#### LEARNING STRAND

# MYSELF AND OTHERS - KO AU, KO RATOU

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAMME for Year 1

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#### INTRODUCTION TO THE TEACHER MATERIAL

#### MYSELF AND OTHERS - KO AU, KO RATOU

#### **ACHIEVEMENT AIMS**

In their Health and Physical Education programmes complemented by the Myself and Others Learning Module, children will gain and apply knowledge, skills, attitudes and values to understand:

- 1. the purpose of Gods gift of life.
- 2. that people are unique and gifted and God dwells within each person Te Tapu o te tangata reflects Te Tapu o Te Atua the sacredness of people reflects the sacredness of God.
- 3. that people need to be in relationship, and good relationships involve communicating, giving and receiving.
- 4. the Commandments and guidelines for Catholics which will enable them to make free and informed conscience decisions.
- 5. that tapu restrictions are put in place to maintain the dignity of people and to protect their intrinsic tapu their very being.
- 6. that life is a journey, Te Wa, with various stages in which people are challenged to grow to be their best selves and to become Christlike.

These Achievement Aims underlie the concepts which are to be added to Health and Physical Education programmes in Catholic primary schools. They are included in this Learning Module in what is called the Catholic Perspective alongside the Achievement Objectives on pages 12-28.

Assessment of these aims will be included with teachers' formative and summative assessment of their Health and Physical Education programmes.





# THE PLACE AND PURPOSE OF THE MYSELF AND OTHERS LEARNING MODULE IN THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAMME AND ITS RELATION TO THE SPECIAL CATHOLIC CHARACTER OF THE SCHOOL

The Myself and Others Learning Module is to be used in conjunction with the Health and Physical Education Curriculum. At the time of writing this Learning Module the final Health and Physical Education Curriculum Statement and the first of the support materials were being published and distributed to schools.

The purpose of the Myself and Others Learning Module is to provide teachers with a resource which offers a Catholic perspective related to concepts in the Health Curriculum as expressed in the diagram on page 4. It provides ideas for teachers to include as they teach material in Learning Strands A, C and D. It is not intended to be a complete Catholic health programme.

The Special Character of Catholic schools requires that all areas of the curriculum are to be taught from a Catholic Perspective. The Health and PE curriculum offers many opportunities for children to hear what the Church has to say on current issues. These experiences supplement what is being taught in the Religious Education programme and they offer children the chance to transfer and apply the knowledge and skills and demonstrate the attitudes they have learnt in a different context.

One of the Underlying Concepts of the Health and PE Curriculum is Attitudes and Values and in Catholic schools this can be integrated very meaningfully with the Christian Attitudes and Values promoted and lived out as an essential part of the Catholic Character of the School and taught in the RE programme.

In the material provided in this book the attitudes/values are bolded to draw teachers attention to them. They are bolded in the Information for Family-Whanau section as well, so that parents are alerted to how Christian attitudes and values are integrated into the Health programme.

Many teachers already add a Catholic dimension to their class programmes very effectively. The Myself and Others Learning Module seeks to ensure that all teachers do this in ways which make sense to children and help them to see the links between what they are learning in RE and real life situations. It will also give children opportunities to reflect on what Catholics believe and the attitudes that have been passed on to them by the Catholic community. Teachers will need to make professional judgements about the most appropriate level of Achievement Objectives to use with their class and work with the books which best suit their needs.

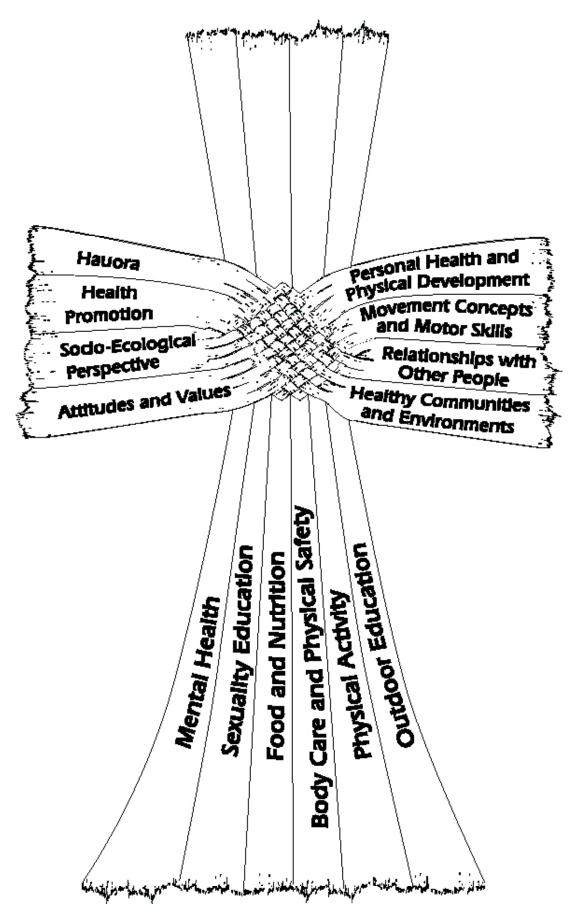
The books for each year are based on the levels as outlined in the Health and Physical Education Curriculum as follows:

Level 1 - Year 1 Orange Book	Level 3 - Year 5 Pink Book
Level 1 - Year 2 Green Book	Level 3 - Year 6 Blue Book
Level 2 - Year 3 Yellow Book	Level 4 - Year 7 Red Book
Level 2 - Year 4 Purple Book	Level 4 - Year 8 Teal Book



# A Catholic Perspective on the Health and Physical Education Curriculum

"The Glory of GOD is the HUMAN PERSON fully alive"





## HOW THE MATERIAL IN THE MYSELF AND OTHERS LEARNING MODULE RELATES TO

# THE UNDERLYING CONCEPTS THE LEARNING STRANDS THE KEY LEARNING AREAS

#### IN THE HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM

The Health and Physical Education Curriculum has 3 interrelated dimensions which need to be considered. They are:

#### The Underlying Concepts

- Hauora
- · Health Promotion
- · Socio-ecological perspective
- · Attitudes and Values

#### These 4 concepts support the Framework for learning in the Health Curriculum

#### **Learning Strands**

- · A Personal Health and Physical Development
- · B Movement Concepts and Motor Skills
- · C Relationships with Other People
- · D Healthy Communities and Environments

These 4 Learning Strands include the body of knowledge, skills and attitudes to be covered in Health and Physical Education

#### **Key Areas of Learning**

- Mental Health
- · Sexuality Education
- · Food and Nutrition
- · Body Care and Physical Safety
- Physical Activity
- Sports Studies
- Outdoor Education

These 7 Key Learning Areas are the contexts in which current Health and Physical Education needs and issues can be addressed.





