

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

DEIGHTON GRIFFITH SECONDARY SCHOOL



FOR THE YEAR SEPTEMBER 1, 2020
TO AUGUST 31, 2021

1. BOARD MEMBERSHIP

In accordance with Section 20 of the Education Act, 1981-25, the Board of Management, Deighton Griffith Secondary School, submits the Annual Report for the period 1st September 2020 to 31st August 2021.

The Board of Management functioned under Section 16 of the Education Act 1981-25.

The membership of the Board for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021, comprised the following:

Mr. John Wilson	- Chairman
Mrs. Wendy Knight-Hunte	- Deputy Chairman
Mr. Granville Carter	- Member
Ms. Donna Gittens	- Member
Rev. Selven Lowe	- Member
Mr. Robert Tudor	- Member
Mr. Leon Blades	- Member
Ms. Kelly Ann Sandiford	- Member
Mr. Dwane Goddard	- Representative of the C.T.U.S.A.B.
Ms. Stacey Leacock	- Representative of the P.T.A.

The Chief Education Officer was represented by Dr. Christina Morris, Senior Education Officer, at Board meetings.

During the period under review the resignation of Ms. Cherylann Hoyte, Member, was placed at the disposal of the Minister.

Sub-Committees

The under mentioned Sub-Committees comprised of the following Members:

Establishments Sub-Committee

Mr. John Wilson	- Chairman
Mrs. Wendy Knight-Hunte	- Deputy Chairman
Rev. Selven Lowe	- Member
Mr. Leon Blades	- Member
Mr. Dwane Goddard	- Representative of the C.T.U.S.A.B.
Ministry's Representative	
Principal	
Deputy Principal (Ag)	
Head of Department (particular subject area)	

Disciplinary Sub-Committee

Mr. John Wilson	- Chairman
Mrs. Wendy Knight-Hunte	- Deputy Chairman
Rev. Selven Lowe	- Member
Mr. Granville Carter	- Member
Mr. Dwane Goddard	- Representative of the C.T.U.S.A.B.
Ministry's Representative	

Principal
Deputy Principal (Ag)
Guidance Counsellor
Senior Teacher (particular year group)

Tenders Sub-Committee

Mr. John Wilson - Chairman
Mrs. Wendy Knight-Hunte - Deputy Chairman
Mr. Granville Carter - Member
Ms. Donna Gittens - Member
Rev. Selven Lowe - Member
Mr. Leon Blades - Member
Mr. Robert Tudor - Member
Ms. Kelly Ann Sandiford - Member
Mr. Dwane Goddard - Representative of the C.T.U.S.A.B.
Representative of the P.T.A.
Ministry's Representative
Principal
Deputy Principal (Ag)

Buildings and Finance Sub-Committee

Mr. John Wilson - Chairman
Mrs. Wendy Knight-Hunte - Member
Mr. Robert Tudor - Member
Ms. Donna Gittens - Member
Ms. Kelly-Ann Sandiford - Member
Rev. Selven Lowe - Member
Principal
Deputy Principal (Ag)

Health and Safety Sub-Committee

Mrs Wendy Knight-Hunte - Deputy Chairman
Mr. Leon Blades - Member)
Mr. Dwane Goddard - Representative of the C.T.U.S.A.B.

2. MEETINGS AND ATTENDANCE

The Board held eleven (11) Regular Meetings; four (4) Establishments Sub-Committee meetings; one (1) Buildings and Finance Sub-Committee meetings and four (4) Tenders Committee meeting. The attendance at the meetings averaged 90%.

The business of the regular meetings dealt with the administration of the school, staff matters, use of premises and maintenance of the school plant. The Principal's Report concentrated on staffing needs and matters relating to the school.

The Establishments Sub-Committee had the responsibility of recommending persons to fill temporary teaching vacancies.

The Buildings and Finance Sub-Committee meetings discussed the Programme Budget Document and Draft Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure and the water tank issue.

The Tenders Sub-Committee had the responsibility of recommending a tenderer for security services at the school and discussing the proposed rate increase proffered by the security firm. Also a meeting was held to ascertain how the canteen concessionaire had been impacted financially due to the Covid-19 environment.

The Draft Minutes and the Confirmed Minutes of the meetings were duly submitted to the Ministry of Education.

