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[Students should be free to excuse themselves from worship](#)

Posted: Fri, 14 Dec 2018 by [Stephen Evans](#)

After two students pushed the Welsh government for a response to a petition to remove schools' obligation to hold acts of worship, Stephen Evans says pupils should be free to opt out of religious practices in schools. [Read More »](#)

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[My children's school has become Christian by default](#)

Posted: Fri, 14 Dec 2018 by [Lee Harris](#)

Lee Harris didn't choose a faith school for his children. But when he challenged evangelism at his local school, he learnt that community school status doesn't necessarily prevent religion from being imposed on children. [Read More »](#)

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[Case study: Difficulty exercising the right to withdraw from collective worship](#)

Posted: Wed, 03 Jan 2018 by [A Pupil](#)

Thanks to campaigning by the NSS, sixth-formers have the right to withdraw themselves from collective worship. But faith schools often make this nigh-on-impossible, as this pupil's story from one academy shows.

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[Food for thought! Imposing worship in Australian schools](#)

Posted: Thu, 10 Aug 2017 by [A Parent](#)

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[Church and State united in denying religious freedom to young people](#)

Posted: Tue, 05 Jul 2016 by [Keith Porteous Wood](#)

NSS executive director Keith Porteous Wood writes on the union between church and state that is denying freedom of religion to young people – in defiance of the United Nations and human rights.

The UN recently [recommended](#) that the UK "repeal legal provisions... [Read More »](#)

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[The surprising origin of Collective Worship in schools](#)

Posted: Thu, 10 Mar 2016 by [Ed Moore](#)

Collective worship has its history in a murky compromise between politicians and the church dating back to the Second World War – and it is long since time the arcane requirement was removed, writes Ed Moore.

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[God “is the man who saves people” – a parent discovers what Religious Observance in school has taught their child](#)

Posted: Wed, 14 Oct 2015 by [A Parent](#)

A parent writes of their shock at discovering Religious Observance in the non-denominational Scottish school attended by their daughter, and gives their perspective on the problems caused by archaic Religious Observance rules in Scottish schools.

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[A parent’s perspective: collective worship and evangelism in schools](#)

Posted: Thu, 17 Sep 2015 by [A Parent](#)

Even where parents have the option of a community school, securing a secular education can be difficult. One parent offers their perspective on negotiating appropriate boundaries which respect children's rights to form their own beliefs.

My support for secular... [Read More »](#)

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[Parent's perspective: The Collective Worship dilemma](#)

Posted: Tue, 18 Nov 2014 by [A Parent](#)

One parent speaks out about the damaging impact of excluding her young child from mandatory collective worship in school, and how withdrawal isn't really an option at all.

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[Sixth formers: You have the right to withdraw!](#)

Posted: Fri, 26 Sep 2014 by [Stephen Evans](#)

Sixth form pupils can excuse themselves from acts of worship – but it appears some schools aren't so keen on recognising their students' rights to religious freedom.

Sixth form pupils over the age of sixteen have, since 2006, enjoyed the right to withdrawal... [Read More »](#)

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[A parent's perspective: a review of the 'collective worship' requirement is long overdue](#)

Posted: Fri, 25 Jul 2014 by [Alison Fenwick](#)

*As a parent of a 6 year old daughter, **Alison Fenwick** argues that the obligation on schools to 'worship' impinges on her parental right to raise her child in accordance with her own beliefs.*

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[Why the time has come to end compulsory worship in schools](#)

Posted: Fri, 11 Jul 2014 by [Stephen Evans](#)

With the launch of a new petition calling on political parties to make the removal of the collective worship requirement part of their education policy, NSS campaigns manager Stephen Evans explains why the time has come to relieve schools of the obligation... [Read More »](#)

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[Secular petitions highlight the sectarian issues in Scottish education](#)

Posted: Thu, 13 Jun 2013 by [Alistair McBay](#)

The last few weeks have seen the topic of religious observance (RO) in schools hit the headlines in Scotland. Two petitions have been lodged, one at central government and one at local government level.

Secular Scotland, a group of Glasgow secularists, launched... [Read More »](#)

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