

We are delighted that you will be visiting our school to lead our Collective Worship.

At Westbury-on-Severn Church of England Primary School we value our daily acts of collective worship. Through them we identify, affirm and celebrate those ideals and values that we hold to be of central importance to us as a worshipping community.

As in all schools with a Church of England foundation, Collective Worship should be in accordance with the Trust Deed which means being consistent with the faith and practice of the Church of England. It is important, however, for visitors to be aware that children in our school may come from a range of faith and non-faith backgrounds. We therefore ask that those who lead Collective Worship take account of this in the preparation and delivery of their material.

Each child at Westbury-on-Severn C of E Primary School is involved in an act of worship every day. These take place at the following times:

Monday	Whole School celebration	2.30pm
Tuesday	Worship Team lead	1pm
Wednesday	Worship led by visitors	10.15am
Thursday	Whole School praise	1pm
Friday	Whole School worship	1pm

Visitors are welcome any day. School worship is planned termly by the headteacher and follows the 'Values for Life' and 'Roots and Fruits' Programme. The worship planning sheet is then produced and made available to all those who contribute to our school worship.

If you have not already been given a copy of this sheet, please ask the school secretary.

We hope that you will find the following guidelines helpful.

We ask that visitors arrive by 10.05am ready to begin promptly at 10.15am.

On arrival at school please report to the secretary's office where you will be asked to sign the visitors' book, collect safeguarding information and wear a visitor identification badge. On your first visit to the school you will probably be met by a member of the Worship Team who will be pleased to help you in any way they can.

If you require any special resources or equipment e.g. CD player please let us know in advance and we will endeavour to have them ready when you arrive.

The children enter the hall class by class with their teacher and when everyone is ready to begin the worship a member of staff will introduce you to the children. Whilst the children enter, music is played and a focus for worship is displayed on a table at the front. If you have a preference for a piece of music or an object that could act as a focus for your time of worship, you are most welcome to bring it along. If you have a song or hymn, which is especially appropriate that you would like to be sung, please let us know in good time.

We ask that your act of worship should last no longer than fifteen minutes and that it includes a short opportunity for quiet reflection on one aspect of your theme. This could be a time of silence or you may wish to play music or read a relevant poem. A child or member of staff will want to thank you for your visit.

Please remember to sign out and return your badge to the secretary's office when you leave.

Once again, we would like to thank you for your visit.

School Prayer

This is our school

Let peace live here

Let the rooms be full of happiness

Let love be all around

Love of one another

Love of all people

And love of life and living

Let us remember

That as many hands build a house

So many hearts make a school

The school telephone number is 01452 760303

Our Head Teacher is Mr David Crunkhurn. He will be happy to answer any queries you may have and can be contacted by ringing the school on the above number or by emailing: head@westbury-on-severncofe.gloucs.sch.uk

APPENDIX 1

Westbury-on-Severn Church of England Primary School

**Guidelines for those
leading
Collective Worship**