Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

As we embark on our fourth and final term for the year, it is a week of new beginnings as we welcome the arrival of our parish priest Fr Joseph Vattaparambil to St Rita’s community over the holiday break. We invite our families to a special Parish School Mass for Sunday 18 October at 9am to celebrate our wonderful community at St Rita’s with Fr Joseph and our parish family.

We also welcome new staff members with Mr Des Roffey commencing as our school Groundsperson and Mrs Maggie Nisbet teaching 4T while Mrs Ferguson takes leave this term.

We look forward to another productive and lively term with preparations ramping up for our Springfest on Saturday 31 October. Much to do in these coming weeks – please see details of how you can be involved in ensuring the day to be a great success within our newsletter and / or linking in with St Rita’s Community Fete on facebook.

Security CCTV
While vandalism is not a frequent problem at St Rita’s, during the break a series of CCTV devices have been installed to help prevent and deter any unwanted trespassers and potential vandals. A requirement for setting up this security measure is to place warning notices in prominent positions throughout our grounds.

May God’s peace and blessings be with you and your family in the coming week.

Anne

SPORTS NEWS

St Rita’s Touch Football
Fields and Game times are listed below for each Touch Football team competing in the Friday Night Touch Competition at Cleveland Showgrounds.

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Training: Monday afternoons for U/12’s, U/10’s training will be during lunch times Wed/Thurs.
**St Rita’s QPAS Rep Touch**

Teams have been named for the upcoming Queensland Primary All Schools, Touch Comp, held in Cleveland over the weekend 7/8th November. Congratulations to all those who were successful in selection. Training for these teams TBA.

**Skipping Nationals**

Congratulations to Jemma B (Y6) who recently competed in her first National event Australian National Skipping Championship. Jemma competed in the 11yr Girls Division across the following events: Freestyle, 30 second speed and 3 minute speed. Her combined results placed her in overall 3rd Place in Australia for her age group! Jemma’s team also shared success in many other events: Equal 2nd 4x4 person 30 second Relay, 1st 4x4 person Single Rope Freestyle, 1st Double Dutch Speed Relay, 1st Double Dutch Freestyle, 1st Pairs Single Rope Freestyle and 1st Overall Team 11-12yr. Well Done Jemma on such amazing results!

**Interschool Sport – Semester 2**

This Semester there are two Interschool Sport Carnival Days. Permission notes have gone home and will need to be returned to their classroom teacher by this Friday.

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**Representative Singlets**

We are still chasing numerous Representative Sport Singlets from either Cross Country or Athletics that were loaned to Students competing. Could these please be returned ASAP to Mr Kenyon.

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**LEARNING SUPPORT**

**Extension Opportunities**

**Future Problem Solving**

This term our Future Problem Solving group will meet each **Friday** in the Learning Support space from 10:40 to 11:20 to solve the next future scene, ‘Enhancing Human Potential.’ We currently have 16 students participating in the group and hope that these students continue to commit to the team. The year fives did a fantastic job in presenting our ‘propaganda’ action plan to Ms McKenny last term. I believe she was impressed with their fine efforts and we eagerly await our score and recommendations from the judges.

**Excellence Workshops**

This week selected students from year 4 and 5 will be participating in the annual excellence days held at Victoria Point State School. These days offer challenging and rewarding experiences for the students involved. This year our students will participate in:

- Robotics- **Wednesday 7th October**
- Media day- **Thursday 8th October**
- Performing Arts- **Friday 9th October**.

I will be walking the students up to Victoria Point State School each morning at 8:30 and will collect them at 2:45.

Good luck team St Rita’s! I look forward to sharing your experiences in the newsletter in the upcoming edition.

Have a great week,
Wendy Anderson

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**SCHOOL BANKING**

Welcome back we hope you had a wonderful holiday. Our movie ticket incentive is running again this term, all you need to do is bank 7 weeks this term and you will receive a movie ticket to Cineplex at Victoria point. Congratulations Taylor C (3L) you are the lucky banker of the week and will receive $2 in your account!!

Happy savings from BOQ Victoria Point 3207 6133.
**H.O.P.E.**

HOPE - Helping Other Parents Exchange
Networking group for Parents and Carers of children
with ASD and other behavioural conditions.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 22 October at
9am at Wrays - Ross Court, Bloomfield Street,
Cleveland. Hope to see you there. Each child is a
unique gift to be treasured.

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**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

**Wednesday 7th October**
Felicity Shipton

**Thursday 8th October**
Linda Thorogood
Geraldine Harper

**Friday 9th October**
Michelle Kotynski
Linda Thorogood
Louise Lowcock

**2ND Break**
Louise and Michelle

I hope everyone had a very relaxing break.

