

Subject: Ruru Specialist School
From: "Chris Rowe"
Sent: 31/07/2015 2:28:11 pm
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Kia ora Victoria

Graham Randell forwarded me your email as I am acting in his position for the next 4-6 months.

ERO has made it clear that it is not investigating this matter as this has been done by the Ministry of Education.

Furthermore, as it is a property issue it should be raised with the Ministry. If there are issues with the consent process the Ministry could take this up with the ICC.

Regards

Chris

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The Child - the Heart of the Matter

From:

Date: 27 July 2015 7:28:34 am NZST

To: Graham Randell

Subject:

Good morning Graham

I am just following up my previous email to inform you that the seclusion room referred to by Ruru School, MoE and ERO as timeout/safe room is in fact a "small storeroom".

On 15 July 2015 I went into the Invercargill City council and was given access to the Ruru School file. The council file plans show the room was consented and built in 1999 as a "small storeroom". It was not a purpose built time/out room as stated by the school to the MoE, and reported by the investigator. The school has also purposely deceived the ICC by having building consent approved to build a small storeroom when its intended (and actual use for the past the past 16 years) was a seclusion room for disabled children and young people.

Thank you.

Victoria Turnbull

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