

Festivals for Collective Worship 2023-24

Each Year group from 1 to 6, to share their understanding of the specified festival in a whole school and to invited parents from that class during Collective Worship time. Festivals have been chosen that occur at approximately the time that the Collective Worship will be shared, but it will not be exactly.

The purpose for this is twofold – one to further develop their understanding of the festivals and a wide understanding of varying beliefs and two, to give opportunities to speak / perform in front of an audience.

Some of the major religions are represented and is designed to complement the learning already undertaken in school regarding important celebrations and their meanings in Christianity and other major religions.

Term	Festival and date of festival.	Class
Term 1- Judaism	Yom Kippur And Rosh Hashanah Sept 24 th -25th (Holiest day of the year in Judaism. Its central themes are atonement and repentance.)	Y6
<i>Term 2</i> - Sikhism	Birthday of Guru Nanak, November 23 rd . (Celebration in honour of Guru Nanak.)	Y3
<i>Term 3</i> – Hinduism	Shivaratra 8 th March. (Celebration in honour of the God Shiva.)	Y4
<i>Term 4 –</i> Traditional Chinese Custom	Qingming (Ching Ming) 4 th April (An observance to commemorate and respect life of departed.)	Y5
<i>Term 5</i> – Islam	Ramadan begins on 10 th March . (To commemorate the first revelation of the Quran to Muhammad.)	Y2
<i>Term 6</i> - Traditional Japanese Custom	Tanabata - 7 th July (The celebration of the meeting of two deities.)	Y1



Class-led Collective worship 2023-24

Each Year group from 1 to 6, to introduce the termly value during a Thursday assembly which all teaching staff attend. Children create Big Questions they have about the value and share their understanding of it and what it looks like in their lives.

Term 1 will be slightly different as the children will be summarising what they have learnt.

Having been at the assembly, the teachers will use these Key Questions to guide them when planning the following collective and class worship sessions.

Term	Value	Class	
Term 1-	Норе	Y5	
Term 2 -	Forgiveness	Y2	
Term 3 –	Compassion	Y6	
Term 4 –	Thankfulness	Y1	
Term 5 -	Trust	Y3	
Term 6 -	Friendship	Y4	