



LETTER CIRCULAR

Date: 14th January, 2020 **Ref:** DCLE 01/2020
To: Heads of College Network / College Principals and Heads of State Primary Schools
From: Mr Stephen Cachia, Director General
Subject: **Meeting for Heads of Primary Schools**

Dear colleagues,

I hope you have had a good start to the New Year and the new term.

At the start of this term, we would like to hold a meeting for all Head of State Primary Schools to discuss and listen to your feedback with regards to two important measures which are being implemented in primary schools, mainly the emergent curriculum in the early years and the one tablet per child project.

The meeting will be held as follows:

Date: Friday 7th February 2020

Time: 08.30 - 13.15

Place: Mikiel Anton Vassalli College Hall (former M'Assunta Complex), Farsons Street, Hamrun.

Programme:

08.00 – 08.30: Registration and welcome coffee

08.30 – 10.30: **The Emergent Curriculum in the Early Years**

During this session, the EOs Early Years will be presenting what has been achieved so far and the way forward. Other EOs (Primary) will also be present to explain the links between the emergent curriculum and the development of various skills, including literacy and numeracy. We strongly appreciate your feedback and an open discussion during this session to ensure that this important change is implemented in the best way possible.

10.30 – 1100: Break with refreshments

11.00 – 13.00: **The One Tablet per Child Project**

During this session officials of the Directorate for Digital Literacy and Transversal Skills will explain the achievements of this project and brief you about an audit recently carried out by the National Audit Office regarding the use of tablets in schools. The Directorate will also explain its efforts to increase the use of tablets as an important pedagogical tool for educators and learners. We strongly appreciate your feedback in relation to the use of tablets, as well as any other issues related to this project.

13.00 – 13.15: Concluding remarks

Looking forward to our discussion on the day.

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