**Gillotts School**

**Collective Worship Policy**

The aim of the collective worship policy is to provide the opportunity for students to:

* develop a community spirit, a common ethos and shared values
* consider spiritual and moral issues

Each day students attend an assembly or tutor period lasting 25 minutes within which there are opportunities to explore and reflect upon spiritual and moral issues. Various themes are followed throughout the year which focus on key values and principles. Sometimes material from specific religious traditions is used; at other times we draw upon figures and events from history, literature and the arts. Personal responsibility and citizenship are strong themes, which are echoed throughout the curriculum.

Parents have the right to withdraw their son or daughter from collective worship and Religious Studies for reasons of conscience by giving advance notice to the school in writing.

Collective worship, whether in assembly or tutor time, will:

* aim to be acceptable to the whole community, staff and students
* include a variety of elements at different times
* involve the students

**Monitoring, Evaluation and Review**

The school will review this policy every three years and assess its implementation and effectiveness. The policy will be promoted and implemented throughout the school.

**March 2018**

**To be reviewed March 2021**