



Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

## MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

# MEDIA RELEASE

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Dear Editor / Head of Department,

### **Vacation Revision Programme Begins in 80 Primary Schools Across Trinidad**

Over three thousand three hundred (3,300) students have registered for the Ministry of Education's (MOE) Vacation Revision Programme (VRP), which commenced today, Monday July 10th, 2023, in eighty (80) primary schools across Trinidad.

The VRP Primary runs from Monday, July 10th, 2023 to August 11th, 2023, and caters for students entering Standards Four (4) and Five (5) in September 2023.

Education Minister, Dr. Nyan Gadsby-Dolly, has said, "In 2022, the VRP Secondary was launched, catering for students entering Form One (1). In 2023, the VRP Primary has been added to the MOE's offerings, at 80 Primary Schools under the Ministry's Remedial Education Programme. This is yet another measure to provide additional academic and psychosocial support to our students and parents who need it most. The MOE's After-School Tuition Programme operated at these Primary schools throughout Academic Year 2022/23, and continuity is now offered by the VRP Primary, providing ample opportunities for our students to be positively engaged, and for the mitigation of learning loss, which is still affecting our students, some disproportionately, based on their COVID-19 experience."

A total of three thousand, three hundred and eighty-one (3,381) of an estimated thirty-five hundred (3500) students have registered to participate in the VRP, which will feature classes in Mathematics, English Language Arts and English Language Arts Writing, along with weekly sessions in Dance, Drama and Music. Over 90% of the tutors selected for the VRP Primary are a part of the cohort of over six hundred and 50 (650) teachers trained in remedial teaching of Reading, Writing, and Mathematics by the University of Trinidad and Tobago (UTT) during this Academic Year 2022/23.

Parents of students attending the 80 schools offering the VRP Primary are asked to note that late registration is available until Friday, 14th July, 2023. Classes will be conducted between 9:00 am to 3:00 pm daily, and breakfast and lunch are provided for students. Parents can contact the School Principals for further information.



Parents of students entering Form One (1) are also reminded that registration for the VRP Secondary, which begins on Monday, July 14th, 2023, is open. Physical forms can also be collected at the 33 schools across Trinidad. Further information about the VRP Secondary is available on the official MOE Social Media Platforms, and from the Secondary School Principals.

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