Collective Worship at Kirk Langley Church of England Primary School

Our Approach

INVITATIONAL:

Everyone is welcome to take part in collective worship, as much or as little as they or their parents and carers are comfortable with.

This means we use invitational language and consider carefully our choice of words and songs.

Children are invited to pray but are not compelled or expected to do so; they always have a choice.

We invite them to pray or reflect in whatever way they would usually as a family, if that is part of their home experience.

INCLUSIVE:

Acts of worship need to be inclusive of all. Therefore, we choose topics and ideas that are shared by different faiths and worldviews.

When we present Christian teaching, we make it clear that this is 'what Christians believe', saying things like:

'I wonder why this story might be important to Christians?'

'The story today comes from the Bible (the holy book of Christians), which teaches that ...'

Our worship should be accessible for children and young people with a range of different backgrounds, and so we take care that activities do not require expensive resources. We also offer a variety of activities, so that children and young people with differing needs can all find something they can engage with.

INSPIRING:

We aim for our acts of worship to inspire those engaging with them.

How might it engage their emotions, enabling a sense of peace, comfort, hope or motivation?

How might it inspire them into action, into thinking differently and considering their behaviour or actions?

How might it inspire them to reflect on their faith or beliefs, and on the faith or beliefs of others?