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CIBC FirstCaribbean Helps Schools To Beat The Heat

Bridgetown, Barbados, 03 November 2023 - Some pupils from the Eden Lodge Primary and the Sharon Primary Schools will have a cooler time in the classroom following the installation of some fans.

Michelle Whitelaw, Director Retail Banking Channels at CIBC FirstCaribbean recently visited the two schools, which were chosen because of their proximity to the bank's Head Office in Warrens, to present the twelve fans to the schools' Principals.

"Outside has been so hot recently and with these increased temperatures, we know that the school rooms are going to be much warmer for our children. We therefore decided to help where we could, so we donated six (6) fans each to these two primary schools" stated Mrs Whitelaw.

On accepting the six (6) fans, Principal of the Eden Lodge Primary School explained that they would place the oscillating wall fans in the classrooms on the lower level where there was less air flow. She confirmed that children need a cool environment in which to learn and expressed appreciation for the 'kindness to the children of Eden Lodge'.

Over at the Sharon Primary School, Principal Charmaine Jones, on thanking the bank for the fans, stated that they will do an audit of the rooms and decide where they will install the fans, as some blocks are cooler than others.

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Principal of Eden Lodge Primary Octlyn Straker accepts the fans from Michelle Whitelaw



Principal of Sharon Primary Charmaine Jones, explains where they will place the fans to Michelle Whitelaw and Senior Teacher Oneal Moore.

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