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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to make you aware of an incident involving a secondary school aged child from our local community. The child was approached by an unknown man on Ross Road. The man reportedly asked the child to get into his van. Thankfully, the child refused, sought safety in a local shop and contacted his family. He is now safe.

This is now the second reported incident of this nature in the local area since the start of term. The police have been informed, and we are taking the matter seriously.

At school, we will be holding further age-appropriate classroom discussions to reinforce the importance of personal safety and how children should respond if approached by an unfamiliar person.

Please reinforce the following messages with your children:

- Never get into a vehicle or go anywhere with someone they do not know, even if that person appears friendly.
- It is always OK to say no. Children do not need to be polite to someone if they feel unsafe. They should say no firmly, move away and seek help.
- Go to a safe, busy place, such as a local shop, and contact a trusted adult.
- If they feel threatened or are in immediate danger, shout for help and call 999 when safe to do so.
- Always tell a trusted adult about any worrying encounter.

For children walking to or from school alone, please review their route and safety arrangements. Encourage them to use familiar, busy routes, walk with friends where possible and have a clear plan for contacting you if something goes wrong.

Although incidents of this nature are rare, we must avoid being complacent. We want our children to feel confident and informed, rather than frightened. We ask that you reinforce these messages calmly at home.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us keep our children safe.

Many thanks



Mr R Claxton
Headteacher