

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

## SPRING TERM 2018

### COME AND SEE AT HOME

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

This term we will be studying the three themes of Local Church (Community), Eucharist (Relating) and Lent/Easter (Giving). Each class will approach the themes through different topics.

#### LOCAL CHURCH - COMMUNITY

Early Years **CELEBRATING** - People celebrate in Church  
Year 1 **SPECIAL PEOPLE** - People in the parish family  
Year 2 **BOOKS** - The books used in Church

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Explore the Diocesan website, looking at the number of churches, and finding out about our bishop.  
Read Bible stories together or encourage older children to read a child's Bible.

#### EUCCHARIST - RELATING

Early Years **GATHERING** - Parish family gathers to celebrate Eucharist  
Year 1 **MEALS** - Mass, Jesus' special meal  
Year 2 **THANKSGIVING** - Mass, a special time to thank God

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Look through the family photograph album to help the children remember important events and special people in their lives.  
Discuss how we come together for special celebrations.

#### LENT/EASTER - GIVING

Early Year **GROWING** - Looking forward to Easter  
Year 1 **CHANGE** - Lent: a time for change  
Year 2 **OPPORTUNITIES** - Lent: an opportunity to start anew

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

As a family talk about how you are going to practice giving for the season of Lent. Giving kindness/giving to charity.  
If you have an older child provide him/her with an opportunity to take part in The Stations of the Cross.  
Ask your child/ren how the school is focusing on Lent and self-giving.

# **IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM**

**MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

1 January

**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

7 January

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

8 January

**THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

2 February

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

14 February

**ST DAVID, BISHOP, PATRON OF WALES**

1 March

**ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

19 March

**PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

25 March

**MAUNDY THURSDAY**

29 March

**GOOD FRIDAY**

30 March

**EASTER SUNDAY**

1 April

**THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD**

9 April (moved from 25 March)