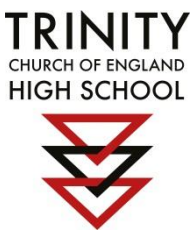


WORSHIP POLICY

 <p>TRINITY CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL</p>	Reviewed by:	Head and Leadership Team
	Approved by:	Head
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AIM/PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that Worship at Trinity Church of England High School is clearly defined and understood by all members of the Trinity community.

GENERAL PRINCIPLES

As a church school, Trinity places a special emphasis on the development of the school as a worshipping community and worship as a whole-life expression. Worship is a fundamental element of each day, either through a morning collective act of worship or within tutor groups through the 'Living Well 10' and 'Trinity Together' initiatives. The attendance of students to religious education lessons and worship is expected, in that parents have applied for their children to attend a church school and, in so doing, clearly subscribe to the school's ethos, values and day to day practises.

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1. Worship should embrace all members of Trinity and the 'Trinity Together' values and emerges as an expression of faith in and worship of God and from the school's values of 'Loving God, loving our neighbours and living life in all its fullness'.
2. Worship will form an essential element of all major celebrations in the life of the school, and students are encouraged to participate in leading elements of worship where appropriate.
3. Each day will begin for students with either an act of worship in the main hall or lecture theatre, or a form activity combining 'Trinity Together' and 'Pause for Thought'. Additional resources for form reflection will be made available by the Chaplain.
4. Regular voluntary Eucharists will take place within the school assembly pattern. All students will be free to attend, regardless of faith, and students are encouraged to participate in leading elements of Eucharists where appropriate.
5. The school will hold an annual Christmas Carol Service at Manchester Cathedral and an Advent Carol Service at St Ann's Church, Manchester. Within school, special school services will be held at Advent, Christmas, Easter, Remembrance Day and at the end of the school year. Special services will also be held for school leavers in Year 11.
6. The school will look for opportunities to share in the worship life of Manchester.
7. The Chaplain will have an active role in the worship life of the school as well as bringing pastoral and counselling skills to Trinity students and staff.
8. A plan for worship will be drawn up by the Chaplain, following the Christian calendar and drawing on the 'Understanding Christianity' syllabus, which will include worship topics, scriptures and hymns.
9. A 'Trinity Together Group', comprised of a number of students and staff, chaired by the Chaplain, will meet to plan for, participate in, monitor and evaluate the worship life of the school.
10. The School Chapel, dedicated by the Archbishop of York, is used for meetings of the Christian Union and small groups of Christian students, staff, parents/carers and visitors.
11. Provision is made for all Muslim students for prayer in the school day.

MONITORING AND EVALUATION

The policy will be reviewed by the Head and the Leadership Team. Any changes to the policy will be approved by the Head.