



## THE ROCK CENTRAL SCHOOL

Dear Parent/Caregiver

### SPECIAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (SRE)

Under the Education Act 1990 Section 32, there is legislative requirement that *'in every government school time is to be allowed for the religious education of children of any religious persuasion.'*

In 2012, the Lockhart Inter-Church Council will be running a Special Religious Education program in all secondary years. SRE classes will be taught by an accredited secondary teacher, employed by the Inter-Church Council.

The aim of the program is to inform students of the essential elements of the Christian faith and will involve reference to the Bible as the record of the teachings of Jesus. The program will also provide students with the opportunity to explore life issues and values that will assist them to become responsible citizens.

**At The Rock Central School, SRE will run once a fortnight for each student on a Tuesday. These classes will run for 50 minutes with one SRE teacher present.**

Parents have the right under the policy to withdraw their child from SRE classes on receipt by the school of a signed request. Students who are withdrawn by parents from SRE classes will be attending their regular class.

***Should you wish to withdraw your child from SRE please do so by returning the SRE Exemption notification below to the school office. Notices will be accepted and changes made for the following week.***

Students who **do not return** an Exemption Notification will be included in SRE classes

Yours sincerely

Donna Rockley  
Principal

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### The Rock Central School SRE Exemption Notification

Return to School Office

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I do not wish my child to attend SRE classes while a student at The Rock Central School

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Parent/Caregiver

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Date