**Report on Form 1 “Bringing Character into the School”**

On behalf of the Local School Board, the staff and students of Form 1 of Aranguez North Secondary School, we would like to sincerely thank Mr. Dolly and his team for the intervention in to our school’s life.

Although the principal was not able to attend any of the sessions the Chairman, Mr. Babulal, was present on a couple of occasions and observed the proceedings very closely. We were all very pleased at the manner in which the graduation Ceremony took place. Mr. Ramlal, one of our School Supervisors, was very impressed and felt that similar programmes should be happening in all schools.

At the school’s end- of -term staff meeting teachers expressed mixed views on the programme and there were differing expectations among the teachers. Mr. Dolly and his team returned for a meeting with the staff in the third week of the third term in an effort to close the gap between the viewpoints, for the benefit of both teachers and students.

At the end of the session many more form-teachers were interested in having their classes participate in the programme. A meeting was to be setup of interested staff with Mr. Dolly’s team to continue spreading the programme. This has been forestalled due to the non-payment of the professional fees to the provider which became due on the completion of the programme in April.

This situation arose because the programme was deemed by the Ministry’s Finance department to be without the permission of the Permanent Secretary who needed to approve the sum of money required. The office of the Permanent Secretary has indicated that this should be rectified very shortly.

The school looks forward to continuing the programme in the new academic year when we should be in our new premises.