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Dear Parents/Guardians

TRIAL TUTORING SEMESTER 2 - YOUR TUTOR

Your Tutor (www.yourtutor.com.au) is a customised Online Tutoring website, which Mt St Michael's would like to trial for all interested students during Semester 2. Many parents and students constantly ask me to refer them to reliable tutors. Unfortunately, we rarely have an extensive list of tutors available. The cost of the Your Tutor service is **\$40 for the semester**, which is approximately \$2 per week. This is a very reasonable cost compared to the average tutoring price of \$15 - \$30 per hour. To be able to implement this service, at this price we need a minimum of 250 students to register.

How does the tutoring service work?

Students log on through the website and request an online tutor. In a few minutes the Your Tutor system matches them with a tutor in their area of need. Any time your child has a question about their homework, an assignment or exam revision, they can log into the secure website, indicate their year level and the subject they need help in, and connect to an expert Australian tutor for a live, one-to-one learning session. There's no need to book ahead. If you have seen your child use instant messaging, then you already understand the concept. Students love this service because it's online, immediate, and anonymous.

The Your Tutor website will be made available to your daughters from **3.00 pm – 10.00 pm, Sunday – Friday**. The tutoring service provides **one-to-one academic support** to students from Year 8 – 12 in the following subject areas –

- Maths – Year 8 – 12
- Science (including Biology, Physics and Chemistry) – Year 8 – 12
- English – General English and Essay Writing – Year 8 – 12
- Assignment Research - Finding information, organising reports/assignments, etc.
- Study Skills - Time management, note taking skills, revision techniques, etc.

The tutors are *qualified experts in their subject areas who are specially trained in online tutoring for young people*. They have a range of backgrounds and qualifications, from *certified teachers, professional tutors, and post graduate students*. All tutors have been screened and are eligible for the Working with Children – Blue Card, or equivalent. All tutor sessions are monitored, ensuring they maintain the highest levels of quality control and service provision.

The Your Tutor website can be accessed at www.yourtutor.com.au. You can view a demonstration and there is also Parent Information available.

Any tutoring service that your daughter accesses, is an opportunity to enhance, not replace the learning that occurs in the classroom. It should be seen as a service to assist your daughter as she completes homework, assignments and revises for exams.

If you would like your daughter to be registered with the Mt St Michael's Your Tutor service, please fill in the documentation on the next page. We will be registering all interested students at the commencement of next term. Once they have been registered



they will receive a card, which has the user number and password on it. They will also be given a training session in using Your Tutor. We will inform you as soon as the service is accessible to the students, which we would hope, is by about the 4th week of Term 3.

I hope that you will consider this opportunity for your daughter.

Yours sincerely

Melissa Dever
Deputy Principal – Curriculum

MT ST MICHAEL'S COLLEGE – YOUR TUTOR

Please return this portion of the form and payment (\$40 per student), in an envelope that is clearly marked - **YOUR TUTOR** to the Fees Box at Student Reception by **FRIDAY 17TH JULY.**

Name of Student: _____ Homeroom: _____

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Payment Method:

- Cash
- Cheque payable to Mt St Michael's College Ltd (not MSM)
- Credit Card: fill-out portion below.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS

Name of Cardholder: _____

Amount: _____ For: _____

Please charge my: Mastercard Visa Expiry date: ___ ___ / ___ ___

Card number:

Cardholder's signature: _____