

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION GUIDE



*“Find new ways to spread the word of God  
to every corner of the world.”*

**Pope Francis**

**Kilbreda College**

A Kildare Education Ministries School in the Brigidine Tradition



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The learning and teaching program at Kilbreda College is both dynamic and innovative, catering for the students' spiritual, academic, social, emotional and physical development. Students are challenged to be creative, critical and reflective thinkers and to develop a broad and transferable skill set. Opportunities for both independent and collaborative learning are provided and contemporary technologies are integrated throughout the learning and teaching program.

Religious Education is at the heart of the school curriculum. Students have opportunities to explore tradition and practices, Church history, Christian values and morality, and interfaith dialogue. They also learn how to connect their cultural and life experience with religion and look at faith and spirituality to help make sense of the world. Religious Education, together with many other aspects of school life, builds in our students an understanding of themselves and their identity that has connections with people that have gone before them. Students are invited to prayer as a part of their learning and, in the broader context of Faith and Mission, participate in a variety of liturgies and rituals.

An integral part of the Religious Education curriculum is our commitment to social justice. This notion is explored within areas of study at every year level, allowing students to effectively develop a deeper understanding of this important commitment. This is then reinforced through the Living Justice initiatives of the College, which engages students, staff and families throughout the year.

The Religious Education program aims to help students reflect on their beliefs and values, foster their own spirituality and to reach out to others in our world, inspiring Kilbreda girls to live the Brigidine motto of *Strength and Kindliness*.

## Religious Education Curriculum

The Religious Education curriculum is year long at each year level.

YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9
<b>Core Study - Year Long</b>	<b>Core Study - Year Long</b>	<b>Core Study - Year Long</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Religious Education</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Religious Education</li> </ul>	Core Study and Elective each semester <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 x Core Units</li> <li>2 x Elective Choices               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Culture In Context</li> <li>Living Justice</li> <li>Mission In Action</li> <li>Women Can Shape The World</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
YEAR 10	YEAR 11	YEAR 12
<b>VCE Study - Year Long</b>	<b>VCE Study - Year Long</b>	<b>Core Study - Year Long</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Religion and Society - Unit 1, or</li> <li>Texts and Traditions - Unit 1</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Religion and Society (Ethics) - Unit 2, or</li> <li>Texts and Traditions 3&amp;4 (Units 3&amp;4 may be alternately done in Year 12.)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Based Religious Education               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Social Justice</li> <li>Spirituality</li> <li>Kildare and Kilbreda Values</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## Annual Events

### Brigidine Day

This day is dedicated to celebrating St Brigid and living out her legacy. While the classroom allows students to develop an understanding of our patroness, this day develops the social justice initiatives of the College by raising funds to support vulnerable communities. In addition to the celebration of a College Mass, there is a presentation of the Brigid Awards – peer nominated awards given to students who demonstrate *Strength and Kindliness* and enact the College values. Students also have the opportunity participate in a number of fun activities throughout the day, allowing the community to celebrate together.



## Cocurricular and Enrichment Opportunities

- Seminar Days
- *Building Bridges* Interfaith Group
- Reflection Days
- Living Justice group
- Community Action group



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