

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

At St Michael's we believe that Religious Education is a lifelong process. Our focus is:

- Religious faith and development in support of the family;
- Personal integration;
- Life skills and intellectual competency; and
- Social responsibility.

Learning experiences in Religious Education will assist students to:

- Personally foster a growing understanding of and relationship with God;
- help individuals to understand themselves and their Catholic faith tradition and to have an appreciation of the faith traditions of others;
- enable individuals to participate fully in the life of the Catholic community;
- promote growth in self knowledge and in knowledge of the life, faith tradition and mission of the Catholic Church;
- increase their understanding of religion generally and of different religious ways of seeing reality; and
- develop a love, understanding and appreciation of the scriptures.

Religious Education is an essential and valued area of learning which develops intellectual, spiritual, emotional and behavioural aspects of education.

