

December 9, 2024

Dear Families/Caregivers,

I'm writing to you regarding an incident that happened today, December 9, 2024. An A.L. Fortune student has reported that they were approached by a Caucasian male in a white minivan near M.V. Beattie School at approximately 8:15 am. Thankfully, the student responded appropriately by not engaging with the stranger and later shared the information with school administration. The police are aware of the situation and an RCMP file has been opened.

Although the incident did not take place on school property, we feel that it is important that you know about this incident and take this opportunity to review safety tips with your child(ren).

Safety Tips:

- Don't talk to strangers.
- Don't take anything from strangers.
- Don't go anywhere with someone you don't know.
- Stay more than an arm's reach from strangers. If you are approached by a stranger, seek help immediately.
- Trust your instincts, if you feel you are being followed or something is not right, seek help immediately.
- Use the buddy system, avoid walking anywhere alone.
- Review contact telephone numbers and home safety practices.
- When seeking help, always go to a trusted adult – teacher, coach, police officer, other parent, or older siblings.
- If a stranger grabs you, do whatever it takes to attract the attention of others who can help you.
- Report any suspicious activity to your school and police department, immediately.

The safety of our students is always our top priority. We will always take whatever precautions are necessary to ensure their safety. As always, if you have any questions, please contact me at the school.

Sincerely,



Mr. Petr Pospisil  
Vice Principal