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#### IN THE HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM

The Curriculum incorporates Health Education, Physical Education and aspects of Home Economics as 3 separate subjects.

The subject for which a Catholic Perspective is provided in the Myself and Others Learning Module is **Health Education**.

#### There is a Catholic Perspective included for

- the 4 **Underlying Concepts** in the statements on pages 8-9
- the concepts dealt with in **Learning Strands A, C and D** in the material on pages 12-29
- the **Key Areas of Learning** of Mental Health, Sexuality Education, Food and Nutrition an Body Care and Physical Safety in the Theological Focus, pages 7-8.

The material that is provided in the Module is based on the suggestions listed for each Achievement Objective in Learning Strands A, C and D in the Health Curriculum Statement on pages 14-19. The ideas are broad enough to be adapted as schools develop their own health programmes and make use of the Ministry of Education and other support materials to meet the needs of their children and their communities.

A Catholic Perspective on Strand B - Motor Concepts and Motor Skills is not necessary and therefore is not included.

The Theological Focus for Myself and Others gives an overview of intrinsic Catholic beliefs about the meaning and value of life, vocation and relationships with reference to the **Key Areas of Learning in the Health and Physical Education Curriculum**.

As well as this there is a statement giving the Catholic Perspective on each of the Underlying Concepts which teachers could reflect on when planning and preparing their Health Programmes.

#### **INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES - WHANAU**

As with Religious Education, the Health Curriculum needs the support from the home to help children understand and develop attitudes and skills which will enable them to have a healthy life style.

Information for Families-Whanau is included which relates to each Achievement Objective. The suggested ideas aim to help parents reinforce at home the Catholic perspective of the class health programme topics.

This information could be included in school newsletters or shared as part of the consultation process with parents. It supplements the material in the Family-Whanau book.



#### THEOLOGICAL FOCUS

# LEARNING MODULE - MYSELF AND OTHERS KO AU, KO RATOU

Reference to Paragraph numbers in the Catechism of the Catholic Church

#### 1700-1724

The key to this Learning Module lies in a proper appreciation of the answer to the question - what is the meaning and purpose of human life? From a Catholic perspective the answer is clear. Each human person has a dignity rooted in the fact that they are made in the image and likeness of God and share in God's Tapu and Mana. Not only that, each is also made with a purpose or vocation - to grow in love and communion with others and the God who created them and intends for them eternal happiness. As Pope John Paul II puts it "God inscribed in the humanity of man and woman the vocation, and thus the capacity and responsibility, of love and communion. Love is therefore the fundamental and innate vocation of every human being". (The Role of the Christian Family in the Modern World N.11) This understanding of the meaning and purpose of human life underlies the approach of a Catholic school to Mental Health, a Key Area of Learning in the Health and Physical Education Curriculum.

#### 1730-1832

The vocation to love, described by Pope John Paul II, is developed in freedom. It is therefore developed in a moral context. In their relationships human beings have the capacity to choose, and their choices are subject to the judgement of conscience. Parents, family-whanau, priests and educators all have a role to play in helping children begin the life-long process of developing educated consciences. That is, consciences which are well informed, and formed in the light of the Word of God - Te Kupu a Te Ariki and the teaching of the Church.

#### 2221-2331

From such an understanding of human life, certain values and attitudes regarding the human person and human relationships follow naturally. It is these attitudes and values that Catholic parents seek to pass on to their children. This Learning Module seeks to help teachers support parents in this important task.

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One key value concerns our bodies. In Christian tradition human bodies are regarded as 'temples of the Holy Spirit' (1 Cor 6:19). As such they are to be valued, cared for and properly used. Obviously such an understanding relates easily to Key Areas of Learning in the Curriculum such as; Food and Nutrition, Body Care and Physical Safety, Physical Activity, Sports Studies and Outdoor Education.

In the same way children can be taught to value not only themselves, but also others, as persons with the inherent dignity - tapu - of beings created in the image of God. And God created us male and female. That is, our sexuality - our femaleness and maleness and all that goes with it - is part of God's design and to be valued as such. In support of the family-whanau, teachers can help children in a true appreciation of the dignity of each person as male or female. They can also begin to appreciate the importance of sexuality in their vocation to love. In a Catholic

school, it is from such a perspective that the Key Area of Learning in the Health and Physical Education Curriculum, Sexuality, is approached.





#### THEOLOGICAL FOCUS

# Pope John Paul II points out that as human beings we are each created as 'an incarnate spirit, that is a soul which expresses itself in a body and a body informed by an immortal spirit'. This means that 'love includes the human body, and the body is made a sharer in spiritual love'. So parents and other educators have a responsibility to help children develop a proper understanding, not drawing false distinctions between body and spirit but rather helping them to appreciate that we are called to love in 'our unified totality.' (The Role of the Christian Family in the Modern World N.11)

To love is to be in relationship. The union of love - aroha among the three divine persons of the Trinity is a model for human relationships. Each human person is called to be in a relationship with others - a relationship which involves giving and receiving. There is much to learn about building loving relationships within and beyond the family-whanau and thus living out our primary vocation.

