



St Bernadette's Primary School *Dundas Valley*

Religious Literacy Assessment

Dear Parents,

With you, we are committed to develop children's literacy in every area of learning, and this also includes Religious Education. Religious Education in Catholic schools has always aimed to develop children's capacity to express their growing understanding, appreciation, thoughts, questions and insights into God, Jesus, the Scriptures, the Church, the Sacraments, Prayer and life as a Christian.

Teachers are continually assessing students' learning and reporting to you on their developing religious literacy. In addition to this school-based assessment, and in consultation with the Parramatta Diocesan Schools Board, all Year 4 and Year 6 students in Primary and Year 8 and Year 10 students in Secondary participate in a Diocesan Assessment of their religious literacy. Students in these grades complete an online assessment during Term 3. The students answer a series of multiple choice questions related to their learning in Religious Education.

In addition, Year 4 students also complete a variety of learning tasks related to the Religious Education unit, Reconciliation: *God's Forgiveness and Healing*. Their achievement in completing these tasks will be formally assessed. A report based on students' completion of these assessments will be forwarded to parents during Term 4.

Should you require further information, please contact your child's teacher, Miss Simone (Acting Religious Education Co-ordinator) or myself.

Regards

Mary Ann Gatt-Petrini

Principal