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Dear Parents and Guardians:

We are sending this letter home to inform you about a Stranger Danger incident that occurred on Tuesday afternoon, February 27, near our campus parking lot at approximately 2:45 p.m. While playing after school, two of our students were approached by an older, adult male driving a white-colored van. The male drove up next to the students and offered them candy to get into the vehicle. The students walked away and reported the incident to school officials. The Honolulu Police Department was notified and an investigation is currently underway.

The safety of your children is of utmost importance to us. We are sending this letter to you as a precaution and to encourage you to continue to speak to your child regarding measures to stay safe, specifically about "stranger danger." Please reinforce with your child the following safety measures:

- Stay away from strangers. Do not talk to or take anything from them.
- Don't go anywhere with someone you don't know. Never accept a ride from a stranger.
- Stay more than an arm's reach from strangers. If a stranger approaches you, seek help immediately from a trusted adult.
- Use the buddy system. Avoid walking anywhere alone.
- If a stranger grabs you, do whatever it takes to stop the stranger and yell for help.
- Report any suspicious activity to a trusted adult.
- Be alert of your surroundings and let others know where you will be and what time you will be back.

We appreciate your help as we work together to keep all of our students safe. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our administration at (808) 307-6200.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Keith Hui".

Keith Hui
Principal