Dear Parent/Carer

The safety of all our students is of utmost importance to me and therefore I endeavour to keep parents and carers informed of anything that may impact on their children's security.

A student from Baldivis Secondary College reported a person acting suspiciously in a vehicle on Norwood Avenue this morning. The matter has been reported to police.

In light of this incident we 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 the Police (and only use 000 in an emergency) or 1800 333 000 to reach Crime Stoppers.

Here are some suggestions to help children stay safe:

- Always travel in a group.
- Walk on the right hand side of the road so they face oncoming traffic.
- Wherever possible, leave space between them and the roadway.
- Stay in areas that are well lit.
- Stay in view – avoid going into areas that are hidden from view (such as parkland bush or behind shopping centres) and plan trips to avoid such locations.
- Be alert – earphones and headphones can reduce awareness considerably.
- If they 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.
- Do not hesitate to run from a situation in which they feel at risk.
- Provide this advice to brothers and sisters, especially if younger.
- Report suspicious behaviour to parents, the school and the Police, noting number plates of cars and/or clothing or distinguishing features of individuals.

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 the school.

Yours sincerely

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