

# **Religious Education Overview**

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# Padua College, Kedron

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"As a Franciscan educational community, Padua College prides itself on being a place of affirmation, acceptance and hospitality."

This document outlines the journey that Padua College is currently undertaking in terms of Religious Education and provides an overview for all members of the community of the operation of Religious Education at Padua College. More specific information for parents, staff and students is available on the College Learning Management System (LMS), My Padua. One of the areas being worked towards in the current Strategic Direction of the College is reviewing the Catholic Identity of the College with a view to ensuring that our Catholic Identity is maintained and strengthened into the future.



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# Padua College - Our Story

Padua College began in 1956 in Kedron as a result of the perceived need to give greater educational focus to the growing number of male students at St Anthony's Primary School, a school founded by the Franciscan Sisters <a href="https://padua.qld.edu.au/faith-at-padua/paduas-franciscan-heritage/">https://padua.qld.edu.au/faith-at-padua/paduas-franciscan-heritage/</a>. The Franciscan Friars, living at the Friary on Turner Road, were approached and asked if they would begin a school for Catholic boys and thus Padua College, a Catholic School following the traditions of St Francis was founded for boys in Years 5 to 12. The College is named after the university in northern Italy where St Anthony died. The College holds St Anthony as particularly significant because of his academic focus, being the first professor of theology among the Franciscans. The College's philosophy on Faith Education can be found on the College Website at:

### https://padua.qld.edu.au/faith-at-padua/our-faith-religious-mission/.

Padua College now has two campuses (Greccio – Years 5 & 6, and Assisi – Years 7 to 12). This is a Religious Institute (Independent) College owned by the Franciscan Order of Friars Minors. There is a deep connection between Padua College and the Franciscan friars. Over the years, the number of teaching Friars on staff has dwindled but we still have our College Chaplain and former Rector, Father John Boyd-Boland on staff <a href="https://padua.qld.edu.au/faith-at-padua/college-chaplain/">https://padua.qld.edu.au/faith-at-padua/college-chaplain/</a>. There is a continuing connection between Padua College, the Kedron Friary and the Little Flower Parish (operating in the Franciscan tradition).



Original classroom building, now heritage listed and still used as a learning space today.



# **Our Students and Community**

The Teaching and Learning Vision of Padua College is clearly expressed on our College Website <a href="https://padua.qld.edu.au/learn-at-padua/learning-framework/">https://padua.qld.edu.au/learn-at-padua/learning-framework/</a> and is a lived document. It is from this document that all decisions regarding Teaching and Learning are justified and validated. The Teaching and Learning Vision is based on the College Mission and Strategic Plan <a href="https://padua.qld.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/Padua-College-Strategic-Plan.pdf">https://padua.qld.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/Padua-College-Strategic-Plan.pdf</a> with a specific Teaching and Learning focus. This document aligns closely with the Catholic View of Teaching and Learning in that the learner is central to the focus and the process.



The Padua College Learning Framework is a conceptual framework for learning that places the learner at the centre of learning, recognises the critical role of teachers, and acknowledges the key role of parents as partners in the education and shaping of their son. The Learning Framework provides clarity around what good learning looks like and the agreed practices that underpin this.

### Learning Vision

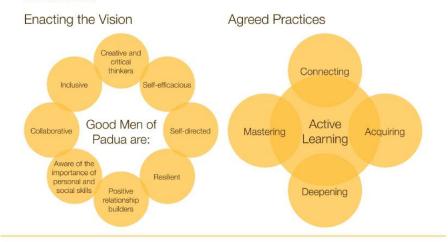
In accordance with relevant regulatory bodies and the Alice Springs (Mparntwe) Declaration goals of 1) promoting excellence and equity and 2) developing confident and creative individuals, successful lifelong learners, and active and informed members of the community, Padua College will educate and inspire our good men to live in the spirit of the Gospel, following in the footsteps of St Francis of Assisi, providing a Catholic education that develops young men of wisdom, service and quiet strenoth.

The Vision will be enacted in the following ways:

- Making learning visible
- · Establishing a culture of supported, self-directed learning
- Using feedback to inform and support learning
- Empowering students to understand and embrace their role as a learner
- Explicit teaching of skills
- Explicit teaching of problem solving strategies
- Encouraging open communication with students, staff and parents
- Using educational data to enhance student learning and personalisation
   Valuing and catering for diverse learning needs and pathways
- Recognising that academic success takes different forms for different
- Providing meaningful learning experiences

### Learning Statement

Learning requires engagement with a range of appropriately challenging learning experiences, opportunities and self-directed learning scenarios that enable the learner to acquire new knowledge, deepen their understanding, developing mastery of both skills and content, and be confident to independently apply this learning to new and unfamiliar situations.





# **Our Vision for Religious Education**

Each faculty at Padua College is going through a process of creating a subject specific vision statement that supports the Teaching and Learning Vision while giving a clear focus for the faculty. The RE Faculty Vision Statement at Padua College is:

Religious Education at Padua College is inspired by Franciscan values and beliefs, which are themselves drawn from the mission and teaching of Jesus in the Gospels. A whole school approach to religious education promotes an evolving structure to a student's understanding of faith. From Years 5 to 12, a student will study the strands of the Brisbane Archdiocesan Religion Curriculum, namely: Sacred Texts; Christian Belief; the Church community and Christian Living, primarily from a Catholic and Franciscan world view, while engaging in dialogue with and honouring other viewpoints and religious traditions.

The Vision will be enacted in the following ways:

- Developing a holistic approach to teaching the Sacred Texts in a differentiated learning environment to engage all learners at all stages of development and to engage them in the three worlds of the text (World Behind the Text, World of the Text and World in Front of the Text)
- Encouraging creative thinking through activities, responding to Sacred and other texts and discussion
- Explicitly teaching critical-thinking and problem solving-strategies focussing on living out one's faith
- Encouraging students to make their own informed decisions starting from their own explorations of Catholic/Christian beliefs and teachings
- Supporting and developing life-long students of faith, whatever their faith tradition.



The Little Flower Parish Grotto – A Sacred place for all Paduans.

### Faith and Family Demographics

In alignment with the Brisbane Archdiocesan Vision for Religious Education, Padua's vision for RE is to balance the teaching of religion with the teaching of Catholicism and the Franciscan tradition.

- Padua College has a predominately middle-class clientele with over 80% of families identifying their nationality as Australian or New Zealand (based on the Padua College Leuven Report 2015).
- Approximately 65% of staff, students and parents identify themselves as Catholic with a further 15 to 20% identifying themselves as Christian (based on the Padua College Leuven Report 2015)



- Religious Education is a compulsory subject in each year from Years 5 to 12. In Years 11 and
  12, all students are enrolled in Catholic Studies, a subject that supports the faith filled life of
  the College, is focussed on experiences and connects students with the wider Catholic
  Community through mission, experiences and Catholic Education. Study of Religion (SOR)
  and Religion and Ethics are offered as electives in Years 11 and 12.
- Padua College has a range of students from differing religious and cultural backgrounds. Of our student population, the majority identify as being Catholic or as shown below, attending a Catholic Primary School.

#### Secondary college students who attended a Catholic primary school

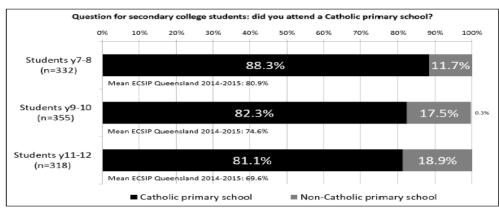


Figure A.3 — Ratio of secondary college students who attended a Catholic primary school.

Figure A.3 shows the percentage of secondary college students who attended a Catholic primary school (black) compared to those who went to a non-Catholic primary school (grey). In between the bars are the mean percentages in secondary colleges throughout Queensland 2014-2015

taken from Leuven Report

### The Contemporary Contexts of Religious Education

The four contemporary contexts of Religious Education as specified in the BCE RE Curriculum are incorporated into our Religious Education units as summed up below:

# **Our Societal Context**

While we teach and explore the fundamentals of Catholicism our units, specifically in terms of social justice, social action, the Gospels and Franciscan Traditions, we recognise that not all of our community are Catholic and that many come to our College with a variety of world views.

