
- To provide time for spiritual reflection and response.

### **Statutory duty of the School:**

- All pupils (apart from those withdrawn by parents) will take part in a daily act of collective worship through whole school assemblies.
- Roe Green Junior School was granted a determination by the local SACRE as it was deemed inappropriate for the pupils to experience worship that is "wholly or mainly of a Christian character."
- Parents may withdraw their child from collective worship. Teachers, too retain the right to withdraw from collective worship. Roe Green Junior School aims to provide a form of collective worship that is acceptable to all parents, pupils and teachers.

### **Implementation:**

#### **Assembly**

- Collective worship will take place in whole school assemblies with the exception of the weekly year group assembly.
- The Head Teacher, a member of the Leadership Team or a teacher will lead the whole school assembly.
- Year Leaders arrange a weekly assembly within their year groups.
- All class teachers will lead and deliver a whole school assembly with their pupils at least once a year. The themes for these assemblies reflect key religious festivals in the year.
- On certain occasions, outside speakers will be invited to lead a whole school or year group assembly.
- Time for silent worship and/or reflection will be included in our assemblies.

#### **Themes for the week/day**

This is managed by the PSHCE and RE leaders. The themes for the week are integrated in pupils' planners and are displayed within each classroom. It is further reinforced in the school calendar and in the School website.

The themes of the week shape our daily thoughts. Each class teacher will be responsible for the delivery of these collective worship acts.

**Monitoring, evaluating and review**

The school will evaluate this policy annually and assess its implementation through verbal and written feedback from both staff and pupils.