All people develop through various stages on the journey of life - Te Wa. Each stage brings new challenges and goals to achieve. There is time for children to learn from family-whanau and teachers, appropriate information, attitudes and values that will help them develop truly loving relationships with self, God and others. Everyone has a role to play to help guide and encourage so that people can use their gifts, grow in tapu and mana, and achieve their goals on their life journey - Te Wa.

#### A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE ON THE FOUR UNDERLYING CONCEPTS

#### Well-Being - Hauora

The concepts of well-being and hauora are essentially about a holistic approach to living. These concepts recognise the inter-relatedness of the various dimensions which contribute to well-being or hauora. Thus when dealing with the Key Learning Area of Mental Health, the focus is on learning about various things that contribute to mental well-being and not on mental illness.

Such an understanding of the need for integration of various elements to provide harmony, completeness or fulfilment has strong roots in Christian tradition. In the Old Testament the word shalom (often translated as peace -rangimarie) also carries the connotation of completion or harmony. To wish someone shalom is to wish them the peace that comes from being in right relationship with God - Te Atua, oneself and the community, as well as from good health and a level of material prosperity.

In the New Testament, Jesus often wished peace (shalom) on his disciples. For Christians, Jesus is their peace because he is the bond of communion with God. This is not a purely individual relationship, for love of God includes love of neighbour and self. In fact this love of self is a reflection of God's love for us, and is necessary for our well-being.

Neither does the emphasis on spirituality - taha wairua indicate a neglect of the other dimensions of humanity. Just the opposite in fact if we take seriously the insight of the mediaeval scholastics that 'grace builds on nature'. In other words, God works through our humanity. After all it was God who created human beings, not as angels, but as creatures with free will, the capacity to choose good - tika or evil - he, and the capacity for growth in all our dimensions. In the famous words of St Irenaeus, "the glory of God is the human person fully alive".

The concepts of well-being and hauora complement such a Catholic understanding of the human person - te tangata, and may thus easily form part of the underlying philosophy of the health and physical education programmes in Catholic schools.



#### A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE ON THE FOUR UNDERLYING CONCEPTS

#### **Health Promotion**

The concept of health promotion is about a process that helps create supportive environments and requires the involvement of the wider school community.

This concept relates easily to the Catholic understanding that, "life and physical health are precious gifts - taonga entrusted to us by God. We must take reasonable care of them, taking into account the needs of others and the common good" [CCC 2288].

#### The Socio-Ecological Perspective

The Health and Physical Education Curriculum Statement says that through the Socio-Ecological Perspective, students "will learn to take into account the considerations that affect society as a whole as well as individual considerations and will discover the need to integrate these". The general idea is that individuals should accept responsibility for creating a better 'environment' for the general benefit. The 'environment' could be the home, the classroom, the playground or the wider social or natural environment.

This underlying concept relates well to the Catholic social justice principle of the Common Good. By common good is to be understood "the sum total of social conditions which allow people, either in groups or as individuals, to reach their fulfilment more fully and more easily. The common good concerns the life of all" [CCC 1906].

The common good consists of three essential elements; respect for the dignity and worth of the person - te tapu o te tangata, the social well-being and development of the group - taha whanau, and peace - rangimarie.

The features of the Socio-Ecological Perspective outlined in the Curriculum Statement obviously marry well with the principle of the common good. This principle extends to humanitys relationship with the natural environment. Catholic teaching reminds people that their control "over inanimate and other living beings granted by the Creator is not absolute; it is limited by concern for the quality of life of their neighbour, including generations to come; it requires a religious respect for the integrity of creation". (CCC 2415-18)

#### Attitudes and Values

The Health and Physical Education Curriculum Statement list a number of attitudes and values which health and physical education are designed to promote. They include such things as: respect for the rights of others, care and concern - manaaki for other people and the environment, and a sense of social justice - tika.

Some of these attitudes and values are identical to those that Catholic schools seek to pass on as part of their Catholic Character, and others are complementary.

As the Theological Focus for this Learning Module points out, the attitudes and values Catholic parents and schools seek to pass on to their children flow from a particular understanding of human life. This

is that each person has a dignity rooted in the fact that they are made in the image and likeness of God, share in God's Tapu and Mana and that the fundamental vocation of each person is love - aroha.

The attitudes and values of the Health and Physical Education Curriculum are thus to be integrated into the attitudes and values that the Catholic home and school strives to model and teach. In essence these are the attitudes and values of Jesus Christ.





#### SUGGESTIONS FOR USING THIS LEARNING MODULE

This material is designed for teachers to use alongside their Health programmes. When preparing their Health programmes teachers need to consider the Catholic perspective and incorporate some of the ideas and language into their Learning Outcomes for each lesson and into their assessment strategies as well.