Main Recommendation from the Board Meetings

1. The Board continued to advocate for additional classroom space due to the increasing student population. The current number of students admitted surpassed the numbers the existing classrooms could accommodate. During the period under review, two (2) Infill Classrooms were constructed in the northern section of the school for the amount of two hundred and sixty-two thousand, one hundred and fifty-nine dollars and fifty-seven cents (\$262,159.57)
2. After conducting a survey of the property west of the school, the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Rural Development recommended by letter (Ref No. 030/20-34) that the space outside the fencing which is the school's property should be enclosed. During the period under review this was completed.
3. To prevent the closure of the school in the event of a water outage, the water tanks needed to be connected in order to provide water throughout the school.
4. The auditorium roof should be repaired as a matter of urgency as members of staff and students were at risk of possible injury.

3. STAFF

Teaching

There are forty-nine (49) established posts allocated to the school including the post of Principal, Deputy Principal and Guidance Counsellor. There are seven (7) temporary posts in addition to the established posts and one (1) part-time teacher.

The status of the staff was as follows:

Permanent

1 Principal
1 Deputy Principal

1 Guidance Counsellor
9 Heads of Departments
5 Senior Teachers
32 Teachers

Temporary

7 Teachers

Part-Time

1 Teacher

Non-Teaching Staff

Board of Management's Office

1 Secretary-Treasurer
1 Executive Officer
1 Clerk-Typist

School

1 Secretary
1 Clerk-Typist
1 Librarian
1 Laboratory Assistant
1 Porter/Messenger
1 Artisan
2 Groundsmen
5 Janitors
2 General Workers
2 Watchmen
1 Relief Watchman

The following staff changes took place during the period under review.

Teaching Staff

Term's Leave

There were no applications for term's leave for the period under review.

Acting in Senior Positions

Mrs. Wendy Lewis, Head of Department, Fine Arts, acted as Deputy Principal for the period September 1 to 30 2020 vice Mrs. Margo Simmons-Jemmott, former holder of the post who retired with effect from April 24, 2017.

Mrs. Bernadine Lowe, Head of Department, Home Economics acted as Deputy Principal for the period October 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021 vice Mrs. Margo Simmons-Jemmott, former holder of the post who retired with effect from April 24, 2017.

Mrs. Hazel Alleyne, Graduate Teacher acted as Head of Department, Fine Arts for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021 vice Mrs. Wendy Lewis, holder of the assignment, who acted as Deputy Principal vice Mrs. Margo Simmons-Jemmott, holder of the post who retired with effect from April 24, 2017.

Ms. Andrea Gittens, Graduate Teacher acted as Head of Department, Modern Languages for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021 vice Mrs. Alanda Sandiford holder of the assignment who retired with effect from August 1, 2019.

Mrs. Lisa Reece, Graduate Teacher acted as Head of Department General Studies for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021 vice Mrs. Althea Murray-Harding former holder of the assignment who retired with effect from January 1, 2020.

Mr. Dexter Johnson, Graduate Teacher acted as Head of Department English for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021 vice Mrs. Marcia Cumberbatch former holder of the assignment who passed away on August 26, 2019.

Mrs. Jean Shepherd, Graduate Teacher acted as Head of Department, Home Economics for the period October 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021 vice Mrs. Bernadine Lowe holder of the assignment who acted as Deputy Principal vice Mrs. Margo Simmons-Jemmott, holder of the post who retired with effect from April 24, 2017.

Mr. Shawn Parsons, Graduate teacher acted as Head of Department, Industrial Arts for the period April 26, 2021 to August 31, 2021 vice Mr. Robert Lewis holder of the assignment who was assigned to act as Deputy Principal of the Lodge School with effect from April 26, 2021.

Mr. Andrew Edey, Graduate Teacher, continued as Information Technology Co-Ordinator for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021.

Mr. Geoffrey Merritt, Graduate Teacher, continued as CVQ Co-Ordinator with effect from September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021.

Ms. Latisha Bourne acted as Guidance Counsellor for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021 vice Mrs. Ruth Hinds holder of the post who retired effective May 30, 2018.

Confirmation of Permanent Appointments

The permanent appointment to the Public Service was confirmed for

the following Teacher:

Mr. Vatalli Lashley, Teacher (Special Grade)

Temporary Appointments

Mr. Vatalli Lashley acted as temporary teacher for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021 vice Mrs. Hazel Alleyne, Graduate Teacher who acted as Head of Department, Fine Arts, vice Mrs. Wendy Lewis holder of the assignment who acted as Deputy Principal vice Mrs. Margo Simmons-Jemmott holder of the post who retired from the Public Service.

