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Mandatory School Closure

27-06-2016

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is with extreme regret that I write to inform you that we have been directed by the Department of Education and Skills **to close the school** for one full day on **Monday 27-06-2016**, to facilitate staff training on the New Language Curriculum.

On receiving the request we appealed it on the grounds that it was very late in the academic year and that it would pose great inconvenience to families. We asked that we could defer the closure until early in the new academic year. However, it was not considered acceptable and so, we must close.

The New Language Curriculum will be phased in over the next two years. It is facilitated by the PDST of the Department of Education and Skills and will involve a further closure next year. We hope we will be given greater notice. Due to a clerical error a number of schools were omitted from the mailing list, including a few in our locality, resulting in the current situation.

Please accept my sincere apologies for any inconvenience that this may cause your family. It is entirely beyond our control and if there was an alternative, be assured it would have been taken.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Rock

Principal