Now that the weather is hotting up please don’t let
your child leave home without a water bottle.

Just a reminder to pre-order your Sushi by 1:30pm on
the Thursday prior. If using a brown paper bag
please send it in on Thursday clearly marked with
"SUSHI DAY"

As there is limited stock with our suppliers this week
there is no Chicken Nuggets until Friday. If there is
anything else we cannot accommodate this week we
will check with the students involved to find a
solution. Everything will be back to normal next
week. I apologise for any inconvenience.

For all enquiries please do not hesitate to contact
me. Renee 0411 523 969

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**UNIFORM SHOP**

**HOURS**
Thursday 8.00 to 10.00am
CLOSED FRIDAY OCTOBER 9

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**SERENDIPITY ART CLASSES**

Serendipity ART Classes will commence next week at
3pm in the school library.
**Parenting & Enjoying Teenagers**

A relaxed, informative & enjoyable 6-week group program for Parents and Carers of children/teens+

The Program Covers:

- Being assertive with Teenagers
- Setting limits and boundaries
- Parent’s loan: Sex, drugs, alcohol & driving
- Handling over responsibility
- Dealing with anger, yours and your teenagers!
- Communication
- Building your relationship....and more!!

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**Term 4 2015 - Dates for Group Programs**

**Term 4**

**Tuesday Morning Group**
9:30am to 1:30pm
13th October to 17th November
Venue: BABI Office, 34 Bay Terrace, Wynnum

**Tuesday Evening Group**
6:00pm to 8:30pm
13th October to 17th November
Venue: Redlands Centre for Women, 27 Waterloo Street, Cleveland

* Please note this group has changed from a Wednesday to a Tuesday

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**What past participants had to say about the group:**

"Definitely helped us as parents to cope with challenging teenagers"

"Helpful to understand my teen and put things into perspective"

"Gave me strategies to temper my response and encourage discussion in a supportive relationship"

"Learn to see our teen for who they are, not just who we want them to be"

Cost is $60 or $70 for a couple (negotiable in some circumstances).
Refreshments will be provided.

**BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL. TO ENROL OR FIND OUT MORE PHONE 3393 4176**

Once booked, payments can be made to BABI Youth & Family Service BSIB# 084 129 A/c# 86662 9467
(please include in reference your surname followed by PET (eg. SurnamePET)
Head lice Treatment Plan

Step 1: For infestation – Purchase BANLICE mousse from the chemist
Step 2: Treat child’s hair with BANLICE immediately. This will kill any ALIVE lice. This will NOT kill all of the eggs.
Step 3: Once you have removed BANLICE from the hair, comb with a very fine comb to manually remove all the dead lice. With your fingernails, remove as many eggs from the hair as is possible.
Step 4: If possible ... blowdry child’s hair then straighten with a straightening iron as this will cook and kill any eggs that have been missed. Spray with ANTILICE prevention spray.
Step 5: Everyday use the ANTILICE prevention spray available from St Rita’s Uniform shop or by order form at the office $10.50. This spray will kill alive lice before an infestation can occur, and if there are no lice present, will stop lice from jumping onto your child’s hair. It is a natural pyrethrum spray.
Step 6: Repeat the combing, manual removal of eggs and straightening for the next 7 days. The cycle from the egg being laid to hatching is approximately 7 days. Combing is easier if you use a conditioner on the hair (any conditioner, quality does not matter).
Step 7: Retreat with the BANLICE at day 7 to stop the cycle of reinfestation and continue to use the ANTILICE spray as a preventative. Always have your child’s hair TIGHTLY pulled up, braiding is a great option. Also, spraying the inside of the hats that your child wears with the ANTILICE spray is a great idea.

Other measures to take…. vacuum the child’s bedroom, wash the sheets of any bed the child has slept in, check and treat all other people (adults included) that live in the house, notify the school.

Sometimes this process can take many weeks, do not give up. Head lice can happen to anyone, being clean or dirty makes no difference. In fact, head lice are attracted to certain hair types more than others. But persistence is the answer.

GOOD LUCK!

PREVENTION SPRAY

Gentle cleansing and PROTECTION for the hair and scalp. Used regularly, this product will help to prevent and control head lice and their eggs.

RRP: $16.95    St Rita’s Price: $10.50

Style hair then spray. This product is recommended to use daily, although I give my kids the weekend off. Spray inside of hats weekly.

Order Form

Childs Name: ___________________________ Class: ___________________________

How many bottles @ $10.50 each: __________

Money Enclosed: __________

Credit Card Details: _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ Expiry: ___ / ___ CCV: ______

Name on Credit Card: ____________________________________________________________

Please enclose correct money in envelope with order form. Place in the box at the office. Will be delivered directly to your child’s class.