



# St Benedict's Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

You may be aware that there have been a number of incidents across south Canberra recently where male strangers have approached school children enticing them to their car or away from school grounds. In each case the children have acted wisely by refusing and moving away from the man.

These unfortunate incidents are a good reminder to us all to help our children understand the importance of stranger safety and the need to report any unusual incidents or approaches to staff immediately.

It is very important that parents report to ACT Policing if you have witnessed any incidents or have any information that could assist Police to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000, or via [www.act.crimestoppers.com.au](http://www.act.crimestoppers.com.au). Information can be provided anonymously. If an incident has just occurred or is occurring, contact Police directly on 131 444 or in an emergency 000.

Please support us to keep our children safe by having conversations about moving safely around the community and what to do if they ever feel unsafe. You may wish to visit <http://www.constablekenny.org.au/> with your children for resources on how they can stay safe in the community.

Our teachers have also been discussing protective behaviours with students both this week and last week.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

Rachel Smith  
Principal