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Dear Parents and Guardians,

There is nothing more important than the safety of our students. For this reason we are informing you that we have received reports that coyotes have been spotted in numerous areas throughout the community.

Students are reminded to be aware of their surroundings at all times.

At school, we will review general safety rules regarding wildlife. Teachers are being asked to share safety tips with students in the coming days. We ask that you take a moment to review safety with your child at home.

To assist, we have compiled the following list of guidelines:

- Avoid approaching or feeding wildlife
- Avoid taking shortcuts through fields, wooded areas and parks
- Always walk with a buddy to and from school
- Never walk alone, especially at night
- Always be aware of your surroundings when wearing earphones

At school, teachers will be reviewing these important messages with all students and, as always, staff will be vigilant in supervision.

For useful information regarding how to manage coyote encounters, check out the Ministry of Natural Resources link below:

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/preventing-and-managing-conflicts-coyotes-wolves-and-foxes>

Sincerely,

J. Knox  
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