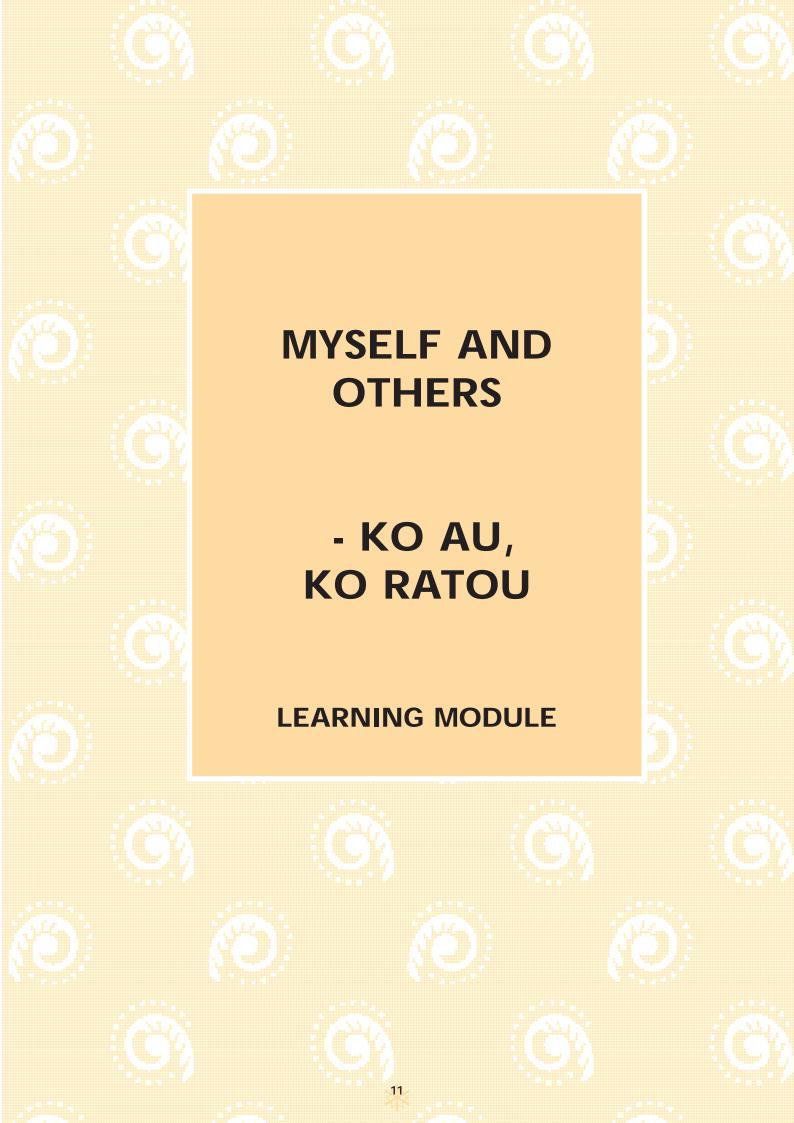
Teachers may **photocopy pages with the photocopy note** from the Module and include them in their planning book to remind them to include the Catholic perspective as they work through their Health programmes. They may also like to record the names of resources they have which could be included in the lessons for future reference.

The links between the other Essential Learning Areas have been included to enable teachers, as they plan their programmes, to see the overlap of content and help children to make connections between various topics so they can experience more holistic learning.

The Suggested Resources could be used in an integrated approach to support the ideas being presented in the Health lessons or as part of other Essential Learning Areas including Religious Education.

# **Explanation of the Format of the Strand / Achievement Objective Material in this Learning Module**

- The material is printed in the order of the **Strands A, C and D,** but does not need to be taught in that order.
- The **Focus Statement** is a short statement which focuses on the concepts in the Achievement Objective and relates them to Catholic beliefs whakapono.
- The material in the left hand column is taken from the examples in the Health and PE Curriculum for each **Achievement Objective**.
- The material in the right hand column is the **Catholic Perspective** related to each idea in the left hand column. The bolded words are the Christian values which children are encouraged to develop.
- The **Suggested Resources** list classroom resources which present a Christian outlook that could be used as part of the Health programme on this topic.
- The material which relates to other **Essential Learning Areas** identifies the links in the Learning Strands of the Religious Education, the Social Studies and the Health Curriculum.
- The Additional Resources box is supplied as a space for teachers to list resources they have found themselves.
- The **Information for Families-Whanau** is information which could be included as part of material that is sent home to parents to keep them informed about the current class Health topic. The Christian values are bolded in this information also and parents need to be made aware of this.



#### LEVEL 1 STRAND A PERSONAL HEALTH AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

#### **Focus Statement**

Our bodies are part of the Creation, which God made and 'saw that it was good'. In grateful response to this gift we respect our own dignity and tapu and the dignity and tapu of others, and care for our own and others' bodies.

#### **Achievement Objective 1:**

#### **Personal Growth and Development**

The students will describe feelings and ask questions about health, growth, development and personal needs, eg

#### **Suggested Contexts:**

- $\bullet$  changes in people's growth patterns from birth onwards
- exercise, rest, food, shelter, love

- care and protection
- what it means to be healthy
- · names of parts of the body

#### **Catholic Perspective:**

- Te Atua God's plan for people is they should grow and change
- Te Atua God, who created people wants them to take care of their bodies by having exercise, rest and healthy food
- Taking care of their bodies is a way people say thank you to God for the gift - taonga of their bodies
- The love aroha and care manaakitanga of whanau-families are God's gifts - taonga to people
- God created all people to be happy and healthy
- People's bodies are God's wonderful creation and they must be treated with respect
- Each part of people's bodies has been created by God - Te Atua to help them enjoy being alive

#### **Suggested Resources:**

"How Should We Give?" from "Jesus and Me" by V Gilbert Beers, Candle Books, Cumbria 1998

"The Velveteen Rabbit" by Margery Williams, Heinemann, London 1970

"God Gave Me a Face for Feelings" by Laurie Lazzaro Knowlton, Grace Publications

"Marvellous Me" by Dr Anne Townsend

"God Made All of Me" by Jolynn Johanning, Resource Publications USA 1992

"You are Special" by Jill Eggelton, Sunshine Books

"Eat Up" by Jane Buxton \*

"The Green Dragon" by John Lockyer \*

"A Name Garden" by Diana Noonan \*

"My Day" by Karen Anderson \*

\* These books are available from Sunshine Book agents

#### **Relevant Scripture References:**

Genesis 1:1-31, 2:1-4 Psalm 139

#### Prayers and Songs from Year 1 Music and Prayer Learning Strand Resource:

'Our God Is Good' page 4
'God Holds the Whole World' page 6
'I Have a Name' page 9
'I Am Special' page 11

Grace before and after meals page 56

'And It Was Good' page 5
'One Life - One Creator' page 7
'Whose Face?' page 10
'I Can ...' page 13



#### Level 1 Strand A Personal Health and Physical Development

Links between Health Strand A, AO 1 and other Essential Learning Areas:

Religious Education Year 1
God Learning Strand - God the Creator

Lesson 6 - People Must Care For Creation Lesson 8 - I am Alive, I am Unique, I am Tapu Lesson 10 - People Need Love

Social Studies Level 1 - Time, Continuity and Change - AO 2

Science Level 1 - Making Sense of the Living World - AO 2, AO 3

Additional Resources: (list other useful resources)



#### Information for Families-Whanau

Children need to have opportunities to discover the wonder of their own and other peoples growth and development which is part of God's plan for people to live and be happy. Talk to children about how their body is a gift - taonga from God and that taking care of it is a way of giving thanks to God - Te Atua for this gift. Taking care means having regular exercise, enough rest, eating healthy foods and giving and receiving love - aroha and care - manaakitanga. Encourage children to develop an **attitude of respect for their bodies** and other peoples bodies by treating them with care and gentleness.

