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Electrocution: Boy,14, Electrocuted In Benin

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Tears flowed freely at Oguola Primary School, Benin City, Edo State, when a 14-year-old pupil of the school was electrocuted while serving punishment given to him by his class teacher.

The late pupil whose name could not be ascertained at the time of this report was in the premises of the Father Tansi Catholic Parish on Aburime Street, near New Benin Market, in the state capital, when the incident occurred.

LEADERSHIP learnt that the incident occurred when the class teacher sent the boy out of the classroom at about 10am to cut grass as punishment for a yet to be ascertained offence.

It was further learnt that as the boy was cutting the grass near the statue of the late Fr Tansi when he saw and picked an electric cable off the floor, electrocuting himself in the process.

The shouts from the deceased were said to have attracted those in the church as well as teachers and pupils in the school who rushed to the scene but were unable to save him.

The state police commissioner, Mr. Foluso Adebajo, in a telephone chat, denied knowledge of the ugly incident.

it was only God that could help me and I focused on God and He came through for me," she said.

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