

FROM EASTER TO PENTECOST

Linking School, Parish and Home



Religious Education

Topic Theme: From Easter to Pentecost

Children will explore the season of Easter as the celebration of the resurrection and coming of the Spirit. The season of Easter begins with Easter Sunday and finishes with Pentecost. The stories of the Season of Easter are our 'Gold Star' stories as they show us that Jesus was not just an ordinary person – he rose from the dead and came alive again! Without the resurrection the Church would not have begun.

Learning opportunities include:

- Hearing the stories of the Easter season
- Coming to know that God loves each one always and at all times
- Experiencing that a Church is a special place where God's people gather to pray.
- Experiencing liturgical celebrations in a variety of simple settings.
- Experiencing and recognise prayer is talking and listening to God
- Considering ways in which a Christian family and parish share and celebrate life, and show care for one another.

Monitoring opportunities:

Student's development will be monitored through observation and the collection of work samples for their portfolio.

Affective and Spiritual Dispositions

It is hoped that pupils will develop:

- An awareness of the events of the Easter
- A sense of joy and wonder
- A openness to God's Holy Spirit celebrated at Pentecost

Activities to try at home

You are the first educator of your child in faith. Your child's learning in religious education will be much higher if you and the school are engaged in talking about the same ideas and beliefs. Help your child by trying one or more of these activities while this unit is being taught:

- Mark the season of Easter with the activities of the Parish.
- Celebrate Easter with your family with symbols of eggs and rabbits. Plant some bulbs or seedlings! Connect these activities to our easter celebration of the new life of Jesus.

An idea for prayer at home



Prayer Activity

Pray with your children at bedtime.

Loving God, after Jesus died the disciples were sad. When he came alive again they were excited and happy. Help us and to take good care of ourselves. Help us to tell others about Jesus being alive again.

Amen

