



# TYNSEL PARKES C.E. PRIMARY ACADEMY

## WORSHIP

Tynsel Parkes CE Primary Academy is a welcoming community, committed to providing a nurturing and safe environment where every child is valued and loved. We aim to foster a love of learning that is supported by the teachings of the Bible: "Dear friends, let us love one another, all love comes from God." - 1 John 4:7. We work together, encouraging all to be compassionate, confident, and responsible individuals who positively contribute to their communities and the world around us. We are dedicated to creating a learning environment that reflects the love of God, where every child can grow and learn with happiness, encouraging all to treat one another with kindness and respect. This is reflected through our living motto practised throughout the Academy 'Loving & Learning Together'.

As a church school we provide the children daily acts of collective worship, which are consistent with the principles and practices of the Church of England. We are sensitive to the legal requirement of the option to withdraw from worship. However, we are fortunate to enjoy the support of the staff.

### Rationale

As a controlled Church of England school, collective worship will be wholly of a Christian nature, addressing the needs of the whole child. We recognise the spiritual dimensions of the child and the importance of the child in the school community, local community and the wider world. We seek to reinforce the Anglican foundation through links with the local church and emphasis on Anglican tradition.

### Aims

1. To introduce and explore with children the elements of ritual, celebration, faith, worship and service in a Christian context.
2. To recognise the Christian church, its' values, beliefs and practices are applied to daily life.
3. To encourage children to reflect upon their experiences and to help them understand within the context of their own spirituality.
4. To encourage a variety of people to come into school to share their own Christian faith in a variety of ways.

5. To encourage respect and mutual understanding of self and others in a multicultural world.
6. To involve children in whole class presentations.
7. To invite parents/carers to share in special services.

### **Current Practice**

Worship is held daily;

Monday	Whole School	10:10 - 10:25	Staff to lead
Tuesday	Class Worship	10:10 - 10:25	Songs of worship
Wednesday	Class Worship	10:10 - 10:25	Picture news
Thursday	Class Worship	10:10 - 10:25	Classroom Worship
Friday	Whole School	1:15 - 1:30pm	Celebration

### **Current Practice - Management and Organisation**

1. Worship is planned half termly in advance; staff are consulted as to content by the Worship Lead.
2. Worship have a theme, linked to the core Christian Values of Tynsel Parkes.
3. All staff are invited to share in worship.
4. Visitors come into school.
5. Worship records are kept and recorded for the whole school and each year group.
6. Each class takes responsibility for their own class worship.
7. Church services are taken by children to celebrate different festivals.
8. A reflection area is used to support worship in all classrooms and the school hall.
9. Appropriate music is played and sung to enhance meaning and provide an opportunity for reflection and worship.

### **Role of Leader**

1. Is to plan and record acts of worship and to keep records.
2. To liaise with visitors and guests.
3. To monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of the worship and review the policy.
4. To oversee resources.
5. To liaise with staff and plan content.