

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### Expected Standard - C Grade Descriptor

Year 6

*Students communicate and demonstrate their understandings in a variety of ways.*

By the end of Year 6, students demonstrate an understanding that people **Discover God** through God's attributes and the gifts given to humanity to meet the needs of others. They make inferences about what people can understand about God from creation. They generalise about the interrelationship of people and society and the responsibility to care for the environment. They investigate how people demonstrate goodness and use the attributes of God. They make connections between living as God wants and the needs of others in communities.

By the end of Year 6, students demonstrate how the Christian message relates to **Human Experiences** and responds to the search for meaning and purpose. They identify and make generalisations on the range of personal experiences that can lead people to question the meaning and purpose of their lives. They relate a variety of Catholic beliefs and practices to real life needs and situations in society. They investigate how the Catholic Church provides answers for this search through its beliefs and practices.

By the end of Year 6, students demonstrate an understanding that in **Knowing Jesus**, people are empowered to bring God's love to all. They compare examples of the choices Jesus made with God's laws. They understand that Jesus began a special community, the Church, which hands on his teachings. They recall that Jesus was filled with the Holy Spirit and promised the Holy Spirit to empower members of the Church. They examine how Catholics celebrate their relationship with God in the Mass, prayer and the sacraments.

By the end of Year 6, students demonstrate an understanding that by **Living Like Jesus** Church members are strengthened by the Spirit to proclaim God's saving power in the world. They recall that Jesus is the fulfilment of God's promise to send a Saviour. They explore the elements of the Covenant Sacrifice of Jesus. They describe how the Sacrament of Confirmation strengthens people. They investigate the lives of people who have been strengthened by the Holy Spirit to live as God wants.

By the end of Year 6, students demonstrate an understanding of the **Catholic Practices** that are part of Church life. They identify a range of literary forms used in the Bible. They explain simple symbolic meanings and the conventions of the texts. They identify the elements and rites of the Sacraments of Initiation and explain the importance of the sacraments in the lives of Christians. They describe the role of prayer and worship in the life of the Church.