Ms. Keira Gibson acted as temporary teacher for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021 vice Mrs. Alanda Sandiford, Head of Department, Foreign Languages on extended sick leave and retired effective August 1, 2019.

Ms. Tamara White acted as temporary teacher for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021 vice Ms. Cherie Tull, Graduate Teacher, who was recommended to act as Guidance Counsellor, St. George Secondary.

Mr. Kerrell Ashby acted as temporary teacher for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021 vice Mr. Dwayne Gamble holder of the post who was seconded to the Caribbean Examinations Council.

Ms. Christina Allman acted as temporary teacher for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021 vice Mr. Colvin Chase, Graduate Teacher on suspension with effect from April 16, 2018.

Ms. Raschell Brathwaite-Jones acted as temporary teacher for the period September 1 2020 to August 31, 2021 vice Mrs. Althea Murray-Harding, holder of the post who retired with effect from January 1, 2020.

Ms. Kirralee Fields acted as temporary teacher for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021 vice Mrs. Victoire Oxley, Graduate Teacher on suspension with effect from April 18, 2019.

Ms. Simmone Taitt acted as temporary teacher for the period September 1 2020 to August 31, 2021 vice Mrs. Marcia Cumberbatch, holder of the post who passed away on August 26, 2019.

Ms. Shanice Murray acted as temporary teacher for the period November 9, 2020 to December 31, 2020 and January 1, 2021 to August 31, 2021 vice Mrs. Bernadine Lowe, holder of the post recommended to act as Deputy Principal.

Mrs. Lizza Walker acted as temporary teacher for the period May 31, 2021 to July 9, 2021 vice Mr. Robert Lewis who was assigned to act as Deputy Principal of the Lodge School with effect from April 26, 2021.

Part-Time Teacher

Ms. Jamona Holder acted as Part-Time teacher for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021 vice Ms. Ramona Carter recommended to act as temporary teacher in the Business Studies Department vice Mr. Livingstone Stewart who resigned with effect from March 2, 2020.

Re-Assignments – Academic Year September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021

The following teachers were re-assigned for the academic year September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021.

Ms. Joy-Ann Reid acted as temporary teacher in the post assigned by the Ministry of Education.

Ms. Randallyn Forde acted as temporary teacher in the post assigned by the Ministry of Education.

Ms. Esther Reece acted as temporary teacher in the post assigned by the Ministry of Education.

Ms. Sonja Martindale acted as temporary teacher in the post assigned by the Ministry of Education.

Mr. Barry Tudor acted as temporary teacher in the post assigned by the Ministry of Education.

Ms. Ramona Carter acted as temporary teacher in the post assigned by the Ministry of Education.

Ms. Keri McClean acted as temporary teacher in the post assigned by the Ministry of Education.

Award of Postgraduate Degree

Mr. Shawn Parsons, Graduate Teacher was awarded the Master of Education (Curriculum Studies).

Award of Postgraduate Diploma

Ms. Keira Gibson, Graduate Teacher was awarded the Postgraduate Diploma in Education – Secondary.

Award of Postgraduate Certificate

Mr. Vatali Lashley, Teacher (Special Grade) was awarded the Postgraduate Certificate in Educational Practice.

Award of Degree

Ms. Toni Holder, Teacher (Special Grade) was awarded the Bachelor of Education, Language Education (Literatures in English).

Mr. Keith Brathwaite, Teacher was awarded the Bachelor of Education, Technical/Vocational.

Award of Diploma in Education

Ms. Kirralee Fields, Graduate Teacher was awarded the Diploma in Education (Technical & Applied), Distinction.

Ms. Sonja Martindale, Graduate Teacher was awarded the Diploma in Education (Technical & Applied).

Extended Sick Leave

There was no extended sick leave taken for the period under review.

Retirement

There were no retirements for the period under review.

Study Leave to pursue a Legal Education Certificate

Ms. Kerrilyn Harding, Graduate Teacher was granted study leave with effect from October 2020 to June 2022 to pursue her Legal Education Certificate at the Hugh Wooding Law School, Trinidad & Tobago.

Maternity Leave

Maternity leave was not taken for the period under review.

Non-Teaching Staff

Retirement

There were no retirements for the period under review.

Appointment

Ms. Melissa Holder was appointed to the post of Executive Officer with effect from January 1, 2021.

Acting Appointment

Ms. Kellee Lewis acted as Clerk/Typist for the period April 21st to 30th, 2021 vice Ms. Kathy-Ann Maloney who was on sick leave.

