Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

A sincere thankyou to the many parents who were able to attend our various Mothers’ Day Liturgies and celebrations last Friday including our whole school celebration and class and year level celebrations. We include in this week’s newsletter the reflections written by one of our parents and several students - all very worthy of publication. It is events such as these that demonstrate the strength of our community being Together in Family.

NAPLAN
A wonderful display of calm and concentration was evident this morning as our Year 3, 5, and 7 students begin their national assessment program today and continue through to Thursday. This snapshot of achievement in literacy and numeracy provides our school with some useful data on learning improvements for all students. We are now able to analyse the progress the same students make across year levels and our results show that we are above average in our students’ capabilities to improve their learning – no matter where they sit in the normative bell curve for learning.

New Parish Priest Process
Last Thursday evening the school leadership team joined a number of our parents and parishioners to work through a process that provides comprehensive information to our Archbishop Mark Coleridge in the discernment process to appoint a new Parish Priest to St Rita’s. The process was led by two of our Archdiocesan priests and we believe that they left the meeting with some very positive and insightful views about St Rita’s. It was clearly evident that we have a strong and greatly valued school – parish relationship evident in the weekend Children’s liturgies, sacramental program, our community fete, Mini Vinnies working with St Vincent de Paul – to name but a few. We were informed that a decision is likely in the coming weeks, so we ask that our community is mindful and prayerful as the appointment process gains momentum and we prepare ourselves to welcome a new pastoral leader for St Rita’s in August. In the meantime we continue to pray and celebrate with Fr Leo as he prepares for his well-earned retirement.

School Parent Network Meeting – All welcome
We look forward to our Term 2 meeting with the School Parent Network tomorrow evening. If you have not been to one of our meetings, please consider coming along. It is a great way to connect with our school – other parents, and to plan school community events that continue to be successful because of the wonderful spirit within and between our school families.

Parent Presentation by Michael Grose
A great initiative from our School Parent Network is to bring well known parenting expert, Michael Grose, from Parenting Ideas to St Rita’s in June for an evening and morning session on contemporary topics facing parents in the 21st Century. Please mark your diary for these two opportunities. You are welcome to attend one or both sessions as they complement each other. A flyer goes home today and we hope to fill our Unitas Centre. In previous years, St Rita’s parents have been good supporters of such initiatives at our Redland Catholic schools. This year St Rita’s is to host and promote such an event with fantastic sponsorship from our School Parent Network and we are extending the invitation to our other local Catholic schools. Please return the RSVP to our school office so that we can anticipate numbers.

May God’s peace and blessings be with you and your family.

Anne
IMPORTANT DATES

This Week
NAPLAN testing

Wednesday 14 May
Junior Years Assembly, SPN Meeting 7pm

Next Week
Interschool Sports, Invitational Cross Country, St Rita’s Day, Prep Open Day, Walk to School Safely Day

St Rita’s Feast Day Mass
Saint Rita of Cascia (1381 - 1457) was an Italian Augustinian nun, widow and a Catholic Saint. Rita was married at a very early age. Her marriage lasted for 18 years, during which she was remembered for her Christian values as a model wife and mother, who made efforts to convert her husband from his abusive behavior. Upon the death of her husband she subsequently joined an Augustinian community of religious sisters. At her canonization ceremony, she was bestowed the title of *Patroness of Impossible Causes*. Her feast day is celebrated every May 22\textsuperscript{nd} as this was the date of her passing. As a school community, we will celebrate St Rita’s Day starting with a Mass in the Unitas centre at 9:00 am. We will then have a combined ‘picnic style’ morning tea at eating time followed by class buddy activities in the middle session. You are more than welcome to join with us in prayer and celebration at the 9:00 am Mass – we hope you can be with us.

Sacramental Program
Congratulations to all our children participating the Parish Sacramental Program of Confirmation and Eucharist. The Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist, the last two Sacraments of Initiation, welcome these children fully into the Catholic Church. This is an important step in the faith journey of these children and their families – please keep them in your thoughts and prayers:
Mackenzie, Chelsea, Elliot, Claire, Jacob, Jake, Lexi, Isabella, Mikayla, William, Carlos, Mali, Georgia, Aimee, Mia, Tyler, Michaela, Montanna, Daniel, Billie, Brianna, Connor, Lucy, Jade, Kyle, Callum, Matthews, Holly, Neve, and Stirling.

