

# ST MARGARET MARY'S INFANT SCHOOL

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### AUTUMN TERM 2016

### COME AND SEE AT HOME



Welcome back to a new school year.

This term we will be studying the three themes of Domestic Church (Family), Baptism and Confirmation (Belonging) and Advent and Christmas (Loving). Each Year Group will approach the themes through different topics. The children will also spend a week studying Judaism.

We will, as always, spend the first few weeks of term looking at our Mission Statement and Class Rules and Charters.

On 14<sup>th</sup> October we will celebrate The Feast of St Margaret Mary with a service in church at 2pm, during the service we will welcome our new Reception children to the school family.

**Please come and join us for this special celebration.**

#### DOMESTIC CHURCH - FAMILY

*(19<sup>th</sup> September-14<sup>th</sup> October)*

<b>Early Years</b>	<b>MYSELF</b> - God knows and loves each one
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>FAMILIES</b> - God's love and care for every family
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>BEGINNINGS</b> - God is present in every beginning

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Make a collage using family photographs of all the significant family members—grandparents, parents, children, aunts, uncles etc. who show God's love.

Write underneath it  
"We show God's love to one another."

#### BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION - BELONGING

*(17<sup>th</sup> October-18<sup>th</sup> November)*

<b>Early Years</b>	<b>WELCOME</b> - Baptism: a welcome to God's family
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>BELONGING</b> - Baptism: an invitation to belong to God's family
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>SIGNS AND SYMBOLS</b> - Signs and symbols in Baptism

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk to your child about their Baptism or to someone who has been to a Baptism and/or Confirmation about their memories of this celebration.

#### JUDAISM (21<sup>st</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> November)

Pupils will study various aspects of Judaism for one week. Ask them what they have been learning about.

#### ADVENT/CHRISTMAS - LOVING

*(28<sup>th</sup> November-20<sup>th</sup> December)*

<b>Early Years</b>	<b>BIRTHDAY</b> - Looking forward to Jesus' birthday
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>WAITING</b> - Advent: a time to look forward to Christmas
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>PREPARATIONS</b> - Advent: preparing to celebrate Christmas

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Discuss with the children how your family welcomes visitors to your home.

Find out about some Christian symbols for Advent e.g. Advent wreath, calendar, Jesse tree.