



Where?

- School hall
- In the classroom
- St Andrew's church
- Anywhere!

What is it?

- A sacred time that is invitational, inspiring and inclusive to all faiths
- An opportunity to hear God's word and to understand Christianity
- Takes place every day
- Different to Religious Education
- A separate time to normal teaching with emphasis on personal reflection and growth
- No tests or formal assessment

Why do we do it?

- Central to the Christian ethos of the school
- To uphold our school Vision and Values
- Inspire children to think, question and reflect on faith
 - To instill Jesus's teaching of love, kindness and compassion
- To allow the spiritual development of everyone to flourish

Collective Worship at The Coombes Church of England Primary School



What is the impact to the children?

- Children make better life choices
- Pupils develop their own faith, spirituality or sense of self
- Children are mindful of themselves and others
- Pupils show respect and tolerance for all faiths and beliefs, including those with no faith
- Confidence to ask and challenge ideas
- Being grateful and enjoying life in all its fullness

What happens?

- Listening to passages from the Bible and exploring their meaning and messages
- Celebrating Christian festivals (e.g. Christmas, Easter)
- Hearing about other religious festivals (e.g. Divali, Hannukah)
- 'Awe and Wonder' moments
- Discussing the Big Questions
- Opportunity to think about our actions and decisions
- Singing hymns and worship songs
- Time for prayer and reflection
- Recognising our achievements
- Reflecting on and giving thanks for our learning this week

Who leads it?

- School staff
 - Clergy from Arborfield and Barkham Church Team
 - Pupils
- Visitors (including leaders of other faiths)

*Parents have the right to withdraw their child from Collective Worship and should speak to the Headteacher to discuss this.