



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

Diocese of St Edmundsbury
and Ipswich

Collective Worship at home - Quality Resources

Remember we are encouraging Collective Worship that is **invitational**, **inspirational** and **inclusive** so please ensure any signposting and communication with families is in the spirit of these key principles.

You may find the following websites and resources useful:

1. **Our School: together-apart.** Each worship / reflection time is designed for the children to do at home. This may be with others in their household including adults, with their siblings or alone. They could also be used with the key worker children being cared for in school. The recommendation is to send one home each week, there are a few suggestions of things to do and more frequently might be too overwhelming:
<https://www.cofequildford.org.uk/education/christian-distinctiveness/collective-worship/covid-19-resources>
2. **William and Lucy** Resources freely available. This includes a book which guides children through the elements of worship and will help children to take ownership of setting up and leading collective worship at home. The second book is a book of Bible stories. <https://www.canterburydiocese.org/childrenandyoungpeople/our-schools/collective-worship/collective-worship-at-home.php>
3. A **Worship at Home** weekly resource has also been created, including creative activities, think pieces and prayers that can be used at home or at school. These materials have been created for use by the entire school community, and schools are welcome to share them with children and families through their current remote learning channels. A new resource will be made available each week during term-time. IsingPop have made many of their songs available on their YouTube channel, great for engaging children at home or school (if you are open for key worker children). They are also planning some work to support home worship that should be coming soon. <https://www.stalbans.anglican.org/schools/worship/>
4. Blackburn diocese have produced a brand new video resource, '**Off the Shelf**' designed to be used as collective worship in schools and at home with themes specifically relevant at this time. Each of these resources asks big questions and challenges the viewer to reflect and make a response. Available soon from <https://www.bdeducation.org.uk/>

Prayer and other resources:



<https://www.prayerspacesinschools.com/resources/177>



<https://www.24-7prayer.com/coronavirusprayer>

Resources to help you and your community to pray in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic from home:



<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCU0THiwLn9TCAHLrqpYGL8A>



Bible Chat Mats. Promotes family discussion and children engaging with stories about Jesus. <https://www.bathandwells.org.uk/supporting-children/youth-children/resources/bible-chat-mat/>