In family-whanau time and prayer thank God for the gift of life and a healthy body.



#### Level 1 Strand A Personal Health and Physical Development

#### **Focus Statement**

Our bodies are part of the Creation, which God made and 'saw that it was good'. In grateful response to this gift we respect our own dignity and tapu and the dignity and tapu of others, and care for our own and others bodies.

#### **Achievement Objective 3:**

Safety and Risk Management Students will describe and demonstrate simple health care and safety procedures, eg

#### **Suggested Contexts:**

#### simple hygiene practices

- safety procedures to follow that relate to fire, roads, sun and water
- · procedures to follow during illness
- procedures for addressing physical challenges
- · activating emergency systems
- · playing games
- · preparing snack foods
- responding to unwanted touching

#### **Catholic Perspective:**

- God wants us to care for our bodies by keeping ourselves clean so we will be healthy and happy people
- Taking care to keep ourselves safe is the right tika thing to do and that is good
- Paying attention to rules which are made to keep people safe is what God wants people to do
- Taking responsibility for our own safety
- · Playing safe games is such a good thing to do
- Our bodies are sacred tapu and precious and we should always look after them and respect them

#### **Suggested Resources:**

"Me at the Swimming Pool" by Jan Godfrey, A Little Lion Book, Oxford 1989

"Lost" by Mary Shepherd, School Journal Pt 1 No. 2 1985

"Don't Go Near the Canal" by June Leonard, School Journal Pt 1 No 5 1988

"The Children's Friend" by Joy Cowley, Wendy Pye (B.V.) Ltd Auckland 1994

"I Smell Smoke" by Debra J. Blenus \*

"Be Careful Matthew" by Pauline Huggins \*

"The Green Dragon" by Belinda Thompson \*

"What Would You Do?" by Brian Birchall \*

\* These books are available from Sunshine Book agents

#### **Relevant Scripture References:**

Mark 10:13-16

#### Prayers and Songs from Year 1 Music and Prayer Learning Strand Resource:

'Jesus Loves the Little Children' page 27

'Let the Children Come' page 28

'Welcome Song - Haere Mai, E Hehu' page 29



#### LEVEL 1 STRAND A PERSONAL HEALTH AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Links between Health Strand A, AO 3 and other Essential Learning Areas:

Religious Education Year 1 Jesus Christ Learning Strand - Jesus My Friend

Lesson 4 - Jesus Had Fun - We Have Fun Lesson 9 - Jesus is a Friend of the Children

Keeping Ourselves Safe Programme - Different Kinds of Touching

Social Studies Level 1 - Time, Continuity, and Change - AO 1 Resources and Economic Activities - AO 1 Culture and Heritage - AO 2

Science Level 1
Making Sense of the Material World - AO 2, AO 4
Making Sense of the Physical World - AO 4

Additional Resources: (list other useful resources)



#### Information for Families-Whanau

Encouraging children to use safe practices in everyday situations helps them to realise they are important and precious people who are loved greatly. Teaching children to have an **attitude that it is right and good - tika to do good things** starts when they are young - reminding them when they forget and praising them when they do the right thing enforces the right messages. Parents are the models children are most influenced by so they must also use safe practices. It is important to explain to children why something is unsafe and the consequences of doing things that are unsafe. Encourage older brothers and sisters - tuakana to show a good example to younger family-whanau members - teina.



#### Level 1 Strand A Personal Health and Physical Development

#### **Focus Statement**

Each person has an inherent personal dignity and tapu by virtue of being created in the image of God - Te Atua.

#### Achievement Objective 4:

#### Personal Identity and Self Worth

The students will describe themselves in relation to a range of contexts, eq

#### **Suggested Contexts:**

- in relation to their class, classmates, community, friends,
  - whanau, iwi
- play preferences
- school
- their feelings about themselves in relation to gender, culture or abilities

#### **Catholic Perspective:**

- Belonging to groups is important because it helps people to discover who they are. Groups help, care - manaaki and encourage them to try new things
- Each person is unique and special in God's eyes
  People have special things they like to do because
  they are different and God loves each person as
  they are
- God Te Atua wants people to be confident and proud of themselves - proud to be a boy or a girl, proud to be Maori, or Pakeha or Chinese or Samoan. God has given all people gifts to be used to help themselves and others

#### **Suggested Resources:**

- "Sharing is Fun" by V Gilbert Beers from "Jesus and Me" Candle Books, Cumbria 1998
- "Happy Families"
- "Edna Eagles" by Gwen Costello, 23rd Publications, Mystic, Connecticut 1992
- "I Like Being Alone" by Betty Ren, Wright Chariot Books
- "Just Because I am" by Lauren Payne, Free Spirit Publishing, Minnesota 1994
- "37 Activities for Developing Self Esteem"
- "There's No-One Like Me" by Richard Gunther \*
- "Mrs Barnetts Birthday" by Diana Noonan \*
- \* These books are available from Sunshine Book agents

