

# Vandals smash vacated DJSS



Weeds are starting to take over the now vacated Dundee Junior Secondary School premises.

Vandals have systematically destroyed the vacant Dundee Junior Secondary School on Oldacre Street.

The school, which was vacated last year after parents protested against what they said were unsafe conditions at the building, has not been used since last July.

Around 850 pupils are being temporarily accommodated at the Department of Education premises in Forestdale.

At numerous meetings between parents and Department officials, it was said that work on renovating the Oldacre Street school would have started in October 2018.

This never happened. Now the school has been smashed to virtual pieces – corrugated roofing has been removed, toilets ripped out, floorboards removed and electrical cabling destroyed.

Weeds have taken over the courtyard and the school looks in a sorry state, irate parents who contacted the Courier said.

“The Department said they would start in October to fix the school. Instead, it looks abandoned with not even a security officer there. What will it cost now to renovate after all this vandalism?” asked one mother who declined to be named.

Gift Gaysman, chairman of the Dundee Junior Secondary School Governing Body, said the blatant destruction of the school was of great concern.

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