Reflection
*The purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honourable, to be compassionate. To have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well.*

*Ralph Emerson*

Have a good week
Kevin

Today we commenced NAPLAN testing. We as a community see NAPLAN as another opportunity for children to try their hardest and be the best they can be on that day. If the students have completed everything to the best of their ability then as a school community we are very proud of them. This is also another opportunity for our whole school to support others, we wish all of the children in year 3, 5 and 7 the very best for this week.

**What is NAPLAN?**
The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual national assessment for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. All students in these year levels are expected to participate in tests in reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy. All government and non-government education authorities have contributed to the development of NAPLAN materials.

**Why do students do NAPLAN tests?**
NAPLAN is the measure through which governments, education authorities, schools, teachers and parents can determine whether or not young Australians are meeting important educational outcomes in literacy and numeracy. The tests provide parents and schools with an understanding of how individual students are performing at the time of the tests. They also provide schools, states and territories with information about how education programs are working and which areas need to be prioritised for improvement. NAPLAN tests are one aspect of the school’s assessment and reporting process, and do not replace the extensive, ongoing assessments made by teachers about each student’s performance.

**What will be tested and how?**
NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy. The content of each test is informed by the national Statements of Learning for English and mathematics, which underpin state and territory learning frameworks. Questions are multiple-choice or require a short written response. The writing task requires students to write a text in response to a prompt.
To give you an idea of what the tests look like, sample questions and a sample writing task are available on the NAP website: www.nap.edu.au

All the best
Shane

SCHOOL PARENT NETWORK

The next SPN meeting will be held this Wednesday 14th May. We are always open to new ideas about making our children's school experience better. If you have something to share then we invite you to come along to the Staff room in the Administration building at 7pm. A few agenda items to be discussed this week are: Walk Safely to School Day, Parent Contact List, Electronic Newsletter and Michael Grose Parenting Presentations. We look forward to seeing you there! Agenda items can also be emailed to StRitasSPN@gmail.com

SCHOOL FEES

Term 2 fees are due this Friday, please note families who have a direct debit set-up and have a child in Year 7, the extra charges for Polo Shirt and Camp are not included in your direct debit and need to be paid by the due date of 16th May.

If you are not able to pay your account by the due date, simply contact us and we will be able to reach some agreement about your fees.

Important Notice
As from Term 3 School Fee Statements will no longer be printed and mailed. These statements will be emailed to each family. Please ensure you have notified the school office of your current and correct email address. If you have not notified the office of your email please do so by June 13th. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter. An email can be sent to stritasict@bne.catholic.edu.au to have your details updated.

Krys Kuropka
Finance Administrator

EMAILING NEWSLETTER

As a further initiative of the Environment Club and the schools endeavours to save waste and recycle more, starting in term 3 the Newsletter will only be emailed. There will be a small number of copies printed and left in the school office if you prefer. The Newsletter is also available on the school website on Tuesday afternoon.

Please ensure your email addresses are up to date with the school office.

SPORTS NEWS

Quote of the week
Persistence can change failure into extraordinary achievement.
Marv Levy

Cross Country Training
Training will continue until Wednesday 21 May for those students involved in the St Anthony’s Invitational Cross Country Carnival. Training will be on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 7.50 – 8.25am. Students are asked to meet Mr Kenyon under the covered area outside the tuckshop prior to 7.50am.

Athletics – Age Champion Event Nominations
Athletics Age Champion event nominations are NOW open! (Close end of May).

To be eligible for these events, students must be turning 10 or older this year. To nominate for either 800m, Shot-Put, Long-Jump or High-Jump – simply go on the Student Portal, under the sports menu you will find event nominations. Students who are experiencing difficulties with nominating may see Mr Kenyon on Wednesday’s first break.

St Rita’s Representative Netball
Again this year, St Rita’s will compete in the Qld All Schools – Mission Cup Netball Competition held in mid Term 4. Due to the overwhelming numbers of students interested in the past – we will again hold a selection trial. For students to be eligible – they must be in Year 4 -7 and at least 10 years old. It is also suggested they are involved with a local club, play and train regularly throughout the week and have great knowledge of rules and forms of play. Trials will
be at St Rita’s MPC on 3 June from 3.15pm. Most students interested have already received notes. Spare notes are located in the office.

