



Collective Worship

Week Commencing: Thursday 3rd September 2026

Welcome

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Courage in every step, Faith in every journey.

"You Belong Here"

Bible verse: **"Encourage one another and build each other up."**

1 Thessalonians 5:11



"What makes somewhere feel like home?"

Discuss the above amongst yourselves, or with your tutor.

Some Prompts

People, feeling safe, being known, belonging and being accepted.

In closing

"A school isn't just a building. It's the people in it. And one of the most important things we can do this year is help people know that they belong here."

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Friday Reflection

Imagine if everyone in the Open Academy decided that this year, they would be someone who makes other people feel that they belong. Imagine what our corridors, classrooms, hardcourts, atrium and whole school would feel like.

What do you think about this? Discuss if you like!

We can't control everything that happens this year. But we can control how we treat the people around us.

Friday Prayer

God, thank you for bringing us together for a new year.
Help us to notice those who feel left out,
encourage those who are struggling,
welcome those who are new,
and celebrate those around us.
Help us to make our school a place where everyone knows they matter and belong.
Amen.

Reminder

Whatever this year brings, remember, you don't have to face it alone.
You also have the opportunity to make someone else's year better too.

