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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you may be aware by now, on Tuesday afternoon at around 3:45 one of our children, Amelia, was involved in an accident outside of school. She was struck by a police car as she crossed at the lights and the vehicle turned from Willow Lane onto Vicarage Road. Some of our children and parents were on the roadside to witness the event. Amelia was taken to hospital where she is still receiving care for an injury to her leg. We are fortunate that the injuries sustained by Amelia were not any more serious.

It is not the first time that a child from Laurance Haines has been involved with an accident on Vicarage Road. This event is a timely reminder for us all about the importance of road safety. As a school, we continue to build road safety into our curriculum, through classroom work and assemblies. In response to yesterday's events, we have held assemblies and classroom discussions reminding children of how they can keep themselves and others safe when crossing the road.

We kindly ask that you continue to talk to your children about how we keep ourselves safe when crossing the road and where possible walk to and from school with your children. We also ask that you cross Vicarage Road at the pedestrian crossings and the gated area outside school, where Mr Sharkey attends the crossing. Please also remember that parking on the yellow lines poses an additional danger to our children and school community.

We must share our thanks for the quick response of the ambulance crew and the members of the community that supported Amelia in those initial moments after the accident. Amelia and her family would also like to thank everybody for their support. Everybody at school wishes her a speedy recovery and we look forward to welcoming her back to school.

Should you or the children have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask a member of the Senior Leadership Team. We thank you in advance for your continued support of the school.

Warm regards,

Sebastian Gray  
Headteacher

