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Dear LS and LR

Thank you for your letter of 17 November, in which you write on behalf of a number of parents whose children attended St Ann's Special School between 1986 and 1991.

The matters raised in your letter are currently under investigation by the South Australian Police and I am unable to comment further until the police have concluded their investigation and other steps within the legal process have been concluded.

However, should you, or other parents, wish to lodge formal complaints or speak with senior people within Catholic Education and the Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Adelaide regarding the education of their children at St Ann's Special School, I would be more than happy to make the appropriate arrangements.

I have attached a copy of *Towards Healing* and would encourage you and others who have similar concerns to consider speaking with us in order that those concerns can be heard.

In regard to the way the matter was handled by the school authorities at the time, I advise that I note your letter as a formal expression of concern and following the conclusion of the police enquiry I will investigate this matter further. In the normal course of events such an investigation would reach a conclusion and I would be more than happy to provide you with the outcome of this investigation.

I am particularly mindful that this is very difficult time for some families and I assure you that we are concerned to hear from any family with a concern regarding the education of their children at St Ann's Special School.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

ALLAN DOOLEY
DIRECTOR

27 November 2001