Temporary Appointments

Mr. Theo Mayers continued to act as Janitor vice Ms. Diana Millar who retired on September 1, 2018.

Mr. Christopher Williams continued to act as Watchman vice Mr. Cecil King who retired effective February 1, 2018.

Mr. Anthony Welch continued to act as Relief Watchman vice Mr. Christopher Williams who continued to act as Watchman vice Mr. Cecil King who retired effective February 1, 2018.

Mr. Rommel Alder acted as temporary Relief Watchman for the periods September 10 to 29, 2020 vice Mr. Anthony Welch on vacation leave; and January 17 to 28, 2021, April 10 to 15, 20 to 24 & 27, 2021 vice Mr. Welch who acted as Watchman vice Mr. Christopher Williams on sick leave.

Mr. Alder acted as temporary Relief Watchman from May 6 to 16, 2021 vice Mr. Anthony Welch who acted as Watchman for Rupert Holder on sick leave and July 1 to 30, 2021 vice Mr. Anthony Welch who acted as Watchman vice Mr. Rupert Holder on vacation leave.

Mr. Rommel Alder acted as temporary Watchman for the periods November 2 to 15, 2020 and April 3 to 6, 2021 vice Mr. Christopher Williams on sick leave.

Mr. Ricardo Miller acted as temporary Watchman for the period July 19 to 30, 2021 vice Mr. Christopher Williams on sick leave.

4. PLANT, FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT

General Maintenance

The Board carried out routine maintenance work to the buildings. The school hall roof was repaired and repairs were done in the hall, the water tanks were correctly connected to run water throughout the school, windows were repaired, faulty light fixtures and fittings were replaced, desks were repaired, and plumbing repairs were carried out.

Use of Plant

During the period under review, approval was given for the use of the premises to various organisations. The organisations held sporting events, dance classes, karate classes, general meetings and elections.

Furniture & Equipment

Furniture and equipment were purchased as the school required.

Award of Contract for the Canteen

The Contract for the operation of the school's canteen was awarded to Ms. Francia Small T/A FRN Enterprises, at a concession fee of four thousand, five hundred dollars (\$4,500.00) per term for the period January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021.

Award of Contract for Security Services

The Contract for the provision of security services was awarded to A & C Security Services for the period October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021.

5. FINANCE

Appointment of Auditors

The decision on the appointment of Auditors, which was to be made by the Minister of Education, was outstanding at the date of the completion of this report.

Allocations for the Financial Year April 2020 to March 2021

The Ministry's allocation to the Deighton Griffith Secondary School for the financial year April 2020 to March 2021 was and was distributed as follows:

101	- Statutory Personal Emoluments	- \$3,427,620.00
102	- Other Personal Emoluments	- \$1,477,115.00
103	- National Insurance	- \$495,244.00
206	- Travel	- \$8,820.00
207	- Utilities	- \$120,860.00
208	- Rental of Property	- \$27,800.00
209	- Library	- \$1,562.00
210	- Supplies and Materials	- \$114,025.00
211	- Maintenance of Property	- \$130,271.00
212	- Operating Expenses	- \$37,900.00
226	- Professional Services	- \$10,000.00
751	- Property and Plant	- \$313,912.00
753	- Furniture and Fittings	- \$53,240.00
785	- Assets Under Construction	- \$11,783.00
	TOTAL	- \$ 6,230,152.00

The funds were disbursed as per the allocations from the Ministry of Education and items were purchased as per the approved Estimates.

The Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the period April 1 2020 to March 31, 2021 remain unaudited because the school is awaiting a decision on the appointment of an Auditor.

DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

Students

During the period under review, the following student was suspended:

Name of Student	Form	Period of Suspension
Keshera Beckles 15 yrs. 9 mths.	5-7	2 school days
Kismar Burrowes 15 yrs. 7 mths.	4-5	5 school days

7. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

STAFFING

As part of the reassignment of some Principals in September 2020, Mr. Anthony Alleyne, Principal, was transferred to Lester Vaughan School and Maj. Michael Boyce assumed leadership of this fine institution.

Later, Deputy Principal (Ag) Dr. Wendy Lewis was assigned to act as Principal at the Ellerslie School effective 1 October 2020. With the departure of Dr. Lewis, MrS. Bernadine Lowe, Head of Department for Human Ecology (Formerly called Home Economics) was assigned to act as Deputy Principal, Mrs. Jean Shepherd assigned to act as Head of Department – Human Ecology and we welcomed Ms. Shanice Murray to teach in the Human Ecology department and Biology in the Science department.

