

Alderman Cogan's CE Primary Academy

Worship



Our Aims:

- To gather the school community together to honour God's presence
- To celebrate differences and diversity within the Anglican Christian tradition
- To be inclusive, engaging, inspiring and accessible
- To be grounded in distinctly Christian teaching
- To deepen their sense of awe and wonder at the world around them
- To help our children to understand the diverse community that makes us Alderman Cogan's and to celebrate it



We will do this through:

- Using a variety of different methods as vehicles for worship and spiritual growth
- A carefully planned Collective Worship programme that reflects the vision and values of the school and the Church of England
- Providing opportunities for spiritual, social, moral and cultural development
- A whole school approach to embedding the vision and values that is reflected in all classrooms

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Collective Worship</p> <p>Delivering our Theme through stories, poems, drama, music, prayer, imagery and following a liturgical pattern</p> <p>Gathering</p> <p>Engaging</p> <p>Responding</p>	<p>Collective Worship</p> <p>Embedding our theme with deeper questioning, reflection, and discussion at an appropriate level for the children</p>	<p>Class Worship</p> <p>Developing our theme and reflecting on the messages and thoughts that we have had since the beginning of the week</p>	<p>Whole School Singing</p> <p>A time to celebrate and further develop a sense of community.</p> <p>We learn songs that will enable us to deepen the experience of our worship</p>	<p>Celebration / Praise Worship</p> <p>Bringing our parents into Collective worship and celebrating our children 's achievements and giving thanks for them</p>
Led by the HT/DHT	Led by HT & School Worship Squad Leaders	Led by class teachers	Led by DHT/ Music Lead	Led by HT/ DHT

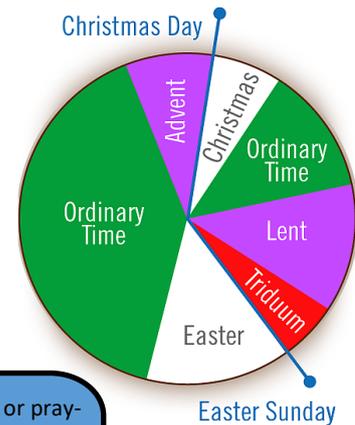
During the school year, we also welcome our Church representative to deliver worship as well as inviting guests in to help us to understand important events, festivals, cultures and our community . Each half term we hold a service in the church to celebrate specific events in the Christian calendar.

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We follow the cycle of the Anglican year; Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter and Pentecost and some saints' days. We use the Bible as a source of Christian teaching, and give it a prominent place in our worship.



How is the room set up?
How is seating arranged?
Does everyone know what they should be doing? What will the greeting be like?

How will you share God's message?
How will you share your own experiences or contemporary events? What strategies will you use?

Will you use singing or prayer or reflection time?
Will there be a practical response and how will this be encouraged? Do you give enough time to responding?

How will people leave worship – singing? silently?
Will there be special words of blessing or dismissal?

Leader:	Date:	Time:	Gr:
Message / Bible passage:			
Gather	Engage	Respond	Send
Candle lit Bible verse / story Song Prayer and reflection time Children involved Sent out with a thought			
Evaluation:			

Resources to support worship

- <https://worshipworkshop.org.uk>
- <https://www.canterburydiocese.org/childrenandschools/collectiveworship/fresh-approach/>
- <https://www.canterburydiocese.org/childrenandschools/collectiveworship/original-plans/>
- <http://www.assemblies.org.uk/>
- <http://www.collectiveworship.com/>
- <https://www.salvationarmy.org.uk/schools/assembly#christmas>

We put the planning and evaluation sheets in to our Collective Worship File. Worships are observed by staff, pupils and invited stakeholders on a regular basis.