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Dear Parents and Carers.

## Re: Stranger Danger

I am writing to make you aware of a safeguarding concern in the local area and to ask you to be extra vigilant when out with the children.

We have just been notified that one of our students was approached by a stranger in our local area (Silver Grey Toyota, Asian man with very scruffy hair, 35 - 40 years old, dark brown eyes, wearing a black Adidas tshirt with a white logo and an American accent). The student involved was approached by the adult on the way to school. Fortunately, the student had the knowledge of how to cope when in danger, and was not hurt. The police and the local authority safeguarding department have been alerted.

Please take this opportunity to review safety procedures with your child:

Avoid walking to/from school alone. Try to walk with a friend who lives locally.

- Don't take shortcuts.
- Don't accept rides from anyone without parent permission.
- Don't talk to strangers.
- If someone approaches you, yell and run.
- Identify a place that you can run to for safety if needed (i.e. a neighbour's house or a public place).
- If something unusual happens to you or one of your friends, tell an adult immediately.

Additionally, please click on the link below where additional support and resources can be found to aid your discussion with your child: <a href="http://www.personalsafetyadvice.co.uk/what-stranger-danger.html">http://www.personalsafetyadvice.co.uk/what-stranger-danger.html</a>

As always, we are available to help in any way necessary to ensure the well-being of our students. If you see anyone behaving suspiciously, please report this to the police immediately and contact the school office.

Kind regards,

James Mole

**Deputy Head Teacher** 













