

Protest as teacher beats student to death in FGC Kwali

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Students of the Federal Government College (FGC), Kwali, the Federal Capital Territory (FCT), on Monday protested the death of a fellow student, Nuhu Aliyu, disrupting academic activities in the school.

A source identified the teacher as Dorcas Gibson, who allegedly used an iron handle of a bucket to hit the student on his head for failing to do his assignment.

Though, there were different versions of the incident, the college management could not be reached for comments.

Our reporter attempted to

speak with the principal of the college, Dahiru Shehu, but was not successful as security men at the main entrance said no journalist was allowed to enter the college.

Two police patrol vehicles were stationed in front of the college gate with armed policemen keeping guard.

However, sources claimed the college management informed the deceased family that their son died while on admission at Rhema Hospital in Kwali, as a result of cerebral malaria.

"The boy, according to what I learnt, had been sick for some time and he could not come to the class or report to anybody, until

that Monday when he was asked to bring his home work as others were submitting theirs but he (Aliyu) could not and the teacher decided to reprimand him," the source said.

The Etsu of Kwali, Alhaji Shaban Audu Nizazo, told our reporter that he was informed that a student of the college died as a result of cerebral malaria while on admission at Rhema Hospital in Kwali.

He said he was yet to get details about the circumstances surrounding the death of the student, even as he called on the government to provide standard health facilities across all federal

government colleges in the country.

Daily Trust visited Rhema Hospital in Kwali in order to ascertain the cause of Yahaya's death, but the medical director, Dr Mathias Agama Igbemi, declined to speak with our reporter, saying he could not comment on the death of the student until our reporter presents a clearance from the college management, police or family of the deceased.

The spokesperson of the FCT police command, ASP Maryam Yusuf, replied to a text message sent to her to confirm the incident saying, "We are investigating please."