



An Independent Public School

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform parents and carers about a reported incident in the Secret Harbour community over the weekend.

It has been reported that on Sunday 29th Oct 2017 a male person driving a car followed two ten year olds on 'Three Bears Loop' and offered them tic tacs. There was a female passenger in the car. The matter has been reported to police.

In light of this reported incident I urge all children to take care when going to and from school, and to report anything suspicious to their parents, the school and the police.

You can call **13 14 44** to report an incident to WA Police (only use 000 in an emergency) or **1800 333 000** to reach Crime Stoppers.

Here are some suggestions to help your children stay safe:

- always travel in a group
- walk on the right hand side of the road to face oncoming traffic
- wherever possible, leave space between you and the roadway
- stay in areas that are well lit
- stay in view – avoid going into areas that are hidden (such as parkland bush or behind shopping centres)
- be alert – earphones and headphones can reduce your awareness considerably
- if you have a mobile phone, have it turned on and ready to dial an emergency number
- if a passing car stops nearby, never get too close
- run from a situation if you feel at risk
- give this advice to your brothers and sisters, especially if they are younger
- report suspicious behaviour to your parents, school and the police
- if you can get it safely, try to photograph or remember the number plate of the car
- report numbers plates of cars and the clothing or distinguishing features of individuals to police.

To get the latest community safety information from police, visit WA Police on Facebook www.facebook.com/WA.Police or online at www.police.wa.gov.au.

If you have any concerns, please feel free to contact me at school.

Yours sincerely

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