

ASSEMBLY POLICY

Intent

Warlingham School & Sixth Form College is a multi-cultural, multi-faith school community where the values of individual and collective responsibility, tolerance and respect are at the core of an ethos that directs all aspects of our work. This policy will also have consideration for the following guidance:

- British Values democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect, tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs.
- Equality Act (2010)
- Keeping children Safe in Education
- Ofsted, School Inspection Handbook
- Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural (SMSC)
- Prevent Strategy

Through tutor time, house, year group and main school assemblies we aim to provide Warlingham students with frequent opportunities to explore these values and apply them to the world they live in. We will also reflect on how fortunate we are in order to create a culture of gratitude. Assemblies will be a time for students to contemplate a significant idea or issue within the framework of their own beliefs.

Implementation

All students will meet every week as:

- a tutor group,
- for a house assembly
- for a main school assembly and will also meet as a year group when needed.

An assembly theme will be published coinciding with key events throughout the year e.g. Anti-bullying week.

- Nationally and internationally recognised secular events will be included in the main school assembly rota, such as Holocaust memorial events, Black History Month and World Book Day.
- Internal and local achievements will be celebrated through house and main school assemblies as well as celebrating major religious and cultural events, such as Chinese New Year, St George's Day and Eid al-Fitr.

Assemblies may take a variety of formats including:

- teacher presentations
- guest speakers, including ministers from local churches and organisations.
- student presentations
- use of audio, visual and textual stimuli
- time for reflection

Impact

Student voice will be carried out twice a year to assess the extent to which students support our school values, SMSC and British Values.

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