

24<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

We have been made aware of a suspicious incident that took place whilst children were travelling to school this week and was brought to our attention by a member of the public.

Latest advice from the Police is for students to be extra vigilant when travelling to and from school. In particular, they advise that pupils do not talk to anyone they do not know and do not approach any vehicles with the driver unknown to them; where possible pupils should walk with friends. Pupils should also aim to get home as quickly as possible, especially as the Autumn nights draw in.

**Parents are also requested to advise their children that should they see or experience anything that disturbs them during their travels, they should call 999 in an emergency situation, or if not an emergency, report their concerns to a member of school staff or a parent as soon as possible.**

Whilst it is not our intention to cause panic or distress amongst our community, we do feel it is important that pupils and parents are made aware of the situation. We will be continuing to advise our pupils in school of how to stay safe when travelling to and from school and will advise parents of any further developments as soon as possible.

Should you wish to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of Year.

Kind regards

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