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Ms AT

Dear AT,

Thank you for your letter which I received this week. I note that you have requested me to, "act to ensure YMCA are accountable and are operating at best practice to ensure the safety of the children. And if YMCA are not able to provide a childcare service that operates at best practice, I urge you to replace them with an alternative childcare provider who IS willing to operate at best practice."

I spoke with you on Thursday about your concerns and as a result:

Parent meeting
with Wilson
Traci G.
26/7/12

1. We agreed that parents occupy a key role in helping their children develop protective behaviours. Accordingly, I have spoken with the DEC Student Services Consultant (Ms. Ros Trussler) to organize a parent workshop to provide training in protective behaviours. I anticipate that this will provide parents with skills in recognizing indicators of abuse. This is still a work in progress and I anticipate that the parent workshop will be held early in Term 3. I would value your further input to help me work with DEC personnel to shape a workshop that meets parent needs. Please contact me at your earliest convenience to discuss this matter further.
2. We agreed that YMCA needed to reassure parents about their plans to provide a safe child care service. Accordingly, I have spoken with Kelly Anderson and Liam Whitley at YMCA and they have agreed to organize a meeting with parents to talk about the policies and procedures that YMCA has in place to provide a safe environment for children who attend. Representatives from YMCA will be at school on Wednesday 6 June and there will be two meetings held (afternoon at 2.00pm and evening at 7.00pm) which will provide parents with an opportunity to attend. Parents are welcome to ask questions at the meeting. I have sent home a note today advising parents of these arrangements.
3. Your daughter, [redacted] was handing out some cards to her classmates and I have taken the liberty of collecting them to hand back to you. I have no problem if a person wants to hand out literature outside the school gates

Rodney Tant M.Ed. (Admin.) B.Ed. Dip. Teach.
Principal
21 May 2012

Note: Had Deb Wilson visit on [redacted] parents students

YMCA Parent Meeting on 26 July.