### **Our Ecclesial Context**

We recognise that many of our community are not actively engaged in a Parish and that as a College, we have an opportunity and a responsibility to develop a greater understanding of Catholicism and a greater connection with the practices of the Church. This is further enhanced through our regular Friday Mass, special Masses and Liturgies, Mission projects, our approach to pastoral care <a href="https://padua.qld.edu.au/spirit-of-padua/pastoral-care/">https://padua.qld.edu.au/spirit-of-padua/pastoral-care/</a> and our close relationship with the Little Flower Parish which shares a common boundary with Padua.

### **Our Educational Context**

We believe that school is primarily a place for teaching and learning and that includes lessons both inside and outside the classroom. We do not believe that there is a separation between learning



and formation but that our religious focus needs to be clearly aligned to our central purpose. From a Religious Education perspective, Padua attempts to ensure that students are adequately equipped to make decisions based on Christian values in what is an ever changing world. We use the Gospels as a focus for learning about our faith and how the values of the Gospels can be used when making real world decisions.

# **Our Digital Context**

Padua College Head of Pedagogy and Digital Integration, liaises with all faculties to enhance the digital literacy skills embedded in units across all faculties.

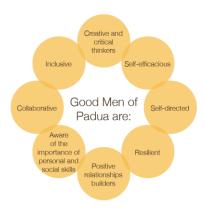
- All students have 1:1 laptops.
- Students agree to our computer usage policies and agreements to ensure appropriate use of technology.
- Staff are supported with technology through out extensive Professional Learning Program entitled Mastering Our Craft.

### Our Beliefs About Learners and Learning in the Religious Classroom

The learner is central to the development of our Religious Education program with the Post Critical Belief approach forming the basis of our approach. A Post Critical Belief is a believing style that helps students think about their religion critically and symbolically. Our focus is on providing opportunities within our program for all students to access our RE curriculum in a way that suits their learning needs. This includes working with the Learning Enrichment Centre to identify students who need adjusted programs and assessment. Life-long learning and problem solving are central to our Teaching and Learning Vision and we endeavour to develop learners who question and make informed decisions in the information rich age they live in. The following outlines processes put in place to facilitate the above-mentioned outcome:

- The scope and sequence for RE is a dynamic document that is reviewed annually as part of ongoing reflection on teaching practice (see scope and sequence at the end of this document).
- Teachers in all faculty areas collaboratively discuss ideas in relation to suggested units for each term during scheduled faculty meetings and Unit Plans are published to staff via My Padua, the College's Learning Management System (LMS).
- A wide range of activities are built into the curriculum that cater to a diverse range of religious backgrounds.
- The My Padua LMS gives the Padua Community access to Yearly Overviews for each subject, links to resources and learning activities, access to assessment, goal setting and results.
- My Padua allows students to access overviews, resources and assessment for all subjects in every year level. Information is also available on My Padua regarding the religious life of the school and students' faith formation.
- All Faculties at Padua College utilise a consistent approach to unit planning, including a standardised unit plan template that supports the College Learning Framework.





• The College approach to unit development is based on the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA) template for unit planning and is founded in the notion of Understanding by Design (Wiggins and McTighe) and Backward Planning. All units at Padua begin with Learning Goals and Success Criteria that link directly to the Achievement Standard for the year being taught and from which the assessment item for the unit is directly drawn from. Teachers are involved in unit planning and adherence to the Unit Plan once finalised is reinforced and overseen by the Learning Area Leader.

At a class and individual level, students at Padua are engaged in a rich Franciscan tradition of welcome and inclusion and the RE program seeks to acknowledge diversity of backgrounds amongst learners. Enrolment information regarding religious backgrounds is used as part of this process ensuring that while the Franciscan ethos underpins many of the processes at Padua and Franciscan studies are embedded in the RE curriculum to engage all learners in the College charism, the religious diversity of our students and families is considered. In this regard and in the light of the findings of the Leuven Report, Padua College is moving towards the Dialogue School Model which profiles the Catholic faith amidst the diversity of contemporary society. While Catholicism forms a significant viewpoint in our RE curriculum, this viewpoint is supported by a range of viewpoints and religious standpoints when exploring issues and the world we live in.

### To this end:

Students are encouraged to make the Franciscan story their story and this narrative is
pervasive throughout the College. The Franciscan story provides an inclusive framework for
students of both Catholic and non-Catholic backgrounds. Its basic principles of joy, humility
and helping others sits alongside the values and practices of most world religions.





- Units of work are designed, planned and sequenced to create a journey of discovery of the complexities of belief, allowing students to progress towards a more sophisticated understanding in the upper secondary.
- Differentiated learning experiences and tasks seek to create inclusive learning and provide access for all students to the Catholic faith tradition and the Franciscan narrative, as part of their own faith journey.

### **Collaborative Planning**

Padua College is a 5-12 College and has a population of approximately 1350 students. In Years 5 and 6, there are 6 classes working in 6 collaborative learning pods. In Years 7-12, there are 6 classes at each year level.

The planning and development of units of work in Religious Education takes the following format:

- a) Planning days are allocated on Student Free Days at the beginning of each Semester and Faculties meet twice per term for 90 minutes each time. There is one twilight meeting per term for all faculties
- b) In addition, Teachers in Years 5, 6 and 7 are released for 1 lesson per week to work on unit creation and preparation for the 5 Core Subjects of which Religion is one. This process is facilitated by the Vice Rector of Teaching and Learning, the Head of Curriculum 5-9 (overall), the Head of Curriculum 10-12 (overall), the Learning Area Leader RE 5-9 and the Learning Area Leader RE 10-12. Key teachers across all year levels provide leadership to each teaching team in consultation with Learning Area Leaders and teachers.
- c) Teachers in all faculty areas use a standardised unit plan template and follow a standardised approach to collaborative planning.
- d) All teachers at Padua College have 1 timetabled and directed professional learning period per two-week cycle.

### Communication to Families and the Wider Community

At Padua College, every effort is made to ensure parents are informed and engaged their son's education. The College Learning Management System (LMS), My Padua, is the primary location for students to access yearly overviews, unit plans, up to date assessment information and learning resources. My Padua



courses are set up per subject and year level. The Religious Education Overview and a range of information about the Faith Life of the College is available on the College Website <a href="https://padua.qld.edu.au/learn-at-padua/religious-education/">https://padua.qld.edu.au/learn-at-padua/religious-education/</a>. The College offers three opportunities in the calendar year for parents to meet with teachers and parents are always welcome to contact teachers at any time. Teachers monitor student performance and communicate with families and students via the Mi Class system using PC school.

### Impact of Religious Institute Initiatives

As the only Franciscan owned College in Australia, we operate as a stand-alone Religious Institute School. Having said that Padua recognises the teaching authority of the Brisbane Archdiocese and adheres to Archdiocesan Religious Education requirements. The Teaching and Learning Vision of the College and Lifelong Learning Framework (LLF) aligns with Brisbane Catholic Education (BCE) documents to set a clear direction for our entire community in terms of our vision for learning into the future.

As we are a Franciscan community our college participates in a variety of outreach activities which embody the Franciscan virtues. The importance of these virtues is stressed on a weekly basis via emails from Fr John Boyd-Boland. The College also offers pilgrimages to Assisi which allows students and teachers to gain greater insight into the Catholic tradition and in particular the way in which St Francis, in the medieval church, was informed by gospel teachings.



