SS Peter & Paul Catholic Primary School

Religious Education Long Term Plan

Lighting the Path · Reception to Year 6 · 2026–27

Religious Education follows the six half-termly Lighting the Path branches, supporting the Religious Education Directory, To Know You More Clearly.

Year	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Reception **First encounters**	Creation & Covenant Creation; God made me; stewardship; prayer and the Sign of the Cross; God's family and Baptism.	Prophecy & Promise Human dignity; Annunciation; Nativity and shepherds; Advent, crib and wreath; Jesus brings peace.	Galilee to Jerusalem Magi and gifts; Jesus calls disciples; welcomes children; feeds the 5,000; Good Samaritan; helping others; Glory Be.	Desert to Garden Lent and Ash Wednesday; caring and giving up; Holy Week; Last Supper; Cross; Resurrection and Easter symbols.	To the Ends of the Earth Ascension; Pentecost and Holy Spirit; early Church; parish and church; family and community; solidarity and prayer.	Dialogue & Encounter St Peter and St Paul; parish and priest; Shabbat and Jewish customs; madrasa and Salah; prayer spaces; respectful dialogue.
Year 1 **Creation, prayer & care**	Creation & Covenant Creation and awe; prayer and the Our Father; Laudato Si'; caring for our common home and others.	Prophecy & Promise Bible; Annunciation and Visitation; Hail Mary; Nativity and shepherds; angels, Gloria and Christmas.	Galilee to Jerusalem Presentation and Candlemas; Jesus' childhood; mission; fishermen; children; Zacchaeus; sharing God's Good News.	Desert to Garden Ash Wednesday; Jesus in the wilderness; widow's offering and Family Fast Day; Holy Week; Crucifixion; Resurrection.	To the Ends of the Earth Jesus' story; Emmaus; Ascension; Pentecost; Church mission; sharing Good News; Holy Spirit; Glory Be.	Dialogue & Encounter Church and Christian identity; CAFOD and global family; God's Word; Torah and mezuzah; Qur'an and calligraphy.
Year 2 **Promise, stewardship & Baptism**	Creation & Covenant Old/New Testaments; psalms; Noah and God's promise; stewardship; Baptism, its symbols and actions.	Prophecy & Promise Isaiah and prophecy; Annunciation accounts; Mary and the Magnificat; Nativity; Advent preparation; St Luke.	Galilee to Jerusalem Magi and Epiphany; John the Baptist and Baptism; healing and calming the storm; Lost Sheep; forgiveness and a new start.	Desert to Garden Forgiveness and reconciliation; Sacrament of Reconciliation; Examination of Conscience; Lord, Have Mercy; Holy Week and Easter Vigil.	To the Ends of the Earth Resurrection to Pentecost; Ascension; Saul's conversion; Fruits of the Spirit; Holy Spirit as helper; prayer and symbols.	Dialogue & Encounter Good Samaritan and neighbour; Mission Together; tzedakah and Shabbat; Jewish prayer clothing; zakat; Salah and madrasa.
Year 3 **Image of God & dignity**	Creation & Covenant Creation and poetic language; image of God; equality and human dignity; CST, Laudato Si' and fairness.	Prophecy & Promise Sunday and Mass; Liturgy of the Word and Eucharist; angels and Joseph; Isaiah; Advent signs, prayer and art.	Branch 3 Overview not yet supplied	Branch 4 Overview not yet supplied	Branch 5 Overview not yet supplied	Branch 6 Overview not yet supplied
Year 4 **Covenant & virtues**	Creation & Covenant Abraham and covenant; Joseph; faith, hope and love; prayer; Oscar Romero and virtues in action.	Prophecy & Promise Elijah and John the Baptist; covenant; preparing the way; Jesse Tree; Christ the King; Christ will come again.	Branch 3 Overview not yet supplied	Branch 4 Overview not yet supplied	Branch 5 Overview not yet supplied	Branch 6 Overview not yet supplied
Year 5 **Law, covenant & happiness**	Creation & Covenant Moses and covenant; Ten Commandments; Greatest Commandment; common good; sin, conscience and virtues.	Prophecy & Promise Rosary and Joyful Mysteries; leadership; Samuel and David; Psalms; God's promise; O Antiphons and Advent.	Branch 3 Overview not yet supplied	Branch 4 Overview not yet supplied	Branch 5 Overview not yet supplied	Branch 6 Overview not yet supplied
Year 6 **Creation, Fall & New Covenant**	Creation & Covenant Biblical forms; Creation and Fall; original sin/free will; stewardship; Baptism; New Covenant and Nicene Creed.	Prophecy & Promise Women in salvation history; Sarah, Miriam, Deborah, Hannah and Esther; Mary and Magnificat; Mother of God; God's call.	Branch 3 Overview not yet supplied	Branch 4 Overview not yet supplied	Branch 5 Overview not yet supplied	Branch 6 Overview not yet supplied

The golden threads

Scripture & Revelation	Dignity, Stewardship & CST	Prayer, Sacraments & Christian Life
Encountering Scripture in age-appropriate forms: Creation, psalms, covenant stories, the Law, Gospel teaching and the meaning carried by different biblical literary forms.	Understanding that Creation is God's gift; developing stewardship; recognising the dignity and equality of every person; applying Laudato Si', the common good, solidarity and love of neighbour.	Growing in prayer and relationship with God; learning the Our Father and Creed; understanding Baptism; exploring sin, forgiveness, covenant, virtues and how Christian belief shapes action.