



My name is Mick Walsh and I am the Principal of De La Salle College Waterford. We learned this morning of the death of Avuzwa Sampo(Idris) This is a terrible tragedy for the Sampo/Irdis families, our school and our community. We are deeply saddened by these events. Our sympathies and thoughts are with his family and friends.

Avuza was a sixth year student who has just completed his Leaving Certificate Examinations. He will be greatly missed by his teachers and staff in the College and his numerous friends who knew him.

We have been in contact with his parents and are aware of their request that we all have an understanding of their need for privacy at this difficult time.

Offers of support have been pouring in and are greatly appreciated. Our school has implemented our Critical Incident Management Plan.

Psychologists from the National Educational Psychological Service (NEPS) have been supporting and advising as we support members of our school community through this difficult time.

The College has opened with many teachers making themselves available to help students/parents deal with this tragic event.

We would ask you to respect our privacy at this time. May he rest in peace.

Thank you.