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Dear Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

Coyotes were reported being seen near our school today.

For the safety of students and staff, students were kept in for both nutrition breaks today.

Animal Control, through the City of Hamilton, was called and they reported a sighting in the morning.

I wanted to share this information with you as a precaution.

According to the City of Hamilton's website, if you or your children encounter a coyote, please take the following steps to protect yourself:

- Stay calm if a coyote approaches you and wait until they move on.
- Shout, clap your hands together or make a loud noise to scare coyotes away.
- Tell your children to stay away from coyotes and other wildlife.
- Call Animal Services at 905-574-3433 to report injured or dead wildlife.

More information about what you can do about coyotes in the area can be found at the City of Hamilton's website at <https://www.hamilton.ca/animals-pets/wildlife/coyotes>.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 905.574.2662

Sincerely,

Nancy Radojevic
Principal