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CHILD PROTECTION ALERT

Dear Parent/Carer

WHEN: Tuesday 5 September 2017

WHERE: Connolly Drive, Butler

WHAT: A male driver in a light gold Ford sedan was seen driving around the local schools at slow speeds observing individuals in a suspicious manner.

In light of this incident, I urge all students to take care when going to and from school, and to report anything suspicious to parents, school and the police – call 131 444 or the local station to report an incident to police (and only use **000** in an emergency) or 1800 333 000 to reach Crime Stoppers.

Here are some simple suggestions to help your child stay safe. Please ask your child to:

- Always travel in company
- Walk on the right hand side of the road so you face oncoming traffic
- Wherever possible, leave space between yourself 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 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
- Do not hesitate to run from a situation in which you feel at risk
- Provide this advice to brothers and sisters, especially if younger
- Report suspicious behaviour to parents, school and the police.
- If you can get it safely, try to photograph or remember the number plate of the car and report number 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,

James Danaher
Principal
5 September 2017