

John Colet Humanities College

Governors' Policy Statement on Collective Worship

The school offers each student support in the exploration and development of their personal identity in an environment that seeks to promote shared social and moral values and to value all equally regardless of gender, race or religion. The social and moral values of the school, in common with our society at large, are founded on understanding, tolerance and respect.

The school encourages students' development of self worth and particularly recognizes that they have self-determination in the development of their values and beliefs.

The governors recognise the role of the family outside the school environment in the development of the students' beliefs and values.

Arrangements for Collective Worship

Within the constraints of the school building accommodation student assemblies take place as follows:

- Weekly assemblies for all Year groups led by the Headteacher, Assistant Head or Christian staff within the school.
- Weekly assemblies for Year group led by the Head of Year or Assistant Head

These assemblies engender a community spirit. They promote and offer to students the opportunity to develop ethical, moral and socially cohesive values.

On days when they do not have assembly there is the opportunity for tutors and their tutor groups to reflect on religious, cultural, social and moral issues through Thought for the Day.

Collective Worship Statement in the Prospectus

If the parent/carer requests, in writing to the Headteacher, that they wish their son/daughter to be wholly or partly excused from attendance at religious worship in the school then the student will be excused until the request is withdrawn.

Date policy was agreed	December 2009
Date policy to be reviewed	
Date to be reviewed by the Curriculum Committee	December 2012
Governors body responsible for the review	The Curriculum Committee
Senior Leadership Team Member accountable for writing and reviewing the policy	Christine McLintock