# Our Curriculum Structure and Organisation for Religious Education

# A Catholic View of Learning

At Padua, the Catholic view and Franciscan tradition of religion focuses on Jesus as the centre and recognises that each member of the Padua community is created in the image of God. To that extent we believe that the role of the contemporary educator of Religious Education is to 'teach, challenge and transform'. To this end, the Christian view of anthropology, epistemology, cosmology and the Catholic Christian Story and Tradition are built into our teaching and learning programs in RE. For more information on these terms, please refer to the following link:

http://www.rec.bne.catholic.edu.au/The%20Shape%20of%20Religious%20Education/Pages/A-Catholic-View-of-Learning-and-Teaching.aspx

The organisation of the Padua RE program is centred on teaching religion explicitly and identifying how people are religious in a particular way. We do this by utilising an inquiry approach whereby each unit is centred around a key fertile question with supporting inquiry questions further giving clarity to the unit direction. Students are encouraged to explore the fertile and inquiry questions of each unit to create a lifelong approach to learning in all subject areas.

# Catholic View of Christian Anthropology

A Catholic view of Christian anthropology focusses on the person of Jesus. It recognizes that each person is created in the image of God. It emphasizes the role of Jesus as teacher and recognizes that the Holy Spirit infuses the whole curriculum with a hope-filled vision of life. Padua College, it is



characterized by inclusion, holistic and relational learning, and action in community. As an example of this, students work collaboratively across subject areas and are involved in outreach activities such as

- Rosie's Street Van
- Padua College Winter Sleep Out
- Year 9 Social Action of the Church projects
- Good Samaritans (helping people in their homes, simple duties and tasks)
- Little King's Appeal
- St Vincent de Paul food and Christmas appeal
- Blind Eye Ministries
- Catholic Studies Service Journal

### Catholic View on Epistemology

A Catholic perspective on epistemology orients a curriculum towards rationality; holistic knowing; knowing and living; wisdom as the fruit of knowing and life-long and life-wide learning.

The Catholic tradition views the acquisition of knowledge as a lifelong pursuit. Reflective, self-directed learning and teaching provides opportunities for teachers and students to increase their knowledge of the faith and consider their own faith journey. Some examples of this at Padua include students learning from hands on experiences which are linked to the faith life of the College (refer to the scope and sequence at the end of this document) and that students are encouraged to develop knowledge life-long learning in the classroom through investigations of fertile and key questions.

### Catholic View of Cosmology

Cosmology relates to how we understand our place in the universe and the choices we make to live as a part of creation. Through the elements of stewardship and sacramentality, Catholic Christians are called to respond to questions such as; 'What is our place in the universe?' 'How do we act with integrity within creation?' This understanding is supported at Padua through an intellectual approach to Cosmology in the senior SOR program and a Franciscan approach to Stewardship of creation in the junior RE program. In addition, students are challenged to be critical thinkers via a range of learning scenarios and are exposed to different ideas and strategies to assist their thinking and learning in alignment with the Teaching and Learning Vision of the College.

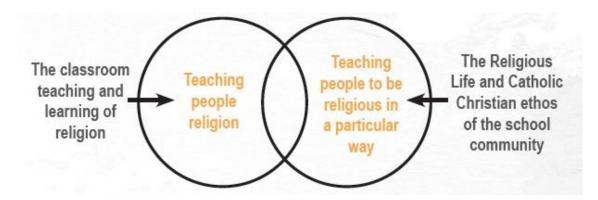
# **Catholic Christian Story and Tradition**

From the very beginning of Christianity, the Christian community has been engaged in teaching. The transformative process of learning and teaching is captured in the Vision of the Archdiocese of Brisbane to *Teach, Challenge and Transform*. This Vision is realized at Padua College through everyday witness; and learning and teaching that challenges and transforms the culture and the world in which we live.

Ongoing spiritual formation for religious educators is as important as professional and theological learning. A people-centered understanding of spiritual formation begins with honoring and exploring the personal narrative of individual's experience of 'My Story' through an approach that engages the head, the heart and the hands (experience, knowledge, practice and application). This approach is



supported at Padua College by experiences such as retreat days, outreach activities including Rosie's Street Vans, personal reflections conducted on camps in every year level and House liturgies.



# The Reconceptualist Approach to Teaching and Learning in Religious Education

At Padua College, the teaching of Religious Education is deeply imbued with the Catholic faith tradition and embraces a reconceptualist approach to teaching. Students are encouraged to deepen their knowledge and understanding of the Catholic faith, while at the same time being respectful of those who have not yet developed faith at a personal level, and those who belong to other religious traditions. A reconceptualist approach enables the promotion of tolerance for different faith perspectives, while also developing a deeper understanding of beliefs and practices within the Catholic tradition. Through the 'World Religions' strand of the Religious Education Curriculum, students have opportunities to explore the beliefs and practices of people from other faith traditions. In a world where religious intolerance is regularly reported in the media, Padua College aims to promote awareness, respect and critical thinking about different faith traditions, in the hope that students will see a positive place for religious diversity in the world and value the rich teachings of the Catholic Church.

The reconceptualist approach is evident at Padua whereby students are encouraged to be open to ideas and beliefs of other religions as well as their own. The reconceptualist approach acknowledges that the classroom religion program is a primary arena for dealing with the critical religious issues and concerns of life. The cornerstones of a reconceptualist approach are the avoidance of presumptive language, teaching about the tradition and powerful pedagogies. Padua enacts each cornerstone in the following ways:

- Avoidance of presumptive language at Padua we do not presume 'religiousness' but rather seek to develop within our students an understanding of religion, Christianity, Catholicism and the Franciscan tradition alongside a range of other religious and world views. Our relationship with the Islamic College of Brisbane is one example of this.
- Teaching about the traditions At Padua, rather than simply teaching the traditions, we teach students about them, what they mean and how they apply. Knowing what to say in Mass is not the same as knowing why we say certain things and what that means. A reconceptualist classroom is not simply a place for transferring facts and knowledge.
- o At Padua, a reconceptualist approach to teaching religion entails "exploring the meaning of one's own religious life in relation to both those who share that life and



- those who do not" (Scott, 1984, p.334). This educational focus requires a critical appreciation of one's own religious tradition and an empathetic understanding of the religious beliefs and practices of others.
- Powerful pedagogies (See BCE infographic on next page) At Padua, the learner is central to our Teaching and Learning Vision <a href="https://padua.qld.edu.au/learn-at-padua/learning-at-padua/">https://padua.qld.edu.au/learn-at-padua/learning-at-padua/</a> and it is through this vision that we focus the leaner as central to our practice. Our unit planning process builds in evaluation, feedback and establishes clear direction while our balanced program gives students multiple opportunities to engage with a range of concepts.

# Time Allocation and Effective Timetabling of Religious Education at Padua

Religious Education at Padua College is timetabled at 5 to 6 x 57 minute lessons per 10-day cycle in Years 5-10. Religion and Ethics and Study of Religion in Years 11 and 12 are timetabled for 7 x 57 minute lessons per 10-day cycle. Catholic Studies in Year 11 and 12 is timetabled for 3 X 57 minute lessons per 10 Day Cycle with service experiences making up the nominal hours.

# Design Principles for Religious Education at Padua

The Religious Education Curriculum at Padua has been designed to run as a seamless and coherent whole school program from Years 5 to 12. In alignment with the expectations outlined in the Staff Handbook, units in RE are designed using an inquiry approach based on the principles of backward mapping as are all units in the College. It is through backward mapping that line of sight is made clear. In addition, the expectations in terms of academic rigour and expectations in RE are uniform throughout all subject areas of the College as outlined in the above mentioned Staff Handbook which is updated yearly and which all teaching staff are expected to read and sign acknowledgement of reading each year.

Feedback from the Leuven Project looking at Catholic Identity which the College is currently undertaking, highlighted that students in Years 5 and 6 tend to take a more literalist approach as opposed to the post-critical approach taken by students in higher grades and staff. Therefore, while we do follow a whole-school approach, we are conscious of the need to provide age appropriate opportunities to discuss religion and thus promote a student's natural progression to a reconceptualist approach. We begin to promote this progression in younger grades through the application of the Worlds of the Text approach to interpreting scripture, acknowledging change in belief through the study of Church history and engaging them in dialogue with other faith traditions.