**St Rita’s Touch Football**
Touch football training for U/12s will be on Monday afternoons from 3.15pm – 4pm. u/10s will be during school on Wednesday/Thursday/Friday.

**Perceptual Motor Program**
Perceptual Motor Program has now ended and will be re-visited in Term 4. Students will now be preparing for activities for ‘St Rita’s Sports Day’. A ‘BIG’ thankyou to all those parents who volunteered their time to assist in the running of activities.

**Dyslexia Support**
St Rita’s Dyslexia Support Group Meeting on the 26 May at the Victoria Point Tavern at 6:30 pm.

**Assembly Awards**

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**Mothers Day Reflections**

**My Mum by Katie Year Six**
My mum is special, a limited edition gold trophy in my eyes and a hard worker to earn money for me, my dad and herself.

We migrated from Ireland almost 4 years ago in June so that was a hard time for me to say goodbye to my friends, family and a place I loved and knew but mum explained it will be a better way of life because things weren’t going so well in Ireland. I had trouble fitting in because I was different so mum said just try your best and everything will be alright and always mum was right.

Mum and I have the same birthday; yep I was born on the same day and month as my mum so we share a birthday. When mum had me on her birthday I was the present of the year and still am. It’s very rare that you’re born on the same day and month as your mum, but I love sharing the day with my mum because it’s a special day for both of us to celebrate the day we were born.

My mum would get #1 mum of the year award if there was one, but in my view there is one and she’s got it. My mum is very compassionate so she will put others before herself which is a quality everyone should love to have in a person. My mum is here today and I would love to say to you mum I love you and always will.

**Mother’s Day Liturgy by Tyger Year Six**
My mum, she’s amazing, all mothers are. Mums usually like shopping, I know my mum does, and every time she comes home from the shops, she’s carrying dozens of bags, but I know that in one of those bags, there’s something for me. My mum is loving and caring. She makes an amazing cook and a great role model. When I have a problem, she’s always got a solution. Without my mum, I’d be walking out of the house wearing stripes on spots,
she has much better taste than I do! Without my mum, my house wouldn’t look so perfect. She irons my clothes, she cooks my meals, she keeps us on a healthy lifestyle and she got me into reading. My mum influences my younger sister and I to be a great person, to help others in need and to be independent. Like I said before, my mum is amazing!

Super Mum by Carla Year Five
I love my mum like we need the sun, she’s the most beautiful woman in the world but without her I would be nothing. Like all mums she’s very protective and lists every single rule like when we go on the internet or watch TV. She’s trying to be a good role model and she’s a great one. Whenever she takes me shopping or I ask her to take me shopping she’s always so nice and she will take me to lots and lots of shops and we might only buy one shirt but she’s still smiling even though I never find anything.

My mum does absolutely everything for me I try to stop her but she will only let me help and she goes even faster when I’m helping her. Although I feel bad letting her do most of the work I still love her and will never stop.

My mum’s worst fear is that my sister and I will never hug her again but I will always hug her because she’s my mum. She’s my hero and I know that underneath she’s my super mum. So to my mum and to all the mums in the world happy mother’s day you deserve it.

Happy Mother’s day!
Today we have gathered to honour and pay tribute to our Mothers. We give thanks to God for our Mothers and pray that He will bless them and protect them. For me, being a mother is a gift from God. It gives my life renewed purpose. It is thought that when we have children that we are the teachers and they are the students, but often the lessons they teach us in return, are even more valuable. After having my own children I better understand the saying..."When a child is born a mother is too."

• It is through our children that we are gifted with the opportunities to see the world anew.
• To set right what has gone before and aspire to being the best we can be – not for ourselves but for the good of our children.
• They teach us to cast off our jaded views and to become childlike again, embracing life and enjoying each new moment as they discover and learn.
• They teach us to appreciate the little things in life and to not take anything for granted.
• (For each moment that passes by is too special, and they just grow up so quickly!)

There is also responsibility and expectation of you as a Mother:

• When we teach our children to be honourable, honest, just and fair... we lead by example.
• When we teach them to be brave, resilient and strong....we lead by example.
• When we teach them about faith, obedience and courage.....we lead by example.
• When we teach them about patience, acceptance, humility and love.....we lead by example.