At the beginning of Term 3 of the 2020-2021 academic year, Mr. Robert Lewis, Head of the Industrial Technology (formerly Industrial Arts) Department was assigned to The Lodge School to serve as Deputy Principal (Ag). This resulted in Mr. Shawn Parsons being assigned Head of Department (Ag) and Ms. Lizza Walker engaged to teach in the Industrial Arts department.

STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Some members of staff pursued professional development and other related training during the period under review:

Bachelor of Education in Language Education (Literatures in English) – Ms. Toni Holder and with First Class Honours

Post Graduate Diploma in Educational Leadership - Mr. Rodney Wharton (2020)

Masters in Biblical Counselling – Pastor Cheryl Trotman, our Library Assistant

Training

During the summer of 2021 the Principal participated in the 28th Biennial Conference of the Caribbean Association of Principals of Secondary Schools. This conference was planned and executed by the Association of Principals of Secondary Schools of Trinidad and Tobago and took place in the virtual environment in light of the Covid-19 pandemic. The 29th Biennial Conference is scheduled to be held here in beautiful Barbados in the summer of 2023 hosted by the Barbados Association of Principals of Public Secondary Schools.

APPOINTMENTS

We congratulate the following persons on their appointment to the Public Service:

To the Post of Deputy Principal – Dr. Wendy Lewis

To the Public Service –Mr. Kerrell Ashby, Ms. Randallyn Forde, Mr. Vatalli Lashley, Ms. Sonja Martindale, Mrs. Joy-Ann Reid, Ms. Esther Reece and Ms. Tamara White.

ACADEMIC

The Covid-19 pandemic has affected education and schools in a big way. Schools and teachers were suddenly thrust into what was initially deemed Emergency Response facilitating online instruction sessions.

Internal Examinations

At the start of the 2020 – 2021 academic year, the decision was taken here, to

not have End of Year Examinations. They were replaced by a set of standardized assessments administered over the course of the year. There were mixed results from this initiative. Teachers noted that some students took full advantage of this arrangement and readily applied themselves while others did not. It is to be noted that given the uncertainty at the start of the current academic year, the decision was taken to go this route once again. We have taken note of the lessons from the past year and will make adjustments accordingly.

CXC CSEC Examinations

The CXC Examinations continued during the period under review. In 2021 as the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic deepened they were delayed by two months.

	2018 - 2019	2019 - 2020	2020 - 2021
No. of Entries	840	940	1146 (including 58 deferrals) = 1088
No. of Sittings	808	833	903
No. of Grades I-III	529	606	548
% Grades I - III	69.4	72.9	60.7

In 2021, the number of subjects increased to 29 and the number of entries to 1146. Fifty-eight (58) entries would later be deferred to January and June 2022.

In 2021, four subjects had improved performances and six had similar performances to 2020. Seven subjects recorded 100% Grades I to III again with six for a second straight year. It is be noted that Industrial Technology – Building and Furniture Technology, Industrial Technology – Mechanical, Physical Education and Sport and Textiles, Clothing and Fashion recorded 100% Grades I to III each year from 2019 to 2021.

At this point we are extremely pleased to share that in the 2021 examinations two of our students were within the top ten in the Caribbean for Industrial Technology – Mechanical. Kobeah Callender was ranked 5th and Kya Knight, 7th. We heartily commend these students and their teachers.

Students wrote the Theatre Arts examination for the first time in 2020. While the results for this cohort were disappointing, we are pleased that all those who wrote the 2021 examination earned Grades I to III.

2021 was the first year students wrote the Economics examination. The results were not what we expected, and every effort will be made to obtain improved results in 2022 and beyond.

In the 2020-2021 school year we piloted the Office Administration/EDPM combination in the Business Studies Department. In this programme, in the 4th form year (one year program) 34 students were registered to sit the EDPM exam. Of that number, 27 or 76.5% earned Grades I to III. In the 5th form, 15 students wrote both the Office Administration and EDPM examinations. In the case of EDPM all of them earned Grades I to III compared to 14 (93%) for Office Administration.

Without a doubt the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic negatively impacted the mental and “physical” preparation for CSEC examinations. There were anxious moments for students, parents/guardians and teachers. Nonetheless, we heartily commend those students who excelled in the various subject areas. We also heartily commend all teachers for their continued effort and hard work to prepare our students not only for these examinations but also to function competently in the world upon graduation years.

