

ETHOS COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN Term ONE -

Collective Worship Review



19th October 2023

Today, our newly elected Ethos Committee met for the first time with our Deputy Head, Mrs Walker and our parent governor elective Professor John Storey to discuss the findings from our first Ethos meeting with our classes.

We were asked to find out the pupils' thoughts about collective worship in our school. We asked each class 3 questions and these were our findings:

Q1. How do you feel our collective worship this term has helped you?

We have learnt more about Jesus, teaches us new prayers, helps us to follow the Wardley Way, learning how to respect others and not just ourselves, the need to protect animals, teaches us how to make the world a better place, prayers help us to connect with God, thinking about how we should treat others as we wish to be treated, helping us to learn more at school.

Q2. What things did you like best from our collective worship?

Bible stories, Home Worship books, playing our school song, courageous advocates, writing our own prayers and sharing them, celebration assemblies, receiving awards, Thoughtful books, finding out which class had the best attendance, reflecting on our school values, special mentions – Head teacher's awards and achievements from outside of school, a chance to be together as a school community.

Q3. What do you think we might do differently in collective worship?

Play songs earlier as we leave the hall so that the younger ones get to hear and join in with more of them, receiving a certificate when you are awarded Star hand writer, different visitors in collective worship, Hand writer stars sit on a bench in the celebration assembly, more collective worship where everyone is together, more 'frog' stickers handed out to recognise certain achievements.

As a committee, we decided that we would like the following new initiatives to be implemented in to our weekly collective worship:

- Frog stickers to be awarded to Star of the Week, Star Hand Writers, Head Teacher awards & Jigsaw Stars
- Book marks to be awarded to Star of the Week
- Star Hand writer certificates and sit on a bench at the front of the hall
- Invite more visitors into school
- In memory of Andrew Gallimore, we would like to hang a photo of him in the hall, place memorial pebbles in God's garden and re-name our music room to 'The Gallimore Room'.

Wardley CE Primary School Ethos Committee 2023/24:

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