interference with other aspects of teaching and learning. Assistance may be sought from the appropriate members of the QA support teams working with schools. (See ‘Guidelines on ECA in Schools’, 2006).

**Holiday Camps**

Holiday camps are organized for P6 students during August vacations to further enhance the principles and values of a sound education. The camps are organized by the Student Vacation and Exchange Programme Unit of Schools Division, in collaboration with schools and in accordance with established guidelines revised annually by the unit. (See the Unit’s handbooks)

4.10 **After-School Services**

These services are offered free of charge to parents of primary school children, to ensure the safety of children whose parents cannot pick them up directly after school and to assist those children whose parents cannot give them help with homework.

Parents may request such assistance or schools can identify the children who need these services. School management has to maintain a register of staff willing to supervise the groups and organize a roster system. The supervisors must keep records of the students who are looked after. Generally these services are available up to 5.00pm daily, Monday to Friday. (See ‘Guidelines for After School Services’, 2010)

4.11 **School Uniforms**

All students in state primary and secondary schools have to wear uniforms. The type and style of uniforms are prescribed by the Ministry. Uniform materials are procured centrally by the Ministry; primary schools order the required amount of materials to be sold to students at school level. Secondary school students have to purchase the materials directly from the Central stores of the Ministry or from retailers.

Teachers and the SMT must ensure that school uniforms are worn appropriately, in accordance with the specifications of the ‘Code of Conduct for Primary Schools’ (2010) and the ‘Code of Conduct for Secondary Schools’ (2010).

4.12 **Provision of Meals**

Lunch is provided daily for students who wish to avail themselves of this facility, at a minimum of SR 2.00 per meal. Parents, guardians or students can buy a lunch card monthly or termly from the school office.

School management must ensure that:
- The total number of students taking school lunches is established during the first week of term, and a register is maintained of those students. There should be little variance from this number over a term but on occasions when many students are off the school compound, eg on school outings or an occasional holiday, the supplier should be informed well in advance.