Within our RE program, there is a balance of the four strands outlined by the Archdiocese and these are evident in the RE program scope and sequence (see at the bottom of this document). These four strands are: Sacred Texts, Church, Beliefs and Christian Life.

http://www.rec.bne.catholic.edu.au/Organisation/Structure/Pages/default.aspx.





# Learning in RE

Religious Education at Padua College is a journey towards understanding Catholic faith as part of each student's own search for meaning and faith development. Units of work are sequenced to engage the younger learners in rich dialogue about faith with topics explored with learners at different stages and in various degrees of complexity. Where students in the foundation phase learn about how the Gospels relate to our everyday life, students in the senior phase explore issues of morality and ethics, using prior learnings to support the development of their own view points, providing a continuity throughout their religious journey at the College. Students in each Year Level engage with all of the strands of the Archdiocesan Curriculum including exploring issues of ethics and morality.

Learners are guided on a journey of learning that increases in complexity to reflect the growing maturity and understanding of students as they progress through the grades. In addition, students are supported in their understanding of Scripture through the world behind the text, the world of the text and the world in front of the text.

### **Real World Links**

The Religious Education Program at Padua is connected throughout the year with the religious Life of the school. For example, the Year 9 Social Action of the Church unit in Term 3 links well with the Padua Franciscan appeal (raising funds for our Franciscan school in Timor Leste). Initiatives such as the support of St Vincent de Paul through 'two can day' (food donations) and the Padua College 'Winter Sleep Out'.





Padua has developed a strong relationship with the Islamic College of Brisbane which focuses on the relationship and respect St Francis of Assisi had with the Sultan Malik- Al Kamil in 1219. This interfaith connection is one example of how Padua actively seeks to build knowledge, understanding, acceptance and friendship within and between students and staff. It reflects the work of St Francis in a contemporary context and provides a unique and rich experience for our students. A focus for each RE unit is the establishment of learning intentions and success criteria drawn from the achievement standards and following a clear line of sight.



### Alignment – Scope and Sequence

When planning units of work, teachers reflect on events within the calendar so activities can be linked together to create a more meaningful connection with the real world. The full scope and sequence for RE can be found at the end of this document.

Teachers at Padua are provided with time at RE Faculty Meetings and Year Level meetings in Years 5 to 7 to reflect on current units of work as well as to evaluate units of work and assessment at the completion of a unit. All unit planning at Padua follows the standardised approach outlined in this document in accordance with the Teaching and Learning Vision and the Life-Long Learning Framework. This process is overseen by a Learning Area Leader (LAL) Religion 5-9 and a Learning Area Leader (LAL) Religion 10-12.

# High Quality Teaching and Learning at Padua College

As mentioned above, the teaching and learning identified in our Religious Education Program is consistent with whole school approach to Teaching and Learning at Padua College. The Padua College Learning Framework establishes agreed practices based on evidence. The introduction of a whole school approach to teaching and learning is consistent with the current Strategic Direction and applies across the College.

The Padua College Learning Framework ensures that all members of the Padua Community are on the same learning journey in terms of clarity or purpose/line of sight, making learning visible for all members of the community and supporting students to become self-directed and self-aware lifelong learners.

### **Accreditation Requirements**

The Brisbane Archdiocese requirements for Teachers in a Catholic School and Teachers of Religion in a Catholic School (outlined below) are monitored by the Vice Rector Formation and the Vice Rector Teaching and Learning and is discussed as part of a potential teacher's interview process.

#### Accreditation to Teach Religion in a Catholic School

Registered Catholic teachers will be granted accreditation on the basis of evidence of:

- their personal commitment to the Catholic Church
- the equivalent of 4 semester units of tertiary studies in the areas of theology, spirituality, Catholic education, or religious education
- ability to apply theology and spirituality to the teaching of religion.

### **Accreditation to Teach in a Catholic School**

Accreditation will be granted to those applicants that have evidence of at least twenty-five hours of in-service or appropriate tertiary studies over the previous five years in areas such as Catholic schooling, Catholic ethos and the spirituality of the teacher.

Teachers who have already met these requirements, will be required to supply documentary evidence.

# Interim Accreditation to Teach Religion or Interim Accreditation to Teach in a Catholic School

Teachers who do not meet the requirements listed above will be granted Interim Accreditation to Teach Religion or Interim Accreditation to Teach in a Catholic School.



It is the responsibility of those teachers granted Interim Accreditation to ensure that they meet the requirement for full accreditation by the end of the current cycle.

http://www.bne.catholic.edu.au/bce-employment/teaching/Pages/Teacher-Accreditation.aspx

At Padua approximately 60% of available teaching staff 23 teaching RE are accredited to teach religion in a Catholic School. Many of the teachers accredited to teach RE in a Catholic School have under graduate or post graduate degrees form the Australian Catholic University with the required 4 semesters of theology. For teachers who are not fully accredited, interim accreditation is given and teachers who intend or who are intended to remain in the RE Faculty have funded access to approved courses, such as REAP and courses at Master level. Permanent teachers of RE take precedence in this process.

Recently Padua has made changes to the way it has ensured appropriate RE accreditation is held by classroom teachers. It has now become practise for the college to offer non-accredited and interim accredited RE teachers places on such course as BCE's REAP Program. As Independent Catholic school the rector will agree to give formal approval for accreditation to teach RE at Padua only. Teachers must complete three further units to complete the full accreditation requirement. Padua strongly encourages staff to do this to ensure future employment prospects in other Catholic systems and employing authorities. The college offers financial assistance so that this may be achieved and minimum time period of three years for successful completion of this study.

# **Professional Learning**

At Padua, we provide Professional Development (PD) opportunities for staff to gain either their 25 hours to be accredited to teach in a Catholic School or 50 hours to be able to teach Religion in a Catholic School. These PD Opportunities include the Leuven Project, College organised religious reflection, external PD as appropriate, staff and student pilgrimages and College paid RE REAP Accreditation for staff. In addition, staff have regular faculty meetings at which pertinent topics are raised and discussed. Teachers are offered priority PD if they need to gain qualifications to teach RE.



### Powerful Whole School Pedagogies at Padua

Religious Education is a compulsory and integral subject at Padua College, with both Religion and Ethics and Study of Religion being offered as elective choices in the senior phase of schooling and



Catholic Studies being a compulsory subject for all Senior Students. In alignment with the Padua Learning Framework, the RE Curriculum aims to deliver a problem-based education with real world applications. At Padua, as our Vision Statement outlines clearly, the emphasis is on promoting respect for each person and valuing the individual. Our Mission Statement calls us "to provide a supportive community committed to the dynamic education of young men, whose individuality, spirit and achievements are nurtured through a proud Catholic and Franciscan ethos". Therefore, our pedagogies provide relevant and meaningful learning experiences using a hands-on approach to foster respect and value for the individual. Examples of this are:

- o Year 8 Film making in the Active and Authentic Christian Life unit
- Year 9 Social Action and Outreach projects
- Year 9 Liturgy Production in Groups
- Year 9 Aboriginal Spirituality immersion day –conducted by a local Aboriginal Elder with links to creation story and the Franciscan ethos
- o Inter faith dialogue and immersion with:
  - The Islamic College of Brisbane
  - A Jewish synagogue
  - The Holland park Mosque
  - The Chung Tian temple
  - The Nexus Christian Church
- Year 11 community service focus with time spent at Delamore Retirement Village, the Sandgate Men's Shed, St Anthony's Primary and Padua Primary

Not to be confused with a reconceptualist approach to teaching religious education (teaching *about* the Catholic tradition to all students), our College survey results from Leuven University call for an increasing awareness and understanding of a recontextual approach for the teaching of scripture as part of the powerful pedagogies at Padua. A recontextual approach would posit that scripture needs to be symbolically interpreted in order to gain a fuller understanding. Scripture can be read through many different lenses – such as through a historical lens, as a work of literature, or as a faith lens. A recontextualisation approach encourages a holistic understanding that looks at the world behind the text, the world of the text and the world in front of the text. This perspective particularly focuses on the world in front of the text, as this is about how students make meaning from the text for their time and place. How does such an ancient text enable a contemporary meaning for people today? What is the message the students can take away and more importantly how will this influence the way they live their lives? This is not a literal interpretation of scripture, but rather a post-critical interpretation of scripture.