Being a mother is about loving unconditionally, it is a love so pure it knows no bounds and places peace in our hearts. It is a love that grows from the moment a woman becomes a mother and extends into eternity. It is our children’s bright smiles, tight hugs and sloppy kisses that make being a mother the blessing that it is. So we say “Thank you” to our Mother’s who have been the wind beneath our wings and who have enabled us to teach our children how to soar......We love you xx

Prayer for Mothers
God our Creator, we pray:
for new mothers, coming to terms with new responsibility ;
for expectant mothers, wondering and waiting;
for those who are tired, stressed or depressed;
for those who struggle to balance the tasks of work and family;
for those who are unable to feed their children due to poverty;
for those whose children have disabilities;
for those who raise children on their own;
for those who have lost a child;
for those who care for the children of others;
for those whose children have left home;
and for those whose desire to be a mother has not been fulfilled.

Bless all mothers, that their love may be deep and tender, and that they may lead their children to know and do what is good, living not for themselves alone, but for God and for others.

Amen
Learning Support

What is Giftedness?
Motivation is a key term in the world of gifted and talented education, as while leading theorist have differing opinions around how giftedness is defined, and all that it entails, it seems they all agree that without intrinsic motivation no student can move from giftedness to talent.

Supporting the integral link between motivation and success, the following extract from Dr Del Siegle’s article, titled, ‘Parenting strategies to motivate underachieving gifted students’ offers useful tips to assist parents in helping their gifted child gain and maintain motivation to succeed both at school and in their home setting. He states;

‘Generally, a student views tasks as meaningful if they gratify a personal interest, are tied to the child’s identity, have an immediate use, or will clearly be useful in the future. Parents can help their children find school meaningful in the following ways:

- By modeling their own curiosity about the world around them. However, parents must demonstrate how curiosity is transformed into action. For example, a question about the number of moons orbiting Saturn might lead to looking up the answer on the Internet or in an encyclopedia.
- By nurturing their children’s curiosity and love of learning through opportunities outside school that help them explore their interests.
- By letting their children know that they value school and showing them how their school experiences are important now and will prove useful in the future.
- By monitoring their children’s homework, which again sends the message that parents value what their children do in school.
- By sharing their children’s interests with the school and working with the school and their children to tie these interests to school projects.’

In relation to the connection between motivation and success, last year a case study was undertaken at St. Rita’s to determine if differentiation; adjusting content or strategy to accommodate student needs, leads to motivation and if so, how can it be best tailored to enhance motivation levels in the classroom? This study focussed on three highly capable year 4 students who were asked to complete a small project that aligned with their interests and strengths. On completion of their project all students were surveyed to determine how their differentiated task motivated their success. The results are as follows;

- Students who are intrinsically motivated respond well to differentiated tasks and are driven by the challenge to succeed. They are not afraid to fail or task risks if it means that they can acquire knowledge that they are passionate about. Time restraints and the strategies used to differentiate do not appear to present as a problem, as long as freedom of choice is offered.
- Students who are extrinsically motivated are not as willing to take on risks and it is essential that the tasks that they are undertaking do not push them out of their comfort zone. Freedom of choice does not seem as important to this type of student and extension work or higher order questioning would appear more beneficial than independent tasks. They need to be offered a task that not only challenges them, but is also tailored to ensure high marks and approval if it is going to be successful.
- The three participating students showed great dedication and competence when completing their individual tasks, so it was with great honour when one received a letter back from the Prime Minister in response to their project! Well done Michaela!

School Banking

Congratulations Bankers of the Week
This week’s Banker of the week is Ella D in 1K. Congratulations Ella we have deposited $2 into your account for you.

Don’t forget we have a great Marquee that we’re happy to lend out to Community Groups. Please call us on 3207 6133 or pop into Victoria Point Branch to book the Marquee for your next event.

We’re open 9am Mon – Sat, Closing times Mon – Thur 4.30pm, Fri 5pm & Sat 12noon. Pop in and see the friendly team, we’re always happy to have a chat and help with any of your banking needs.

