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Dear families,

This letter is to inform you that we learned of a possible threat to the school community today. The issue related to an emoji used in an online class chat.

Police were contacted immediately upon the school being notified of this message. Students and staff were briefly kept in classrooms so police could investigate. Police determined that there was no threat to students or staff.

HWDSB is now investigating this incident further under our [Student Behaviour and Discipline Policy](#) and will take appropriate action.

I wanted to make you aware of this incident in case your child mentions it to you and to reassure you that there was no potential harm to our school community.

We want you to know that student safety is of the utmost importance at DVSS and we take incidents, such as this, very seriously. If you have any questions, please contact the school.

We thank all parents, guardians and students for their understanding.

Sincerely,

Gail Cipriani
Principal