**Collective Worship**

In Church of England schools, collective worship reflects the traditions of the Church of England and develops learners' understanding of Anglican traditions and practice.

Many schools work with the local vicar and other church members to plan and deliver acts of worship that are invitational, reflective and engaging. There is plenty of flexibility in the provision of collective worship to enable all pupils to benefit without compromising their beliefs.

Collective worship gives pupils and school staff the opportunity to:

* Engage in an act of community.
* Express praise and thanksgiving to God.
* Be still and reflect.
* Explore the big questions of life and respond to national events.
* Foster respect and deepen spiritual awareness.
* Reflect on the character of God and on the teachings of Christ.
* Affirm Christian values and attitudes.
* Share each other's joys and challenges.
* Celebrate special times in the Christian calendar.

[Worship Workshop](http://www.worshipworkshop.org.uk/)helps schools build better worship.

SIAMS (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) inspections evaluate the impact of collective worship on the school community and also considers to what extent it is an expression of the school’s Christian vision.