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Dear Parents and Carers,

Unfortunately, a student who attends our Sevenoaks Campus was hit by a car in a “hit and run” incident on Friday morning on her way to school. This was a particularly shocking accident, due to the car driver electing not to stop and help the school child they had knocked down. Thankfully her injuries, whilst nasty, are not life altering and we are hoping to see her back in school soon. The Police are appealing for any witnesses to the incident, particularly any who may have dash-cam footage, to come forward.

I would like to thank the friends who supported and helped her, from both Weald and Trinity, and the members of the public who stopped to help, along with Mr Robertson and Mrs Brachet-Smith, who went to assist. We are also grateful for the concern shown by the members of the local resident’s association and Trinity School who contacted us on the day and offered their concern and best wishes. Additionally, I would like to acknowledge the emergency services who attended and cared for her at the scene – and later in hospital.

I liaised with Kent County Council on Friday, as concerns in relation to road safety around the Sevenoaks campus have been raised a number of times and measures were due to be actioned this year. They were able to confirm that plans are underway to improve crossings and pedestrian access, including parking restrictions in key areas. Site visits took place last week and we are expecting letters to be delivered to residents detailing the plans in the next week or so.

This incident was not the fault of the children crossing the road, however it does seem appropriate to take the time to remind your children of the importance of road awareness and I appreciate you taking the time to have this discussion with them at home.

Thank you, as always, for your support and for the best wishes I know you will be sending to the student involved.

Yours sincerely,

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