



Dear Parents

This overview of our plans for Collective Worship in 2017 is published in addition to Mrs Needham's regular Religious Education and Collective Worship Newsletters and the reminders of our Collective Worship themes in the weekly school newsletters. We hope you will find it useful and be able to join us for lots of the Services that are **open to all parents and friends**.

## Collective Worship 2017

Academic Year 2016/17

### Term 3

	Epiphany	
	Candlemas, 6th February	Led by Rev'd Larkey and Rev'd Dr Heber-Percey.

### Term 4

	St. David's Day, 1st March	
	Ash Wednesday, 1st March	All parents and friends of the school are warmly invited to join us for this special Service to be led by Rev'd Larkey at 2.30 pm in the school hall.
	St. Patrick's Day, 17th March	
	<b>Mothering Sunday Service, Friday 24th March</b>	All parents, grandparents, friends of the school and parishioners are warmly invited to join us for this special service at 2.00 pm in the school hall. Please stay for a tea party afterwards.
	Holy Week, 3rd—7th April	Collective Worship through the week will focus on the progression of the Easter Story.
	<b>Easter Eucharist Service, Friday 7th April</b>	Please join us for our Service, to be held at St. Mary Magdalene Church, Woodborough, at 9.30 am, led by Rev'd Larkey. Everyone is warmly invited to join us afterwards at school for hot cross buns and tea/coffee.
	Easter Holiday activity, 10th—21st April	Children will be encouraged to research whether or not they have a Saint's Day for their name (or that of another family member). The work will be displayed in the RE/CW area in the main corridor.

### Term 5

	St. George's Day, 23rd April (to be celebrated 24th April)	
	<b>Ascension Day, 25th May</b>	Whole school Service on Woodborough Hill followed by picnic lunch. Parents and friends of the school are warmly invited to join us and accompany us up and down the hill—leaving school at 11.15 am and returning at approx. 2.00 pm.

Term 6		
	Pentecost, 4th June (to be celebrated 5th June)	Collective Worship in school to be led by Rev'd Larkey.
	Mary Magdalene Feast Day, 22nd July (to be celebrated 17th July)	Collective Worship in school to be led by Rev'd Larkey and linked to Woodborough Church Patronal Service.
	<b>Leavers' Service, 21st July</b>	<b>Please join us for this special Service, led by Rev'd Larkey and our Year 6 pupils.</b>
Academic Year 2017/18		
Term 1		
	Religious Education Day, 7th September	A celebration of the Christian distinctiveness of our school. All classes will study a Bible story in a cross curricular way.
	<b>Presentation of RE Day work, 8th September</b>	<b>All parents are invited to join us for a special whole school 'School Meeting' at 9.15 am, to celebrate the work from the previous day.</b>
	<b>Harvest Festival and Welcome Service</b>	<b>A warm invitation to all parents and friends of the school to our special Service, led by Rev'd Larkey. Time TBC.</b>
Term 2		
	All Hallows, 1st November (to be celebrated on 30th October)	Rev'd Larkey to lead this Christian festival in honour of all saints.
	<b>Remembrance Service, 11th November (to be marked in school on 10th November)</b>	<b>Classes to research the history of local people who participated in WW1 and WW2 and present their findings. All families, friends of the school and parishioners warmly invited to join our Service.</b>
	St. Andrew's Day, 30th November	
	<b>Christingle Service, 1st December</b>	<b>All parents, friends of the school and parishioners are warmly invited to join us for this special celebration of Jesus Christ 'Light of the World', 2.30 pm in the school hall.</b>
	<b>Woodborough School Carol Service, 14th December, 6 pm, St Mary Magdalene Church, Woodborough.</b>	<b>All parents, grandparents, wider family, friends of the school and parishioners are very warmly invited to join us for this traditional Christmas celebration of Nine Lessons and Carols. The Service will be led by Key Stage 2 pupils and Rev'd Larkey and will be followed by the serving of mulled wine and mince pies in the Parish Rooms.</b>
	<b>Christmas Service, 20th December</b>	<b>Everyone welcome to join our end of term Service in Woodborough Church, at 9.30 am, led by Rev'd Larkey and Year 6 pupils with Reception Class Nativity Tableau.</b>

You will note the addition of some 'new' Services to be celebrated during 2017: the **Ascension Day picnic** — an event we have always enjoyed but have been unable to mark in recent years, due to the date having fallen during the half-term holidays; **Christingle** - which we have celebrated in school and are sure will be enjoyed by parents and friends too; and the evening **Carol Service of Nine Lessons and Carols** to be led by our Key Stage 2 pupils and Rev'd Larkey.

In a change from our usual Christmas arrangements, we would like to try something different in December 2017. We would like to afford our Key Stage 2 pupils the opportunity to really focus their learning for the greater part of the Autumn Term and instead of joining together for KS2 Christmas performances they will join together for large Summer Term performances, with the usual matinee and evening performances, in June/July 2018 (dates to follow in due course). The main performance event for KS2 pupils at Christmas 2017 will be the evening Carol Service on 14th December and we would very much like all KS2 pupils (and their families) to attend.

Pupils in Key Stage 1 will continue to take part in whole Key Stage 1 Christmas performances, the dates of which will be published in due course.

We hope as many parents and wider friends of our school will be able to join us for lots of the Services we have listed above and we look forward to extending a warm welcome to you all.

Yours sincerely,

Sarah Brewis, Headteacher.