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To all Port School Families,

You may have heard that yesterday, at the end of the school day as students headed for their buses, an incident occurred on Carrington Street. A Port School student was hit by a car. The injured student is stable and in hospital, being treated for what appear to be minor injuries.

Many students who witnessed the traumatic event and the on-scene situation afterwards, were visibly shaken, traumatised and upset. Some students were amazing, showing essential leadership skills, engaging in traffic management and supporting other, more distressed students. These individuals are to be commended for their calm reactions and support. This is an outstanding example of how our school community pulls together in times such as these.

We would like to offer any students and their families who may be feeling the emotional impacts after this event and feel they need additional support, to contact the School at their earliest opportunity, to access our Student Support and Counselling Team services.

Port School's OHS Committee will be conducting a full review of the incident. Safety recommendations arising from this review will be implemented in conjunction with local government and Main Roads. We are fully aware that the outcome of this incident could have been so much worse.

As a parent myself, I take this opportunity to ask you to please reiterate to your children the importance of road safety. Carrington Street is a very busy road and the students are often less than cautious with how they cross. So much so, that in recent weeks we have had staff monitors trying to manage these risk-taking behaviours.

Please be assured, that the student involved is doing well and may even be released from hospital today.

Please keep safe.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Barry Finch", written in a cursive style.

Barry Finch  
Principal

20 June 2020