#### **Relevant Scripture References:**

Luke 1:39-43,56

#### Songs from Year 1 Music and Prayer Learning Strand Resource:

"I Have a Name' page 9
'Welcome to the Family' page 45

'Toku Whanau - My Family' page 44 'God Has Made Us a Family' page 46

'A Blessing Song' page 50



#### LEVEL 1 STRAND A PERSONAL HEALTH AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Links between Health Strand A, AO 4 and other Essential Learning Areas:

**Religious Education Year 1** 

**God Learning Strand - God the Creator** 

Lesson 8 - I am Alive, I am Unique, I am Tapu

Church - Community of Disciples Learning Strand - Belonging

Lesson 1 - We Belong to Our Family-Whanau

Lesson 3 - We Belong to Our Whanau - Our Extended Family

Lesson 4 - We Belong, Participate and Celebrate at School

Lesson 5 - Whanau Care, Share and Help One Another on the Marae

Lesson 6 - We Belong, Participate and Celebrate in our Parish

Lesson 11 - Our Parish Carries on the Work of Jesus

Social Studies Level 1 Culture and Heritage - AO 1, AO 2

Additional Resources: (list other useful resources)



#### Information for Families-Whanau

Childrens feelings of self-worth come first from their families-whanau. Children pick up on verbal and non-verbal messages about how much they are valued by others and this has a deep effect on how they feel about themselves. Children need to have set tasks around the home and know they are trusted to do them. This helps them to become competent and responsible and to feel empowered to take an active part in family-whanau life. This helps them also to become aware of their importance in the family-whanau, thus building up their self-esteem. They need to hear often that they are loved for who they are - you are loved because you are my son or my daughter. Parents need to encourage their children - tamariki from an early age to have **attitudes of pride and confidence** in who they are, how they look and what they can do. Children need to have choices so they can learn to **take responsibility** for the choices they make, They need **freedom** and opportunities to be able to develop their own **individuality**. Affirming each childs uniqueness and avoiding comparisons with others helps to develop **positive feelings of self-worth**.



#### **Focus Statement**

The primary purpose or vocation of each person is to grow in love - aroha and communion with other people and with God - Te Atua who created them.

#### **Achievement Objective 1:**

#### Relationships

The students will explore and share ideas about relationships with other people, eg

#### **Suggested Contexts:**

#### with friends, classmates

- people from different cultures
- · younger and older children
- grandparents, whanau
- students with specific needs
- when discussing comfortable and uncomfortable feelings they experience when interacting with other people

#### Catholic Perspective:

- God created people to live together and love one another. Friendship is one of God's great gifts taonga for people to share
- People need other people to help them to grow and develop. People of different ages and cultures help others to learn different ways of thinking, living together, being friends and being accepted
- People need to remember that everyone needs to feel included and to have friends. There are times when people need help to make friends
- There are times when people enjoy being with others and times when they don't. People need to learn to be tolerant and patient with others because this is what followers of Jesus are like

#### **Suggested Resources:**

"Priscilla Tadpole" by Gwen Costello, 23rd Publications Mystic, Connecticut 1992

"My Sister Katie" by Christine Wright Scripture Union, London 1990

"Grandparents" by Jean Watson, Scripture Union, London

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#### **Relevant Scripture Reference:**

Psalm 62:7-9

#### Songs from Year 1 Music and Prayer Learning Strand Resource:

'A Blessing Song' page 50

Links between Health Strand C, AO 1 and other Essential Learning Areas:

Religious Education Year 1
God Learning Strand - God the Creator

Lesson 10 - People Need Love

Jesus Christ Learning Strand - Jesus My Friend

Lesson 8 - Jesus is Our Tuakana who Guides and Leads Us



#### Level 1 Strand C Relationships with Other People

#### Links between Health Strand C, AO 1 and other Essential Learning Areas Continued:

#### **Religious Education Year 1 Continued**

Church - Community of Disciples Learning Strand - Belonging

Lesson 1 - We Belong to Our Family-Whanau

Lesson 3 - We Belong to Our Whanau - Our Extended Family

Lesson 4 - We Belong, Participate and Celebrate at School

Lesson 5 - Whanau Care, Share and Help One Another on the Marae

Lesson 6 - We Belong, Participate and Celebrate in our Parish

Lesson 11 - Our Parish Carries on the Work of Jesus

#### Communion of Saints Learning Strand - Mary

Lesson 2 - Mary and Joseph as Jesus' Parents

Lesson 3 - Jesus was Taught by His Parents

Social Studies Level 1 Time, Continuity and Change - AO 2 Culture and Heritage - AO 1

Additional Resources:	(list other useful resources)	

#### Information for Families-Whanau

Children first learn about relationships from their experience of interacting within their family-whanau. They learn that for relationships to be healthy they need to be able to say how they feel or what they think. They need to spend time with people who listen to them. Children - Tamariki who are **secure and happy** are confident they will always be safe and accepted at home and someone will listen to what makes them worried or afraid and will help them to deal with this. They need to learn to have a **forgiving attitude** and to say sorry and start again. Children learn all this from seeing how the people in their family-whanau do it. As they learn how to do it themselves they can carry these skills into the relationships they develop outside their homes.



#### **Focus Statement**

The primary purpose or vocation of each person is to grow in love - aroha and communion with other people and with God - Te Atua who created them.

