

## Collective Worship

'Developing the whole child of God'

Daily collective worship is at the heart of FORT Federation and is essential in the development of our Christian foundation, vision and values. Our daily acts of collective worship are rooted in our core, Christian values; Perseverance, Acceptance, Respect, Care and Honesty. Collective worship provides our children with a solid understanding of Christianity through daily prayer, scripture and stories. It unites the whole school and its wider community and every contribution is celebrated. While class teachers often conduct our daily worship, children often lead prayer and whole school worships themselves, Reverend Dave leads our fortnightly church service and every other week members of our local church lead a special worship called 'Open the Book'. In Open the Book, a team of community volunteers dress up and act out Bible stories for the children.

### Structure of Worship

When everyone is gathered, the candle is lit

*Jesus said, 'I am the Light of the World.'*

*John 8:12*

### New Learning



The learning part is when new possibilities or perspectives are 'opened up' through the use of stories, drama, visual stimulus and poetry based on Bible stories, scripture or other texts.

### Reflecting



The reflecting element of our worship encourages everyone to consider how the Bible story or stimulus has resonated with, or challenged them.

### Responding



Responding, the final element in the worship, provides an opportunity to consider how God might be challenging us to 'step out' and play our part in making a difference in the world.

