

# Christian Brothers Oceania

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Mr J Hennessy

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Dear John,

Greetings from the Christian Brothers.

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of 27 August 2009 in which you asked about the possibility of financial assistance to visit your father in England.

I notice that you appear to have declined to accept an offer (in late 1997) from the West Australian Institutes Reconciliation Trust, which body is, of course, now no longer in existence.

I am not aware whether you have made an application to Redress WA, for which applications have now closed, but I feel confident that, if your circumstances warranted it, you would have done so.

If, in fact, you have not taken up either of these opportunities then I have to indicate that the Christian Brothers are not now in a position to provide financial assistance to you.

I am, of course, sympathetic to your need to visit your ailing father and encourage you to do so, even though I'm not able to provide financial resources to assist you.

If you are of a mind to formalise a complaint about your time at Bindoon, then I refer you to the Professional Standards Office in Sydney (02 9287 1542 or 1300 369 977).

With every best wish,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brian Brandon".

Br Brian Brandon  
Executive Officer for Professional Standards