Dear Parents and Students,

We are excited to welcome you to our classroom this year. Mrs. Fudali has been at St. Michael's for 11 years and has taught years 1-7. Corin is married with one 2 1/2 year old son, Sean, and lives in Adelaide. Mrs. Hall has taught years 3-12 in the United States, Austria and now Australia. Darlene is married with two children and lives in the Hills. Between us, we have over 28 years of teaching experience! Mrs. Fudali will work Monday through Wednesday and Mrs. Hall will work Thursday and Friday. We’d like to inform you of some classroom information:

**Fruit Break:** We ask that a piece of fruit or vegetable be brought to school for a morning snack. Recess is from 10:50—11:10 am and lunch from 1:10—1:20 pm.

**Sports Uniform:** Sport with Mr. Phillips is scheduled for Wednesday mornings. Please remember to send your child in his/her sport uniform on that day.

**Homework:** Each week students will have a homework contract. It will consist of spelling, maths and unit of inquiry tasks. The homework policy was created so students could work around their extracurricular activities during the week. Therefore, all work should be completed and handed up on Friday. In some extreme instances, if homework is not completed, we ask that you write a note in the diary. Our school may trial a new homework grid in term 2 and we’ll send more information at a later date.

**Diaries:** These are expected to be used each day. Students should write homework completed each night and parents should sign it before Friday. Diaries should be returned to school each morning and placed in the tray. We can also use this for communication between home and school.

**Learning Journals:** Each Friday, students will write a reflective essay based on their learning for the week. Please read it over the weekend, sign and return it on Monday. Your child will earn house points for signed, returned journals. This journal is an excellent insight into your child's learning.

**Parent Information Night:** We look forward to meeting you on Thursday, 10th February at 7:45—8:30 pm. We have prepared a brief presentation outlining our classroom expectations and plans for the year. At 7:00 pm, there is a mandatory reporting seminar which will enable parents to volunteer in the classroom and on excursions. Please try to make it!

**Parent Homework:** A letter was sent home with your child requesting feedback on your goals and important information about your child. We have found this to very useful information when beginning the new year. We hope to receive these soon. They will not be marked!

**Class Newsletters:** We aim to send a newsletter home during the odd weeks of each term. If you don't receive a hard copy, please look on the school website as they are posted there.

**Class Carer:** Mrs. Tania Jeffries has graciously offered to be our class carer. If anyone would like to assist her, just let us know. Thanks.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to write us in your child’s diary or via email cfudali@stmichaels.sa.edu.au or dhall@stmichaels.sa.edu.au. We hope you have a blessed week.

Yours in Christ, Corin Fudali and Darlene Hall