

# Focused External Review Information for Parents/Guardians

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Education Officers within the Directorate for Quality and Standards in Education (DQSE) will be reviewing the school in the coming weeks. The following information is a guideline detailing the process involved in the External Review.

# A. What is the purpose of the External Review?

- To evaluate the school's progress or performance against the <u>National Quality</u> <u>Standards</u> that focus on Educational Leadership and Management.
- · To promote school improvement.

# B. What happens during an External Review?

Reviewers evaluate:

- the quality of the educational leadership and management.
- the extent to which the school is able to reflect on its performance and improve its practices.

Reviewers base their evaluations on interviews and questionnaires with stakeholders, as well as observation of activities and procedures/routines taking place outside the classroom.

# C. What happens after the External Review?

The Head of school receives a report that highlights the school's strengths and areas that need improvement. Communication with parents on the outcomes of the report will depend on the context and focus of the external review.

# D. As a parent/guardian, what may be my contribution to the External Review?

Parents/guardians can contribute towards the success of the External Review by completing the pre-external review questionnaire.

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