

Floradale Public School

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

As always, the safety of your children is our first priority at school. Today we had an opportunity to test one of our precautionary procedures by putting in place what we call a "Hold and Secure."

Hold and Secure is used to secure the school due to an ongoing situation outside and not related to the school. In this situation, the school continues to function normally, with the exterior doors being locked until such time as the situation near the school is resolved.

In our case, we were notified by police that they were seeking someone in the community. The issue was a bit of a distance from the school, but they wanted us to be aware of the situation. On their advice we put the Hold and Secure in place. This meant that our outside doors were locked.

Throughout the afternoon we were in contact with the School Board's urgent response team, who were in contact with the police. This allows us to focus on the learning that is happening in the school. After being in the Hold and Secure for approximately one hour, we were contacted by the police to let us know that the individual had been found safely, and the Hold and Secure was lifted.

If you have any questions, please contact us at the school.

Sincerely,

Jeff Parliament Principal

