Religious Education – Schedule of Works

The Vine and the Branches

At St Mary's Catholic Primary School, we follow The Vine and the Branches scheme of work for Religious Education.

This scheme is based on the Religious Education Directory for Catholic schools- To know you more clearly. It contains systematic and rigorous teaching and learning, at least equal to that of other curriculum areas and is followed in accordance with The Diocese of Shrewsbury guidelines.

The Vine and the Branches supports teachers in the delivery of the six branches contained within the Religious Education Directory. The model curriculum presents the expected outcomes in six curriculum branches that correspond to the six half-terms of a school year. The model curriculum is rooted in the narrative of salvation history and leads pupils on a journey in each year of schooling that gives a sequence to the learning. As they revisit each branch in each year of school they come to a deeper understanding of its significance for Catholic belief and practice, which allows them to make links between the four knowledge lenses within the context of the narrative of salvation history.

The six curriculum branches are: creation and covenant, prophecy and promise, Galilee to Jerusalem, desert to garden, to the ends of the Earth, and dialogue and encounter.

