

MISSION AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION POLICY

RATIONALE

It is essential for all Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese to explicitly articulate the nature and purpose of Catholic schooling within the broader evangelising mission of the Church.

Our school motto '*To know, love and serve*' guides our practices and program at OLR as they relate to the Catholic Church, our God and our community.

VALUES

Meaningful; Collaborative; Child-Centred; Positive; Respectful and Reflective.

POLICY PRINCIPLES

We strive to create and maintain a religious education curriculum that promotes knowledge, deep understanding and skills about the Catholic and broader Christian traditions.

We believe in a cohesive and integrated approach to nurturing and promoting the religious life of the school and the faith formation of staff and students, through the professional learning of staff in religious education, theology and spirituality.

RELATED PROCEDURES, PROGRAMS AND PRACTICES

Planning, teaching, assessing, reporting

Parish Sacramental Program

Collaborative teacher work

Professional Development

Staff Spiritual Formation (Catching Fire)

Religious practice (prayer, liturgy, and meditation)

Outreach and almsgiving (Earth Charter, Mini-Vinnies)