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MEDIA RELEASE

Man, 32, Fined \$700 for School Breaking in Rio Claro, Ordered to Compensate School

A 32-year-old man who was the main suspect in connection with two reports of school breakings and larceny earlier this month was today fined and granted bail by a Rio Claro Magistrate.

ANDERSON THOMAS, of El Guanapo Road, Rio Claro, who pleaded guilty to one of the charges, was fined \$700 or in default three months' hard labour by Magistrate Ava Vandenberg-Bailey. The accused was given three months to pay the fine.

THOMAS was also ordered to compensate the school \$696 in this matter.

In the other charge, **THOMAS** mitigated a plea of not guilty and was given \$1,000 own bail and the matter postponed to January 13th, 2023.

He was charged yesterday with two counts of School Breaking and Larceny by PC Rampersad of the Rio Claro Criminal Investigations Department (CID).

According to police reports, at 8 am on December 8th, the principal of a primary school observed the building broken into and a further check revealed sanitary wares, snacks, two folding chairs and a quantity of toys missing.

On December 12th, the principal again returned to the school and discovered the school broken into and observed a Wyze CCTC missing.

Two reports were made to the Rio Claro Police Station and PC Rampersad and other CID detectives under the supervision of Sgt Maharaj conducted enquiries which culminated in the recovery of a chair and the arrest of one suspect.

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