At Padua, critical religious issues and concerns such as world religions, work within our Franciscan charism in addressing life-long religious learning. Padua's Religious Education Program provides a holistic and embracing religious education and actively aims to avoid alienation and judgement as part of our holistic Catholic approach. Teachers and students are fully resourced through the Blackboard LMS. Blackboard is used as the central repository and sharing hub for staff and as a 24/7 on-line point of access, support and information for students and parents.

### **Effective Assessment**

Students at Padua are assessed as part of each unit and folios of work are kept. Completed assessment is sent home for parent viewing and feedback prior to being returned to the student folio stored at the College. Parent Teacher interviews provide an additional opportunity for parents to view and discuss student work.

In line with a reconceptualist approach to the teaching of religious education students are assessed on the knowledge, understandings and skills and are not assessed on their personal faith.

The RE unit template for the college clearly outlines the assessment for each unit aligned to the success criteria, learning intentions and achievement standards.

Assessment in all faculties utilises a balance range of modes. This allows students to excel in areas of strength in a balanced and deliberate program.

### Supporting and Reporting Student Learning

As previously mentioned, My Padua, the College LMS provides students and parents with 24/7 on-line access to yearly overviews, assessment, learning resources and assessment submission. Preparation and scaffolding for assessment tasks and in-class differentiation is built into unit planning. In addition, differentiated learning tasks are developed as required in consultation with the Learning Enrichment Centre (LEC). Teachers and LEC staff meet to inform relevant parties about issues / concerns with student learning. Teachers sign off on Individual Education Plans (Personalised Learning Plans PLPs) where required based on student needs and are informed about strategies to assist students with needs. Students undergo diagnostic assessment in Years 5 to 8 and this data, in conjunction with ongoing tracking is used when considering how best to assist all students with their learning. Learning experiences are differentiated both within the classroom and for each task in order to cater for various abilities levels.

Student folios, RE data bases on Teams and the College's databases system (PC School) are used to record and track student results. Teachers formally report three times a year with Parent Teacher interviews being offered on three different occasions at two times in the calendar year.

Teachers at Padua College provide feedback as part of the assessment process, via assessment criteria sheets, informal verbal feedback, formal teacher conferencing and Parent/Teacher nights. The Body of evidence used to judge student progress is the assignment / assessment and other activities that engage students at all levels of learning.



# Consistency of Teacher Judgement

An internal process of moderation is used to ensure Consistency of Teacher Judgement (CTJ) is across year levels as part of the assessment process. As a Religious Institute School and thus a stand-alone school, not being part of a school system means that external moderation is a challenge and we are currently exploring joining a recently offered BCE initiative for CTJ and partnering with the two other Franciscan Schools in our block, St Anthony's Primary School and Mount Alvernia College.



# Monitoring and Evaluation in RE at Padua College

# **Processes for Monitoring Student Achievement**

Student achievement at Padua College is reported to parents in all subjects three times per year, with Parent/Teacher Interviews scheduled on four occasions at two points in the College Calendar as mentioned previously.

There are specialist positions in the middle leadership structure (Head of Senior Studies, Learning Area Leader 5-9, Learning Area Leader 10-12 and Head of Learning Enrichment) that track student progress and intervene when appropriate in order to best support student learning in a range of subjects. This is done through the publication of reports and intervention is taken as required.

### **Processes for Monitoring Planning**

Units at Padua College are designed in accordance with the Teaching and Learning Vision, the LLF and the standardised unit plan template. These employ a collaborative approach and are inclusive of all teachers of the year level teaching team and facilitated by: key teachers, specialist Year 5-9 teachers and Learning Area Leaders. The relevant Head of Curriculum as mentioned above, facilitates the overall development of units and resources, implementing reflection and adjustments annually.

The use of the My Padua LMS not only supports resourcing for teachers but provides and additional mechanism for transparency of planning and delivery of curriculum across all subject areas and this is monitored by Faculty Heads and Senior Teaching and Learning Management. Units are published to Blackboard annually for staff, unit Overviews, assessment and assessment dates are published for



students and assessment calendars are published each term via the College's publicly accessible website.

Aggregate data is used by a range of middle leaders as mentioned above, to support individual, class and cohort groups through curriculum design and change.



# Padua College RE Scope and Sequence 5-12

YEAR 5 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION			
TERM 1	SACRED SCRIPTURE		LINKS TO RELIGIOUS
CONTENT	MANDATED	EXPLICIT TEACHING	LIFE OF COLLEGE
	SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER	
St Francis of Assisi and the	Lament: A psalm that	The Franciscan Peace	Orientation to Padua
Franciscan Order	expresses sadness or	Prayer	as part of the
The Peace Prayer	asks for God's help. (e.g.		transition into Padua
Padua College a Franciscan school	Psalms 3-7, 25-28)		
The role of psalms as a model for			Franciscan Week
personal and communal prayer	Thanksgiving: A psalm		
The three main forms of psalms	that expresses gratitude		Daily Prayer
Lament (sorrow), Praise (hymn)	for the gift of life and		
and Thanksgiving	other gifts from God.		Easter Liturgy
Purpose of the gospel stories	(e.g. 30, 32, 34, 65- 68,		
The time when the gospels were written	75, 116, 118		
Intended audience for the	Praise: A psalm that		
gospels	acknowledges that God		
The nature and truths of the	is God and gives God		
gospel stories	glory. (e.g. 95-100, 144- 150, 113, 114)		



		YEAR 5 RELIGIOUS	<b>EDUCAT</b>	ION		
TERM 2		QUALITIES OF MARY / PIONEERING			IKS TO	
		AUSTRALIA AND MARY	MACKILLO	Р.	REI	LIGIOUS LIFE OF
CONTENT		MANDATED	EXPLICIT T	EACHING	CO	LLEGE
		SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PR	RAYER		
The role of Mary as the		Reading Luke's accounts	Hail Mary		Yea	r 5 Mother/Son
mother of Jesus and a role	<u> </u>	of Mary (The	Litany of M	ary of	Ma	SS
model for all Christians		Annunciation and visit	Nazareth			
Mary's role in the early ch	urch	to Elizabeth 1:26-56,	The Rosary		Chr	ristmas Liturgy
The reason for prayer		The Birth of Jesus 2:1-7,				
The ways in which we pray		Mary Takes Jesus to the			Eas	ter Liturgy
The presence of God in da	ily	Temple 2:21-38, Mary				
life experiences		and Joseph Loses Jesus			Dai	ly Prayer
Petitioning Mary in prayer		in Jerusalem 2:41-52)				
The celebration of the		John's accounts of Mary				tober Rosary –
Eucharist		(19:25-27 The Wedding			Fra	nciscan Prayer
The challenges faced by		at Cana, John 19: 25-27				
pioneering Catholics		Mary at the Crucifixion)				
Saints as role models in liv of Australian Catholics	es					
St Mary of the Cross Mack	'illan					
an advocate for the poor i	•					
Australia						
The Spiritual and Corporal						
Works of Mercy						
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CONTENT		ANDATED SCRIPTURAL TI	EVTC	EXPLICIT		RELIGIOUS
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				TEACHING		_
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Jewish worship		etthew 25:31-40.The Judgement of				Franciscan
Observation of the Sabbath	ıvat	cions				Week Catholic
History of Jewish faith						Education Wee
Thistory of Jewish Iditil						House Masses
						College Masses
						Friday Mass
						Triday iviass
						Year 5
						Integrated Unit

YEAR 5 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION			
TERM 4	THE ROLE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN A CA	THOLIC LIFE	LINKS TO
CONTENT	MANDATED SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	EXPLICIT TEACHING	RELIGIOUS