BOQ Victoria Point, Shop 23 Victoria Point Shopping Centre
We’ve learnt the word for mother, so let’s try the names for other family members. Father is ‘otousan,’ (pronounced ‘o-tor-san’), big brother is ‘oniisan,’ big sister is ‘oneesan’ (pronounced ‘o-nair-san’), little brother is ‘otouto’ (pronounced ‘o-tor-to’) and little sister is ‘imouto’ (pronounced ‘ee-mor-to’).

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**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

**Wednesday 14th May**
Terri Comerford
Esperanza Hope

**Thursday 15th May**
Wendy Bevis
Felicity Dunn

**Friday 16th May**
Michelle Kotynski
Tracey Knight
Michelle Johnston
HELP NEEDED??

**2ND Break**
Michelle Kotynski

- The Hotdog Special and Fried Rice Special will only be available 1st Break on Wednesday and Thursday.
- Aroona Drinks have been replaced with Quench Drinks, same drinks less sugar. The Lemon Lime flavour has been replaced with Lemonade.
- Back by popular demand for Terms 2 & 3 are Crazy Lemon $2.00.
- If anyone is interested in using Flexischools please contact me and we can organise a time to go through the set up and use. Flexischools eliminates the need to send excess money.
- We are still looking for more Volunteers, all it takes is one parent/caregiver per year level to do 3 hours a month and we will have a full team.

Renee 0411 523 969

**UNIFORM SHOP**

**HOURS**

Thursday 8.00 to 10.00am
Friday 8.00 to 10.00am

Orders can be placed online through [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au) and these orders will be delivered to the student’s classroom.

**FROM THE PARISH**

**Family Connection**

Members of the same family often bear close resemblances to one another. Sometimes physical resemblances are shared within a family, but often the similarities are behavioural characteristics and mannerisms. We hear this observation affirmed through a number of common phrases: “He’s a chip off the old block” or “She’s her mother’s daughter.”

This weekend’s Gospel points to a mystery of faith that might be examined in light of these familial relationships. In Jesus we see and know the Father. Likewise, the Father is known through the life and work of the Son, Jesus. As you read the Gospel, (John 14:1-12), keep in mind that members of the same family share many characteristics, even though each person in the family is an individual.

What does Jesus tell His disciples about His relationship with the Father? The relationship between the Father and Jesus is so close that Jesus says that those who have seen and known Jesus have also seen and known the Father. Jesus promises His disciples that because of their faith in Him and in the Father, they too will be able to do the work of the Father as Jesus did. Pray together that others will recognize in your family the work of the Father.

**Confirmation lessons at the church during mass**

6pm Sat 17th/9am Sun 18th May
6pm Sat 24th/9am Sun 25th May
6pm Sat 31st/9am Sun 1st June
6pm Sat 7th/9am Sun 8th June

**St Rita’s Parish Family Dance/Disco**

Please come and join us for a fun night out of dancing and socializing (bringing the community together)

**Date:** Saturday 24th May at 6pm or join us after mass, at the Unitas Centre. **Cost:** Gold coin donation per person. **BYO** drinks and food. Children must be accompanied by an adult. This is not a supervised event, but a family affair, so come and enjoy.

Any questions, call Martina on 38208141

**Saturday 21st July 2014**

**St Rita’s WINTERFEST**
We need your help!!
Due to parishioners moving on, vacancies have appeared in our monthly rosters at the church. We really could do with more Communion Ministers, Ministers to the Word (Readers), Data Projector operators and Altar servers (boys and girls) to fill the spaces that have appeared. If you feel that you can share your time and talent with the Church community, please contact the Parish Office on 3207 9177 for any information that could help us. Many thanks to you all.

WOOL CLUB

We hope all the mums enjoyed their little gifts from our talented Wool Clubbers!

Due to Naplan this week, we won’t be meeting this Wednesday but will continue next week with a new weaving project.

It has been great to see students from last year and some new faces this year along with a new mum!

Carly

PARISH CRAFT CLUB

We are seeking help from anyone that can use a sewing machine. Unfortunately most of our of members are not able to do this task any more. We have material, cottons etc that can be used. Please contact the Parish Office on 32079177 if you would like to help out.

