

REV. P. SEARSON

1. Information was received from the school principal, via the C.E.O. that two girls from the school were preparing for a para-liturgy and they met the Parish Priest at one of the doors of the church; he confronted one of them and produced a large knife and held it to her chest, and advised her "not to go any further or it will go through you."

CEO advised that the parents should be notified. The girl was interviewed and a statement taken. Police are not proceeding at this point as the father of the girl was not prepared to give consent. Police expressed a wish that the Archbishop be advised.

2. Principal visited P.S., who expressed a disappointment that he had not approached him first. P.S. acknowledged that it was an "unfortunate incident."
3. V.G. spoke with Snr. Const. Steven Corrigan (Police Schools Involvement Programme) and with Snr. Const. Bill Howard of Doveton Police, who were handling the matter.
4. Snr. Constable Howard, on Saturday, 3 April, indicated that he was preparing a brief of evidence and would take the matter to his superiors.
5. On Monday, 5 April, Snr. Constable Howard reported that the interview with P.S. had taken about 45 minutes - he was co-operative but having sought legal advice prior to the interview, he would not allow the interview to be tape-recorded. He admitted the bit with the knife, said it was a joke. Police unable to prove any "intent." The father continued in his stand of not being prepared to put daughter into a traumatic situation.
6. Parents are REDACTED REDACTED
Doveton. Phone No. REDACT.
7. School Principal is Mr. Ray Adams. Phone No. REDACTED
and school is 791 1853.
8. Archbishop requested that the parents be visited.

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