#### **Achievement Objective 2:**

Identity, Sensitivity and Respect Students will demonstrate sharing and cooperative skills in groups, eg

#### **Suggested Contexts:**

#### **Catholic Perspective:**

- · during physical activities
- on outings
- at home
- in the classroom
- · in the playground

Because people are God's creatures they share in God's Spiritual Power - Mana and Holiness - Tapu. This is why they must be treated with respect. Learning to share and cooperate with others are important skills which children can learn when they are young and build on as they grow. Sharing is a way of showing respect for the mana and tapu - dignity of others. Cooperating with others lets others know what they can do is valuable

#### **Suggested Resources:**

"Peter Brandy Balls" by Dick Frizzel, School Journal Pt 1 No 4 1978

"Helping" by Angus Hudson, Grosvener Books, Carlisle 1995

"Teaching Young Children To Care" by Dorothy Dixon, 23rd Publications, USA 1990

"Peters Angry Toys" by Carol Therese Plum, Our Sunday Visitor Publications, Indiana 46750 1989

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"I Can Do Anything" by Peggy Dunstan \*

\* These books are available from Sunshine Book agents

#### **Relevant Scripture References:**

Luke 9:11-17 Mark 10:46-52

#### Songs from Year 1 Music and Prayer Learning Strand Resource:

'God Holds the Whole World' page 6

'O We Thank You God' page 12

'Welcome Song - Haere Mai, E Hehu' page 29

'God Has Made Us a Family' page 46

#### Links between Health Strand C, AO 2 and other Essential Learning Areas:

Religious Education Year 1

God Learning Strand - God the Creator

Lesson 7 - People are God's Best Creation

Lesson 8 - I am Alive, I am Unique, I am Tapu

Church - Community of Disciples Learning Strand - Belonging

Lesson 9 - Jesus Loved, Cared For and Helped People

Social Studies Level 1
Culture and Heritage AO 2



Additional Resources:	(list other useful resources)

#### Information for Families-Whanau

At the heart of family-whanau life is an attitude of **sharing and cooperation**. Families-Whanau share their time, their energy, their interest, their food, their home, their money but most importantly their love - aroha and care - manaakitanga with each other. It is through the experience of living in a family-whanau that children learn to develop a **cooperative attitude** to life and in the process they learn so many Christian values, eg **acceptance** and tolerance of others, respect for people and their differences and patience while taking turns.



#### **Focus Statement**

The primary purpose or vocation of each person is to grow in love - aroha and communion with other people and with God - Te Atua who created them.

#### **Achievement Objective 3:**

#### **Interpersonal Skills**

Students will express their own ideas, needs and feelings effectively and listen to those of other people, eg

#### **Suggested Contexts:**

- by learning to speak confidently and respond positively
- use "I" statements
- · use movement to express ideas
- · describe situations where they feel safe and unsafe

#### **Catholic Perspective:**

 Every person has the right to express their ideas, needs and feelings freely. This increases their power - mana and helps them to grow as people. When people listen to one another they come to understand one another and their relationships can develop.

#### **Suggested Resources:**

"Children Believe Everything You Say"

"Just Because I Am"

"I am Glad I Am"

#### **Relevant Scripture References:**

Matthew 13 "The Beginner's Bible" pages 348-353 Luke 10 "The Beginner's Bible" pages 395-399

#### Songs from Year 1 Music and Prayer Learning Strand Resource:

'Hello My God' page 3

'God of Love' page 15

'Wherever I Am, God Is' page 55

#### Links between Health Strand C, AO 3 and other Essential Learning Areas:

### Religious Education Year 1 God Learning Strand - God the Creator

Lesson 6 - People Must Care for Creation

Lesson 8 - I am Alive, I am Unique, I am Tapu

Lesson 10 - People Need Love

**Social Studies Level 1** 

Culture and Heritage - AO 1, AO 2

Time, Continuity and Change - AO 2



**Additional Resources:** (list other useful resources)



#### Information for Families-Whanau

Simple interpersonal skills can be learned from an early age in families-whanau. Parents who encourage their children to **express their ideas**, **needs and feelings** are enabling them to develop skills which they will be able to use throughout life. When children - tamariki feel free to express their **own their needs**, **ideas and feelings** this helps them **to be responsible for them**. The other essential part of communication is listening. Families-whanau who encourage a **listening attitude** to one another can avoid conflict and can **become aware of the needs of others** and respond appropriately.

#### LEVEL 1 STRAND D HEALTHY COMMUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENTS

#### **Focus Statement**

As people who are in a covenant relationship with God- Te Atua, Christians are bound to follow the commands to love God and our neighbour as ourselves.

#### Achievement Objective 1& 3:

Societal Attitudes and Beliefs - Rights, Responsibilities and Laws
The students will take individual and collective action to contribute to safe environments that can be enjoyed by all

#### **Suggested Contexts:**

- · by addressing teasing and bullying
- meeting specific needs
- setting classroom rules
- · picking teams
- taking turns
- accommodating culturally different behaviours

#### **Catholic Perspective:**

- Words and actions which hurt others by violating tapu and dignity are wrong because they are not what God asks us to do. All people are called by God to live together in love - aroha and peace rangimarie
- Each person has the right to live and be accepted as they are with their differences they should not be excluded because they are different. They are all created by God
- Rules are made to help people live in peace rangimarie together and to enable all people to be treated fairly - with tika. Keeping rules is very important as it shows that people respect authority and the rights of others
- Different cultures do things differently and it is right to learn about these differences and respect them

#### **Suggested Resources:**

Cool Schools Programme - appropriate sections

#### **Relevant Scripture Reference:**

Matthew 2:13-22

#### Songs from Year 1 Music and Prayer Learning Strand Resource:

'Welcome to the Family' page 45

'I Will Never Forget You' page 53

#### Links between Health Strand D, AOs 1 & 3 and other Essential Learning Areas:

#### **Religious Education Year 1**

Church - Community of Disciples Learning Strand - Belonging

Lesson 1 - We Belong to Our Family-Whanau

Lesson 3 - We Belong to Our Whanau - Our Extended Family

Lesson 5 - Whanau Care, Share and Help One Another on the Marae

**Social Studies Level 1** 

Culture and Heritage - AO 1, AO 2

Resources and Economic Activities - AO 2



#### LEVEL 1 STRAND D HEALTHY COMMUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENTS

Additional Resources: (list other useful resources)



#### Information for Families-Whanau

Teaching children to have a positive open attitude to differences is an important Christian value. Valuing peoples uniqueness because each person is made in Gods image is a central Christian belief. Encouraging children to learn more about other ways of being, eg different abilities and different cultures, enables them to have numerous opportunities to develop understanding about how wonderfully different people are. Taking time to explain what attitudes lie behind rules is worthwhile so children can understand that rules exist so that each persons freedom and safety is respected. Children - Tamariki need to be encouraged to develop a positive attitude to rules and authority and a sense of justice - tika and fairness - pono for everyone.



