

# ETHOS COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER

## SPRING Term ONE -

### Collective Worship Review



14<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Our school's Ethos Committee met today with representatives from each class (Y2 – Y6) and our Ethos Committee staff, Head Teacher, Mr M. Foster, Deputy Head, Mrs Walker, Father Jeremy and our parent governor elective Professor John Storey, to discuss the findings from our class reviews regarding collective worship.

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

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

Y1 – It is nice to be a part of the service where everyone is together.

Y2 – The theme of perseverance has taught us to never give up on my dreams.

Y3 – We have learnt that it is good to help each other.

Y4 – We have realised how important attendance is in our school.

Y5 – The theme of perseverance has taught us to put 100% in to everything that we do.

Y6 – We have learnt about what Shrove Tuesday is and why it is an important day in the Christian calendar.

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

Y1 – The Bible stories and the songs

Y2 – Listening to the children give their courageous advocate talks and seeing who has won on Spin to Win.

Y3 – Seeing what children have created in their Thoughtful Books and the School Council coming to visit us.

Y4 – Year 6 pupils reading out the Thoughtful Books and learning about celebrations like Lent and Easter.

Y5 – Reading Plus celebrations and listening to fables.

Y6 – Listening to other people's opinions and having 'talk partners' in the hall so that we can listen to other people's thought and opinions.

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

Y1 & Y2 said that they would like to be able to stay in the hall for a longer period of time at the end of collective worship so that they can enjoy and join in with the song.

Y3 – A badge for being Star of the Week as well as a certificate.

Y4 – A badge for Reading Plus awards

Y5 – Change the voucher for the Spin to Win so that we receive a book voucher rather than a toy voucher.

Y6 – Different members of staff to take turns reading the Bible stories in collective worship.

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

- We will alternate which classes leave the hall first each day to ensure that everyone has the opportunity to listen to and join in with the song at the end of the collective worship.*
- Mr Foster and Mrs Walker have said that they will look into a range of badges which can be awarded for special achievements like specific Reading Plus milestones.*
- Mr Foster and Mrs Statham will look into what other vouchers we can purchase to award in Spin to Win.*
- Staff will be given the option and opportunity to read some of the Bible stories in our collective worship next half term.*

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