

# Stranger Smart

## Keeping children and young people safe

# All children and young people in Highland have the right to feel safe.

On a rare occasion if a child/young person is approached by a stranger there may be no cause for concern. However it is important that everyone knows what to do.



## Remember: **SAFE**

#### Someone they trust

Ensure your child knows to share their worry with someone they trust.

**Act early** Don't delay. Contact the Police.

## Feel safe

Children, young people and their families should feel able to talk to someone they trust to make sense of their worries and feel safe.

### **E**veryone's responsibility

It's everyone's job to make sure that we get it right for children and young people.

#### On the way to school

What your child should do:

- Never talk to strangers when not with a grown up. Stay back, stay safe.
- If your child/young person is approached by a stranger, ensure they know to tell a trusted adult immediately on arrival at school.

What the school will do:

- Contact Police Scotland so that they can make relevant enquiries without delay.
- Contact you, the parent/carer.

#### On the way home from school or out and about

What your child should do:

- Never talk to strangers when they are not with a grown up. Stay back, stay safe.
- If your child/young person is approached by a stranger, ensure they know to tell you and/or another trusted adult as soon as they can.

What you should do:

- Contact Police Scotland so they can start making enquiries as soon as possible. Phone 101.
- Contact your school as soon as possible.

The Highland Council Comhairle na Gàidhealtachd



## "Working together to keep children and young people safe"

For further information please contact: Police Scotland - Phone: 101

www.highland.gov.uk www.policescotland.uk

Your child's school phone number: