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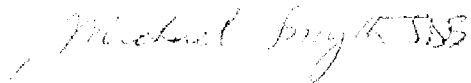
Dear Mr Wong and friends,

Thank you for your letter and good wishes for Christmas, and for your gift which I have shared with the members of the Salesian community here in Crumlin. I am pleased to hear that you have such fond memories of Fr Deane who was, by all accounts, a fine teacher and educator in the best tradition of Don Bosco.

Fr Deane is well cared for in the Nursing Home of the St John of God Brothers – the Order to which his own late brother belonged. He was with us today for Christmas Dinner and was accompanied by Theresa. I think they enjoyed the occasion. Fr Foster visits him regularly, and others visit him occasionally. He seems to be happy and cheerful, but sadly it is now very difficult to understand what he is saying.

Thank you for your continued interest and concern for Fr Deane's welfare. I wish you all a very happy New Year.

Yours sincerely,



Fr Michael Smyth SDB  
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