CXC Caribbean Vocational Qualifications

During the period under review students continued their preparation in the areas of Food Preparation and Cookery, Amenities Horticulture and Aquaculture. We are elated to share that we received Subject Approval for Business Administration, Data Operations, General Office Administration and

Aquaculture Grow Out Operations, all at Level 1. We look forward to adding them to our curricular offerings. This will require some additional teachers to adequately meet the needs of our students.

On a general note, we encourage you students to take ownership of your education and make a greater effort with your day-to-day studies and preparation for examinations. We teachers readily acknowledge that there is room for improvement in all areas. We will continue to seek out and use new and innovative strategies in our lessons. This has been especially evident in the lessons during the past two years. Teachers continue to commit increasing numbers of hours seeking out and applying new technologies and software in lesson preparation and delivery to better engage students as we operated in either the online or blended environments.

NON-ACADEMIC

School is concerned with the total development of the student. During the period under review our students excelled in many non-academic areas albeit on a reduced scale after the first two terms of the 2019 – 2020 academic year.

Music / Performing Arts

In 2020 – 2021 Kalani Bishop who won the Digicel Life 97.5FM Kids Gospel Challenge and the 2nd Form Year Group hosted an Evening of the Arts led by their Year Head.

Oral and Leadership Skills Development

Foreign Language contests and Independence Speech contests were successful executed.

In Football, the 2020 – 2021 season was an inactive season for the three teams because of the stipulations of the COVID -19 pandemic. However, a few individual players were able to participate in national programs and international competitions. Fifteen-year-old panther Shamari Harewood was invited to train with the Barbados Football Association's national training for

the U15, U17 and U20 teams in June 2021 and continues to do so. He will also be embarking on a two-week program with The Tottenham Hotspurs FC in the UK on April 7th, 2022. Female panthers Rashouna Edwards and Destiny Best were members of the Women's U17 National Team to the Concacaf W Under17 Championship from October 20th – November 1st, 2021, at IMG in Florida, USA. Their experience of playing at that level can only benefit our program. Fifteen-year-old fourth year panther Isaiah Crichlow, a multisport athlete is currently preparing for an overseas summer trip with his local club.

We commend and congratulate all students, parents/guardians, teachers and facilitators for the achievements in the non-academic areas.

HOME-SCHOOL RELATIONS

We continue to enjoy a mutually respectful and productive partnership with the PTA. We are therefore grateful for its donation of fans and picnic benches.

PARTNERSHIPS

Strategic partnerships are important to help schools adequately meet the needs of their populations. To this end, we are grateful for Cee Vision Academy's donation of equipment to the school.

DISCIPLINE

Discipline is an important ingredient for and as our motto states guarantees success. We continue to insist on high standards of conduct and deportment and to encourage and promote positive attitudes.

PLANT AND FACILITIES

School infrastructure is a very critical component in ensuring successful teaching and learning. The Deighton Griffith Secondary School can boast of a beautiful campus and its continuous maintenance and upkeep are necessary. We commend our ancillary staff. During the 2020 – 2021 academic year we

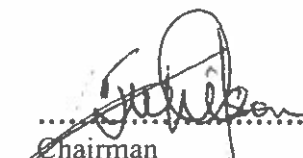
were able to construct two of the four originally planned infill classrooms. We are also very grateful that the school sustained no major damage during the freak storm, ash fall and Hurricane Elsa in 2020.

CONCLUSION

The Deighton Griffith Secondary School has demonstrated growth over the past year. For this we thank the staff (teaching and non-teaching), students, parents/guardians, alumni, well-wishers. We will however, not rest on our laurels for the face of education continues to change daily. The onset of the Covid-19 pandemic has significantly accelerated this and impacted the teaching-learning interaction. Everyone involved in education must continue to adapt. We are required to more and more embrace new strategies and modes of operation in our desire to provide quality education with the goal of preparing graduates who will make a meaningful contribution to our nation and the world at large.

We recognise that we cannot do it all alone and welcome the continuation of current and the formation of mutually beneficial partnerships. We will continue to demand that students make a serious commitment to invest in themselves and their future as we continue to be examples and models worthy of their emulation. We must all be grounded in discipline for Discipline Guarantees Success!

The Annual Report for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021 was adopted by the Board of Management, Deighton Griffith Secondary School at its meeting held onJune 30th....., 2022.


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Chairman
Board of Management
Deighton Griffith Secondary School