STUDENT TRAVEL REBATES
Semester 1, 2014

Bus Fare Assistance
- Does your child attend a school outside the Brisbane City Council boundary?
- Does your family spend more than $25/week on fares to and from school (* $20/week if you hold a concession card)?
- Does your child travel on a publicly available bus not owned or associated with the school?

Students with Disabilities
- Does your child have a verified disability that requires transport assistance to and from school?
- Has your school’s learning support teacher assessed your child’s travel capability rating as ‘semi-independent’ or more dependent?

Visit our website to see if you qualify for financial assistance to help with the cost of transport and apply at www.schooltransport.com.au by 31 May 2014.

Late applications cannot be accepted.
After School Kayaking

Meet you on the water after school for some serious paddling fun. Our after-school kayak sessions will run for one hour, one day a week for 4 weeks. You will learn how to kayak, see various waterways of the Redlands and get up close and personal with the wildlife. Thursday afternoons, either 3.30pm or 4.30pm. Children aged 8yrs and older. Cost $20.00 per child per week or $70.00 for 4 week block. (includes full use of kayak gear and safety equipment) For more information please contact Katrina Beutel at Redlands Kayak Tours 1300 529 258.
ST RITA’S WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY
FRIDAY, 23 MAY 2014

The Walk to Safely to School Day flyers have been put up around the school and in the classrooms so hopefully you have saved the date. Parents and carers will need to accompany their child/children on the walk to school from one of the nominated walking points as this is not a supervised school event. The School Oval is the option for children whose parents/carers are unable to participate in the walk.

WALKING START POINTS FOR 2014

1. THOMPSON’S BEACH – meet at 7.15am for a 7.25am departure
2. SHARKS SPORTING CLUB – meet at 7.15am for a 7.25am departure
3. SCHOOL OVAL – meet at 7.30am.

If you would like to get involved, please complete the form below and return to school or contact Debbie Stone, Mobile: 0402 102 987 or donought83@hotmail.com.

Please return the support forms by Friday 16/5/14.

Looking forward to seeing plenty of students and parents participate in our 4th Walk Safely To School Day.

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2014 WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY – CONTRIBUTION OF SUPPORT

NAME: ___________________________________ CONTACT NO: ________________

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____________________________________________________________

☐ Requesting donations from local suppliers – if you have a contact at a fruit shop or local supermarket, please talk to Debbie about the food we would like donated.

☐ Cutting it up fruit and cheese the day or night before (Thu 22/5/14) – 2-4 people

☐ Setting up at school on the deck for breakfast at around 7am. (3 people)

☐ Volunteers to give out streamers/balloons at walking locations (arrive 7.15am - 2-3 people at each location)

☐ Serving out the food on the deck from around 7.50 (will need 6 people)

☐ Giving out stickers (2 people)

☐ Cleaning up after breakfast (4 people, at around 8.45-9.15am)

RETURN BY FRIDAY 16TH MAY 2014
Tuesday, 3 June 2014 – 7 pm

Parent Evening 1: “Raising Kids to Thrive!”

✓ How to develop real independence in kids so that they are equipped to look after themselves.
✓ The most effective parenting style for raising today’s kids.
✓ The secrets to building strong families and how you can apply these principles to your own family.
✓ Why disappointment, struggle and failure are good for kids and how you can help them grow from these experiences.
✓ Great ways to get cooperation from your kids without nagging, shaming or raising your voice.

Wednesday, 4 June 2014 – 9 am

Parent Morning 1: “How to get your kids to listen”

A different presentation that complements the previous evening—

✓ How to develop effective communication skills.
✓ How to choose appropriate consequences.
✓ How to help parents to feel confident enough to set limits and boundaries.
✓ Let parents know it is ok to “be the parent.”

It is possible to attend either or both presentations. The two sessions will be held in the Unitas Centre, St Rita’s Primary School, 39 Benfer Road, Victoria Point.

Any further enquiries, please email pvictoriapoint@bne.catholic.edu.au

A gold coin donation will be welcome at the sessions.

(Please return attendance slip below to your School Office by Friday, 30 May)

ATTENDANCE SLIP – MICHAEL GROSE PARENTING PRESENTATIONS

Names: ________________________________

Session/s attending: Parent Evening 1 ☐ Parent Morning 1 ☐ Both Sessions ☐

Thank you for your interest. St Rita’s School Parent Network