



## Safety Notice to Parents/Guardians 29 July 2009

The following notice was read to Years 8 – 12 students during Form period today.

### Students

We have received reports from the Department of Education and Training regarding two separate suspicious events involving possible abduction and/or monitoring of children in the Ocean Reef area. The following was forwarded to LJBC:

*“A Primary student was approached by an ‘Asian-appearance’ (child’s description) female driving a white/cream/light brown Holden Commodore station wagon. There was a large box and lots of blankets in the back of the wagon. The female said that she would give him a lift and that she had a lollipop for him. The female had an ‘Asian-sounding’ accent (child’s description), dark hair and broken/sharp teeth.”*

*“The second report involved a suspicious car, a white Holden Commodore station wagon... lingering near Ocean Reef High School.”*

Students, please take care to:

- always walk or ride in pairs or small groups
- keep away from parks, bushland or quiet areas where there are no other people
- call your parents if you have changed plans for after school. The House Centre is open every day until 4.00pm and there is a member of the Executive staff on duty until 5.30pm every day
- never disclose personal information such as your name, address, mobile phone number or details of where you will be at any given time on social networking sites eg. Facebook and Twitter
- keep your SmartRider card out of view of others while in public places.

If you are approached by a stranger:

- do not stop or talk with them. Ignore the person and move on. If necessary, go into a shop or ‘safe house’
- while on the train, move and sit next to someone else
- while on a bus, move to sit near the bus driver
- take note of the person’s appearance
- take note of the number plate, colour, make, and model of the car if appropriate
- never accept a lift from a person you do not know very well
- report it to a teacher, preferably a Head of House, and to your parents immediately.

If you feel anxious about getting home after school today, please go to Student Reception or the House Centre and arrange to call your parent/guardian.

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