		ABOUT	LIFE OF
		PRAYER	COLLEGE
Understanding of the role	Oil: Mk 6:13; Ex: 29:7 – anointing, healing		Christmas
of the Holy Spirit in the	Fire: Mt 3:11; Acts 2:3-4 – transforming,		Liturgy
Trinity	creating, energising,		
Recognition of the titles	Dove: Lk 3:22 – 'paraclete'; comforter,		
and images associated	helper, hope		
with the Holy Spirit in	water: Jn 7:37 – 39 – initiating, baptising		
scripture	Wind: Acts 2: 2-4 ; Jn 3:8 – refreshing, life		
Knowledge of the Gifts of	force; breath of God, Ruah (CCC 691)		
the Holy Spirit	Paraclete –Jn 14:16, 26; 15:26, 16:7; Acts		
Knowledge of the Fruits	1:5; 1:8 - helper; comforter		
of the Holy Spirit	Spirit of adoption; Rm 8:15, 23 –		
Understanding the	becoming a child of God		
concept of conscience	Spirit of Christ – uniting (CCC 797)		
Understanding the idea of	Spirit of God – 1 Cor 6:19; 1 Cor 2: 9-13 -		
moral choices.	gift, prompting and stirring of conscience,		
	Spirit of truth – Jn 14: 16 – 18; Jn 15:26 -		
	27 – advocate; helper; be with you		

YEAR 6 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION			
TERM 1	Church History and H	LINKS TO RELIGIOUS	
CONTENT	MANDATED	EXPLICIT TEACHING	LIFE OF COLLEGE
	SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER	
The faith of Jewish believers	The Our Father: Luke	The Lord's Prayer	Christmas Liturgy
as celebrated in Holy Days of	11:1-13	The Ignatian Examen	
Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur,			Easter Liturgy
Pesach (Passover)			
The Church's liturgical seasons			House Masses
(Advent, Christmas, Lent,			
Easter, Pentecost)			College Masses
The Lord's Prayer			
The Apostle's creed			Friday Mass
The Nicene Creed			
			Daily
			Prayer/Meditation
			Weekly Liturgies

YEAR 6 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION		
TERM 2	Perspectives on Morality	



CONTENT	MANDATED	<b>EXPLICIT TEACHING</b>	LINKS TO RELIGIOUS
	SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER	LIFE OF COLLEGE
Key message of love	Genesis 1:26	The Franciscan Peace	Little Kings collection
expressed by the prophet	The Beatitudes	Prayer	
Micah	Matthew 5:3-11, Luke		St Vinnies Collections
Human rights as described	6:20-23		
by the Catholic Church			Timor Leste Sister
Church teaching on social justice	Matthew 25: 31-46		school sponsorship
Spiritual works of mercy (challenging injustice,			Franciscan Appeal
comfort, consoling)			P&F Supporting
Corporal works of mercy (feeding the hungry, visiting			Families in Need
the sick, clothing the naked) The Beatitudes Matthew			Caritas Appeal
5:3-11			Fundraising Sausage
			Sizzles for various
			causes
			Shoebox Appeal

YEAR 6 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION			
TERM 3 Discovering Jesus in Scripture and Art			LINKS TO RELIGIOUS
CONTENT	MANDATED	<b>EXPLICIT TEACHING</b>	LIFE OF COLLEGE
	SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER	
Gaining insight into the	Jesus Heals a Crippled		Year 6 Class Liturgy
images of Jesus created in	Woman, Mark 5:21-43,		
text.	Matthew 9:18–26, Luke		Christmas Liturgy
Understanding the	8:40–56		
relationship between Jesus,	Luke 8:40-49 A Girl		
God the Father and Humanity	Restored to Life and a		
Understanding Jesus through	Woman Healed		
a variety of texts in particular			
visual text.			

YEAR 6 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION		
TERM 4	People of God (Sacramental people)	



CONTENT	MANDATED	EXPLICIT TEACHING	LINKS TO RELIGIOUS
	SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER	LIFE OF COLLEGE
Knowledge of the	Baptism of Jesus	The Lord's Prayer Luke	House Masses
sacraments	Matthew 3:13-17	11:1-13	
The intention of the author	Gifts of the Holy Spirit		College Masses
(Gospel writers) in	Isaiah 11:1-2		
determining the nature and	Eucharist Luke 22:17-20		Friday Mass
truth revealed in the text	Marriage John 2:1-11		
The role of the Eucharist in			Daily Prayer
the Catholic faith (liturgy of			
the Eucharist)			College Liturgies
Liturgy of the word			
(community gathering of			Easter Liturgy
believers)			
How believers pray			Christmas Liturgy
			Padua College
			Sacramental Program

	YEAR 7 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION				
TERM 1	Personal Morality and Justice: A Call to Franciscan Action		LINKS TO RELIGIOUS LIFE OF COLLEGE		
CONTENT	MANDATED SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	EXPLICIT TEACHING ABOUT PRAYER			
Students should understand what moral choices and	Luke 7:36-50, 'The Woman Sinner'		Bully Buster Days		
judgments require Students should explore	Read 'Peter's Denial of Jesus', Luke 22:54-62)		PC Eagles		
situations that require doing good and avoiding evil	Matthew 26:47-54 'Jesus is Arrested'		Think Out Loud Thursday's		
Students should be aware of acting according to a properly formed conscience Students should understand			Franciscan Restorative Justice Pastoral Care Program		
the ways in which sin affects others			Ash Wednesday Liturgy		



YEAR 7 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION				
TERM 2	Exploring Monotheis	Exploring Monotheistic Religions		
CONTENT	MANDATED SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	EXPLICIT TEACHING ABOUT PRAYER	LIFE OF COLLEGE	
The Nicene Creed 10 Commandments (The Decalogue) The Gospel of John Judaism Early Christianity	Luke 11: 1-13	Lord's Prayer Hail Mary	House Masses  College Masses  Friday Mass	

YEAR 7 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION				
TERM 3	Sacred Scripture		LINKS TO RELIGIOUS	
CONTENT	MANDATED	<b>EXPLICIT TEACHING</b>	LIFE OF COLLEGE	
	SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER		
Deeper awareness of Old	Genesis:1-5 God Calls		Shrove Tuesday	
Testament texts	Abraham		Pancake Stalls	
Greater knowledge of	Exodus 3:1-10			
patriarchs who helped shape	Isaiah 53: 1-9		Ash Wednesday Liturgy	
monotheistic faith	Passover (Exodus 12-14)			
Researching the role of	Hanukah (1 Maccabees		Palm Sunday Mass	
prophecy in the Old	4:52-59 & 2 Maccabees			
Testament	10:5-8)		Little Flower Stations of	
Explore the cultural context	Day of Atonement		the Cross	
of the Old testament	(Leviticus 16), Harvest in			
Explore the historical context	Purim (Esther 9)		Easter Liturgy	
of the Old testament	Unleavened Bread			
Explore the social structures	(Exodus 12-14)			
in the time of Jesus	Circumcision (Genesis			
Gain an understanding of	17)			
daily life and culture of				
Gospel times				



Gain understanding of the	The resurrection story	
meaning of Lent, Easter and	in Matthew 28, Mark	
Pentecost	16, Luke 24 and John 20	

