

<p>to help children discover their place in the world</p>	<p>to highlight and nurture the spiritual dimension through experiencing worship</p>	<p>to provide children with a vocabulary of worship and an experience of a wide variety of worship forms, including symbols and imagery</p>
<p>to provide an opportunity to celebrate major, and some minor, Christian festivals</p>	<p>to heighten awareness of the ultimate questions / realities of life and to provide the opportunity to reflect upon these</p>	<p>to support the search for meaning</p>
<p>to enable children to appreciate their worth and value to God, and to the community, and to respect the integrity of each individual as a child of God</p>	<p>to enable pupils to make effective use of silence in opportunities for reflection, contemplation, meditation and prayer</p>	<p>to celebrate gifts, talents and achievements</p>
<p>to establish, explore, and reinforce the common Christian values of the school/academy community such as love, peace, kindness, compassion, forgiveness and reconciliation</p>	<p>to foster a feeling of community and belonging in the school/academy through a sharing of experiences and feelings</p>	<p>to develop personal relationships and to encourage social development</p>

<p>to provide an opportunity to empathise with the needs of others</p>	<p>to provide an opportunity for children to become acquainted with the faith of the people from the local and wider community, particularly the local church</p>	<p>to encourage stewardship, respect and care for God's creation by a positive attitude to both local and global environmental issues</p>
<p>to foster feelings such as awe, wonder, thankfulness, mystery and joy</p>	<p>to give memorable and enjoyable experiences</p>	<p>to provide an opportunity to bring before God in prayer, personal needs and those of others</p>
<p>to share with participants some of the central teachings of the Christian faith at an appropriate level, and give them the encouragement to explore their own beliefs and understanding of God</p>		