

December 14, 2012

Dear Parents and Guardians:

An issue was brought to our attention this morning that will have an impact on St. Stephen's Elementary School.

Today we learned that Mr. Rutledge was listed as one of the accused in a marijuana trafficking network in Nova Scotia. There is no reason to believe that this accusation relates in any way to St. Stephen's Elementary School. It is important to confirm that your children are safe in school and that the focus at the school will continue to be on your children and their learning.

Mr. Rutledge was not in school today. He is on administrative leave while the matter is being investigated. Please be assured that our Human Resources Department will work through this personnel issue.

Effective immediately, Mr. David Fowlie will be the Acting Principal at the school. I will be at the school on Monday to ensure a smooth transition with Mr. Fowlie to his new role.

Sincerely,

Anne Marie Melnyk,
School Administration Supervisor