V	EAD 7 DELICIOUS	EDUCATION	
TERM 4	EAR 7 RELIGIOUS  Liturgical Seasons	EDUCATION	LINKS TO RELIGIOUS
CONTENT	MANDATED	EXPLICIT TEACHING	LIFE OF COLLEGE
CONTENT	SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER	LII E OI COLLEGE
Understand the foundation and meaning of the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter and Pentecost Understanding the meaning of each of the Seven Sacraments Recognise the symbols, prayers, hymns, colours and images associated with the liturgical seasons and sacraments.	Luke 1:26-38 The Birth of Jesus Foretold Exodus 12:1-4 Passover	Prayers for Church Seasons Lectio Divina Meditation and Prayer	Class Liturgies  House Masses  College Masses  Friday Mass  Christmas Liturgy  Padua College Sacramental Program
Y TERM 1	EAR 8 RELIGIOUS Active and Authentic		LINKS TO RELIGIOUS
CONTENT	MANDATED	EXPLICIT TEACHING	LIFE OF COLLEGE
00.11.2.11	SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER	
An understanding of the Cardinal Virtue of justice as embraced by the Franciscan Order. Knowledge of Franciscan contemplative prayer. Recognition of the presence of God in daily prayer. Understanding of meditation in prayer life. Knowledge of Franciscan prayers. Understanding of the Rule of 1221. Historical aspects of the Franciscan Order	Acts 2:1-15 Pentecost	The Canticle of the Creatures The Peace Prayer The Testament of St Clare of Assisi St Francis' Meditation Prayer St Francis' Vocation Prayer St Francis' Prayer Praising the Living God Devotion to St Francis of St Francis St Anthony's Prayer to the Lord Jesus	PC Eagles Franciscan Restorative Justice Pastoral Care Program



Understanding of the role of	St Anthony's Prayer to
prayer and meditation in the	the Holy Spirit
lives of believers.	St Anthony's Prayer to
Significant Franciscans (St Claire	Our Lady
of Assisi and St Anthony of	Devotion to St
Padua)	Anthony
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YEAR 8 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION			
TERM 2	Early Christian Church		LINKS TO RELIGIOUS
CONTENT	MANDATED	<b>EXPLICIT TEACHING</b>	LIFE OF COLLEGE
	SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER	
Promise of salvation to Noah	Noah and the Ark,		Easter Liturgy
and Moses	Genesis 6: 1-9:17		
Isaiah's prophecy of a Messiah	Paul's Letter to the		Ash Wednesday Liturgy
Jesus the Messiah	Galatians Context		
Resurrection of Jesus	and Message		College Assembly
Pentecost: The Holy Spirit	Pentecost Acts 2:1-		Prayer
Acts of the Apostles: Early	15,		
Christian Church	Paul's Letter to the		Lighting of the College
Living a good life with the help	Galatians Imagery		Candle
of the Holy Spirit	and Symbolism		
The Role of Liturgy in life of			
believers			

YEAR 8 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION			
TERM 3	Beliefs and Believers	LINKS TO RELIGIOUS	
CONTENT	MANDATED	<b>EXPLICIT TEACHING</b>	LIFE OF COLLEGE
	SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER	
An understanding of the mission	Acts 2:1-13 The Holy	The role of prayer in	Casual Dress Days
of Jesus continued in the world	Spirit's Gifts	the social outreach of	
and the Church by the activity of		Catholic believers	Winter Sleep Out
the Holy Spirit		(Prayers for the sick,	
The ideas and images of the		the refugees, the	2 Can Appeal (SVDP)
Trinity as expressed in the Nicene		homeless)	
Creed			College Guest Speakers
Believers become part of God's			e.g. Rosies, Orange Sky
saving plan through faith and			Laundry, SVD
action			
Knowledge of the shared beliefs			Work and Welcome
of the Abrahamic faiths			Program
Understanding ecumenical spirit			
through social justice and prayer			



Understanding Catholic Social		
Teachings as a response to the		
mission of Jesus		
Understanding the role of prayer		
in the daily lives of believers		

YEAR 8 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION			
TERM 4	Interpreting Scripture		LINKS TO RELIGIOUS
CONTENT	MANDATED	<b>EXPLICIT TEACHING</b>	LIFE OF COLLEGE
	SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER	
Understanding the theme of	God's Promise to		Friday Mass
covenant	Abraham and Sarah,		
Knowledge of Old Testament	Genesis 17:1-8; 15-		College Liturgies
prophets	19; 21-22		
Understanding the role of	Noah and the Ark,		
Pentecost as a covenant	Genesis 6: 1-9:17		
Understand the place of virtuous			
role models in the lives of	Ten Commandments,		
Christian believers	Exodus 20:1-21,		
Understand the role of the Holy	Exodus 34:1-28,		
Spirit in living a virtuous and	Deuteronomy 5:6-21		
moral life			

YEAR 9 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION			
TERM 1	Prayer and Liturgy		LINKS TO
CONTENT	MANDATED	<b>EXPLICIT TEACHING</b>	RELIGIOUS
	SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER	LIFE OF
			COLLEGE
Understanding that the incarnation,	The Last Supper	Prayers used in:	Class Liturgies
death and resurrection are foundation	Luke 22:7-23	celebration,	
Christian beliefs.	Matthew 26:17-30	sacraments, church	Christmas
Understanding the connection	John 1:14 The Word	seasons (Advent, Easter,	Liturgy
between Jesus' death and resurrection	became flesh	Christmas, Lent,	
and our salvation.		Pentecost)	Involvement in
Knowledge of the sacraments of			Parish Mass
healing			(Wednesdays)
Understanding the way in which			
believers pray with the help of: music,			Rosary
word, action, silence, images and			
symbols.			



YEAR	<b>9 RELIGIOUS ED</b>	UCATION	
TERM 2	Sacred Texts and Sp	iritual Writings	LINKS TO
CONTENT	MANDATED SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	EXPLICIT TEACHING ABOUT PRAYER	RELIGIOUS LIFE OF COLLEGE
The Pentateuch Narrative Criticism Franciscan Core Values Writings of Mary Mackillop and St Bonaventure	Calming the Storm, Matthew 8:23- 27, Mark 4:35-41, Luke 8:22-25 God's Promise to Abraham and Sarah, Genesis 17:1-8; 15- 19; 21-22 Parable of the Talents, Matthew 25:14-30, Luke 19:11-27, Mark 13:34-37	The Penitential Rite Act of Contrition	Easter Liturgy  'Liturgy of the Word' Prayer Assemblies
	9 RELIGIOUS ED		LINKS TO
TERM 3	Social Action of the	EXPLICIT TEACHING	LINKS TO RELIGIOUS
CONTENT	MANDATED SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER	LIFE OF COLLEGE
Social commentaries written by religious and lay leaders (Mary Mackillop, Edmund Rice, Mother Teresa, Elizabeth Seton, Oscar Romero) The experience of sin in the world and the presence of good and evil in an imperfect world	Matthew 5:2-10, 10:42, 25:44-45 Luke 4:19-19, 12:4-7 James 2:1-4 Amos 8:4-7 Micah 6:8	The Franciscan Peace Prayer	Social Action Projects Franciscan Appeal Little Kings Appeal
God's gift of free will Lay people experiencing God's call to mission and service			



Understanding the examples of		
Christian vocation experienced in a		
contemporary world (Role models of		
social action: Pope John Paul II,		
Mother Teresa)		
The recognition of personal vocation		
and response to witness for Jesus		
Christ in the modern world		
Key principles of Catholic Social Justice		
Teaching (Peace, Stewardship and		
Common Good)		
Evaluate the impact of Catholic social		
teaching on an individual's moral		
behaviour and on the Church's		
response to emerging moral		
questions.		





Year 9 students selling Ethical Purchase Coffee Beans as part of the Social Action and Outreach unit with proceeds going to the College's mission collection for the term.

YEAR 9 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION				
TERM 4	Christians Encountering People with Differing Beliefs		LINKS TO RELIGIOUS	
CONTENT	MANDATED	I		
	SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER	COLLEGE	
A knowledge of aboriginal sacred	The First Creation	Prayers for Forgiveness	Acknowledge of	
stories	Story, Genesis 1:1-		Country at	
A knowledge of Genesis stories	2:4		College events	
(Creation, Adam and Eve, Noah, Abraham) Understanding of the concept of monotheism (Christian belief in one God)			Aboriginal Spirituality Immersion Day	



Understanding of Animism (Aboriginal		
belief in the spiritual essence of the		
natural world; plants, animals, rocks)		
An understanding of the need for		
reconciliation among Christians,		
among Aborigines and between the		
two groups		
An understanding of the role of		
leadership in sacred matters both in		
indigenous and Catholic communities		
Have a knowledge of the first contact		
between aborigines and white settlers		
Understand the problems faced by		
European culture impacting on		
existing indigenous culture		

YEAR 10 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION			
TERM 1	CATHOLIC EARTH CARE		LINKS TO RELIGIOUS
CONTENT	MANDATED	<b>EXPLICIT TEACHING</b>	LIFE OF COLLEGE
	SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER	
Understanding the care	Creator and Provider	Prayers for creation,	Good Samaritans
shown by St Francis and the	psalm 104: 1-25	contemplative prayer,	
environment to his	Genesis 2: 1-25	Canticle of creation,	Green team
community.	Leviticus 19: 9-10		
Understanding the purpose			
of Padua College caring			
within the local community.			
Understand historically more			
about those who cared for			
others when facing difficult			
circumstances.			

