UNITS:

- **St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop**: Mary and her sisters taught in many different places in Australia. Mary and her sisters worked for Jesus.
- **Jesus**: Jesus had many special friends who helped Him with His work.
- **Holy Spirit/Pentecost**: At Pentecost, we celebrate when the Church, God’s people, began to spread the Good News.
- **Creation**: God made all creation. God made humans, we are a special creation. He gave us Free Will.

**Assessment: St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop**

**Main Idea**: Mary and her sisters taught in many different places in Australia. Mary and her sisters worked for Jesus.

**During this unit the children will**:

- Deepen their understanding of what a ‘saint’ is.
- Explore the life of Mary MacKillop as a worker for Jesus.
- Recognise the value of helping, like Mary MacKillop did, in their lives.

**Things your child will learn**:

- A saint is a special friend of God who lived a holy life and now lives with God in Heaven.
- Saints had a great faith in God.
- Saints expressed their love of God and God’s love, to others.
- Mary MacKillop is Australia’s first saint. St. Mary of the Cross is her saint’s name.
- Mary used Jesus as her model.
- Mary was a teacher.
- Mary educated others in faith.
- As a worker for Jesus, Mary faced many challenges and successes.
- Mary MacKillop and the Sisters of St. Joseph worked for Jesus throughout Australia.
- The Sisters of St. Joseph still help people around the world today.
- As a baptised Catholic, I am also a worker for Jesus.

**Things your child will do to show what they have learnt**:

- Complete an information report about Mary MacKillop’s life and work.
- Describe ways in which they help and serve others, like Mary MacKillop.
- Reflect upon the sayings of Saint Mary of the Cross and their relevance for everyday life.