#### Level 1 Strand D Healthy Communities and Environments

#### **Focus Statement**

Jesus healed people of physical and spiritual ills. Christians are grateful to, and show respect for, those who carry on this ministry of service today.

#### **Achievement Objective 2:**

**Community Resources** 

The students will identify people who can help with health care, eg

#### **Suggested Contexts:**

#### **Catholic Perspective:**

•	family,	school
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- community or religious leaders
- · medical personnel
- kaumatua
- · coaches

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- Our families-whanau are gifts from God to love and care - manaaki for us. They need us and we need them. Children need to be grateful for people who care about them
- Our parish priest and people in our parish care for us and want us to enjoy life. They care for our total well-being - body and soul
- God has given special gifts taonga of healing to people, eg nurses and doctors who help people to get well
- Some people in our communities have been given the role of guidance, care and leadership - kaiarahi of people. We respect these people and value their help and advice

#### **Suggested Resources:**

#### **Relevant Scripture References:**

Mark 5:21-24, 35-42

"Listen" Bible, page 152, Jeremiah 30:10, 12, 13, 17

#### Songs from Year 1 Music and Prayer Learning Strand Resource:

'Thanks be to God!' page 63

Links between Health Strand D, AO 2 and other Essential Learning Areas

Religious Education Year 1 God Learning Strand - God the Creator

Lesson 10 - People Need Love



#### LEVEL 1 STRAND D HEALTHY COMMUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENTS

Links between Health Strand D, AO 2 and other Essential Learning Areas Continued:

**Religious Education Year 1 Continued** Church - Community of Disciples Learning Strand - Belonging

Lesson 7 - What the Priest Does in our Parish

Lesson 11 - Our Parish Carries on the Work of Jesus

Social Studies Level 1 Culture and Heritage - AO 2, AO 2 Resources and Economic Activities - AO 1 and AO 2 Time, Continuity and Change - AO 1, AO 2

Science Level 1 Making Sense of the Material World - AO 2

Additional Resources: (list other useful resources)



#### Information for Families-Whanau

Children can be taught ways of **showing gratitude** for the care - manaakitanga of family-whanau and friends. It is good to remind them to say thank you and acknowledge what others do for them. Accordingly children like to be acknowledged and thanked when they take time to care for others. Children need to become aware of all the sources that are available in the community when people need help. They need to identify people they would go to when they need help for different aspects of their lives, eg who could help with a school problem, who could help with a health problem, or who could help with a situation involving hurt feelings or family-whanau conflict. It is good for parents to encourage children - tamariki to name what they need help with and help them to have a positive attitude to seeking help from appropriate people in the community.



#### LEVEL 1 STRAND D HEALTHY COMMUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENTS

#### **Focus Statement**

All people are precious in the sight of God - Te Atua. We should therefore treat others and ourselves as precious, taking sensible precautions to avoid dangers and to keep ourselves and others safe.

#### **Achievement Objective 4:**

#### People and the Environment

The students will identify and discuss obvious hazards in their home, school and local environment and adopt simple safety practices, eg

#### **Suggested Contexts:**

- · heaters and water
- · passive smoking
- · household chemicals, drains
- rivers
- times to wear protective clothing

#### **Catholic Perspective:**

 When people take care of themselves well they are saying thanks to God - Te Atua for the gift of their lives and their bodies. Learning to avoid things which might cause harm to people is the right thing to do. Knowing what is dangerous, protecting yourself and being careful is good because people are too important to be treated carelessly

When people damage the environment they can also cause danger and unhealthy situations for humans too

#### **Suggested Resources:**

"Trees Are Special" by Steve Patrick \*

\* This book is available from Sunshine Book agents

#### **Relevant Scripture References:**

Creation Story Genesis 1:1-31, 2:1-3

Noah's Story Genesis 7:1-24, 8:1-22. "Listen" Bible, page 20-21, "The Beginner's Bible" pages 28-35

#### Songs from Year 1 Music and Prayer Learning Strand Resource:

'One Life - One Spirit' page 34 'Windy Days' page 37 'Terra Terra Sancta' page 59 'Holy Ground' page 61

'Thank You, God, for Being So Good' page 62

'Thanks be to God!' page 63

#### Links between Health Strand D, AO 4 and other Essential Learning Areas:

Religious Education Year 1
God Learning Strand - God the Creator

Lesson 6 - People Must Care for Creation



#### LEVEL 1 STRAND D HEALTHY COMMUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENTS

Links between Health Strand D, AO 4 and other Essential Learning Areas Continued:

Social Studies Level 1
Place and Environment - AO 1, AO 2
Resources and Economic Activities - AO 1, AO 2
Time, Continuity and Change - AO 1

Science Level 1
Making Sense of Planet Earth and Beyond - AO 1
Making Sense of the Material World - AO 2, AO 3

Additional Resources:	(list other useful resources)

#### Information for Families-Whanau

Parents can bring to children's attention the awareness and presence of dangerous hazards in their environment. They need to talk to them about how to protect themselves and emphasise the importance of avoiding dangerous situations. Children need to see themselves as people who are precious. They need to realise their well-being hauora and safety is always a priority for those who care about them. Parents can teach their children - tamariki how to seek help if they are in danger and to remind them that God is always with them and in times of danger it is good to pray for God's help and protection.



Human life is a gift from the creator, who couples the gift with a call a call to us to be co-creators, freely fashioning our lives into something beautiful for God

All we know of being is becoming. Being alive, being grateful, means becoming alive, becoming grateful. Being human means becoming what we are.

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