YEAR 10 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION			
TERM 2	THE COURAGE TO CARE		LINKS TO RELIGIOUS
CONTENT	MANDATED	MANDATED EXPLICIT TEACHING	
	SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER	
Understanding the care shown	Matthew 9:35-36, John	Prayers for creation,	Good Samaritans
by St Francis to his community.	4:4-12, Mark 6:32-34	contemplative prayer,	
Understanding the purpose of	Colossians 3:12-17	Canticle of creation,	Little Kings
Padua College caring within		Franciscan Peace prayer	
the local community.			
Understand historically more			
about those who cared for			
others when facing difficult			
circumstances.			



Knowledge of historical events		
such as the Holocaust.		

YEAR 10 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION			
TERM 3	WORLD RELIGIONS	WORLD RELIGIONS	
CONTENT	MANDATED	<b>EXPLICIT TEACHING</b>	LIFE OF COLLEGE
	SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER	
Understand different religions believe in a different God or being Understand different ways individuals communicate with their God Knowledge of monotheistic and polytheistic religions and their purpose for the believers.	Job 38, Isaiah 40: 12 Matthew 28;20 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Matthew 14: 13-14 Luke 10:16	Centring prayer, meditative prayer, Our Father, Franciscan peace prayer,	Islamic College of Brisbane Immersion

YEAR 10 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION			
TERM 4	THE MYSTERY OF GOD		LINKS TO RELIGIOUS
CONTENT	MANDATED	<b>EXPLICIT TEACHING</b>	LIFE OF COLLEGE
	SCRIPTURAL TEXTS	ABOUT PRAYER	
Understanding The mystery	Exodus 3: 1-6; 1 Kings	Prayers for creation,	Daily Prayer
of God is ultimately beyond	19: 9-13; Exodus 15:1,	contemplative prayer,	
human language, concepts	4-6; Hosea 13: 5-8;	Canticle of creation,	Assembly Prayer
and stories.	Micah 7:8; Isaiah 66:	Centring prayer,	
Understand the mystery of	12-13; Hosea 14:5;	meditative prayer	Friday Mass
god can be named through	Psalm 18:1-3; Psalm 47:		
experience of the created	1-9; Isaiah 49: 15-16,		
world	Jeremiah 18: 5-		
Knowledge of different	6, Ephesians 2:4-6, 1		
philosophers and their	John 4: 7-12, Colossians		
impact on our modern	3:12 John		
world.	3:16, Hebrews 1:1-2)		



# PADUA COLLEGE

# YEAR 11 – 12 CS / R & E / SOR SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

EXAMPLES OF CONNECTION TO SENIOR SECONDARY COURSE	LINKS TO RELIGIOUS LIFE OF COLLEGE
	ICB Immersion
YEAR 11	
<ul> <li>CATHOLIC STUDIES</li> <li>Search For meaning</li> <li>Religion in an Australian Context</li> <li>Servant leadership</li> <li>Ethics in The Modern World</li> </ul>	Interfaith Guest Speakers and visits (Holland Park Mosque, Nexus Church, Margaret Street Synagogue, Chung Tian Temple, Hindu temple, Greek orthodox church)
SOR	
<ul> <li>Unit 1 Sacred texts and Religious Writings</li> <li>Unit 2 Religion and Ritual</li> </ul>	Student Liturgical Ministers
RELIGION AND ETHICS	PC Eagles
SOCIAL JUSTICE PERSONAL	
Dignity of the individual and community	
Reflecting and responding to social justice issues	
RELATIONAL	
Participating in community service	
Developing a just society	
<ul> <li>Padua's involvement with St Vincent de Paul and Rosie's Street Van</li> </ul>	
SPIRITUAL	
Catholic teachings about Social Justice	
A Franciscan approach to justice	
AUSTRALIAN SCENE PERSONAL	
<ul> <li>Being spiritual and religious</li> </ul>	
RELATIONAL	
<ul> <li>Identify different religions in the local area plus across Australia</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Religious impact on our culture and society</li> </ul>	
SPIRITUAL	
Expression of spirituality within different religions	
MORALITY AND ETHICS PERSONAL	
<ul> <li>My conscience, consequences and forgiveness</li> </ul>	



Personal motivation and moral choices

### **RELATIONAL**

- People that influence our behaviour and actions
- Exploring ethical codes

# SPIRITUAL

Ethics in other religious traditions

### **SPIRITUALITY**

### **PERSONAL**

- Being a Franciscan in my community
- Spirituality and my family

### **RELATIONAL**

- Franciscan rituals at Padua
- The stories of St Francis, St Anthony and St Clare

### **SPIRITUAL**

• Franciscan signs and symbols

The meaning and purpose that St Francis holds within our Padua Community

EXAMPLES OF CONNECTION TO SENIOR SECONDARY COURSE	LINKS TO RELIGIOUS LIFE OF COLLEGE
YEAR 12	Student Liturgical Ministers Sacramental Program
Catholic Studies  • People of Faith, Men of Action	PC Eagles
<ul><li>Expression of Religion through arts and social media</li><li>Spirituality and Well being</li></ul>	Friday Mass
SOR	College Masses and Liturgies
<ul><li>Unit 3 Religious Ethics</li><li>Unit 4 Religion, Rights and the Nation State</li></ul>	Daily Prayer  Easter Liturgy
	Camp Liturgies
EXAMPLES OF CONNECTION TO SENIOR SECONDARY COURSE	LINKS TO RELIGIOUS LIFE OF COLLEGE
RELIGION AND ETHICS	Sacramental Program
HEROES AND ROLE MODELS PERSONAL	
A personal role model	
<ul> <li>Reasons why these types of heroes chosen are relevant to students</li> </ul>	
RELATIONAL	



- True hero who overcomes obstacles, perseveres and shows courage
- Characteristics of heroes in media and real life
- Historical events that have seen heroes emerge eg Holocaust, 9/11, Hiroshima

### **SPIRITUAL**

- Religious traditions, their stories and highlighting the lives of heroes
- Characteristics of religious role models and heroes.

### **PEACE AND CONFLICT**

### **PERSONAL**

- Identifying examples of non violence
- Personal attitudes to violence around the world
- Effects of global violence on the individual

### **RELATIONAL**

- · Perceptions of just war and social justice
- Peace and anti war movements

#### **SPIRITUAL**

- What is a Franciscan approach to peace and conflict
- How Francis of Assisi dealt with these events in his life
- Examples of Francis demonstrating peace

### **MEANING AND PURPOSE**

### **PERSONAL**

- Thinking about where do we come from
- Studying indigenous spirituality today?

### **RELATIONAL**

- The importance of sustainability
- Reflecting on being a more caring person?

### **SPIRITUAL**

- Identify origins in other religions of the world
- The importance of a pilgrimage? eg Franciscan pilgrimage

### **RELIGIONS OF THE WORLD**

### **PERSONAL**

 Looking towards greater knowledge, understanding and tolerance of other religions



Learning about similarities and differences within religions

# RELATIONAL

- Exploring key ideas and concepts of other religions
- Signs and symbols of religion
- Franciscan signs and symbols

# SPIRITUAL

- Importance of prayer and reflection in other religions
- Research different spiritual practices of other religions