



Religious Education Curriculum

Focus Areas – Year 1

During the year the students will engage in the following units of work. Class teachers will advise which units are being covered in the Term Overview, distributed at the start of each term.

Who is Jesus?	Students explore Jesus' mission and ministry through an exploration of Gospel stories about his life. Students also explore aspects of Jewish daily life in the time of Jesus, including the importance of prayer.
What does the Easter story tell us about Jesus?	By comparing different versions of the Easter story, students identify similarities and differences between accounts of key events, characters and teachings of Jesus.
How can the Sacraments help us know what God is like?	Students learn about the Sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist. They explore the words, actions and symbols associated with the Sacraments and how they communicate God's presence. With an integrated focus on personal and communal prayer, students also learn about the different roles in the local parish community.
What does it mean to be created in the image of God?	Students explore the wisdom of some Old Testament stories to understand God's presence in the lives of individuals and communities and connect these to their own experiences. They are challenged to look at how they can take responsibility for their own actions and reach out to help others at home, at school and in the local community.
How do we remember Mary?	Students explore the importance of Mary as mother of Jesus. They recognise ways in which Catholics honour Mary through prayer, images and music. Through the exploration of the Hail Mary, students learn about, participate and engage in meditative prayer.