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NEWS RELEASE:

BACK TO SCHOOL ON ASH WEDNESDAY

As we get ready to celebrate this truly unique festival that is Carnival, the Ministry wishes to take this opportunity to wish all a safe and enjoyable time, and to express the hope that the creativity and passion that is so much a part of our festival remains with you even as you return to the challenges of your everyday lives.

Increasingly the children of our nation are becoming an active and integral part of the carnival celebrations, and rightly so, since our aim should always be to support a balance between “work and play” in our lives.

The Ministry wishes to emphasize that Ash Wednesday is a regular school day and should be treated as such.

The education of our young ones must always take precedence over our urge to celebrate. We must, as responsible citizens and parents make the distinction between work and play. It is our responsibility to set the example and ensure that our children return to school on Ash Wednesday.

Once again, have a safe and enjoyable Carnival.

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