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An 11-year-old primary school pupil died after falling from a moving pick-up van last Thursday at Madalla, Niger State.

A witness said the incident happened at about 2:12p.m. when the boy jumped and hanged on the back of a moving pick-up van.

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He said the deceased was returning home from school with some of his schoolmates when the incident happened.

He said: "The pick-up driver was moving when the boy who was with some of his mates after they closed from school ran and hanged on the tailboard of the pick-up. When the van hit a pothole and the vehicle swerved, the boy fell down and hit his head on the road."

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He said the deceased, who bled from the nose, was rushed to a clinic in the area, by the car's driver on a motorcycle, where he died some few minutes later.

Our reporter learnt that the pick-up van's driver rushed to report himself at the police station at Madalla.

A police officer at the Madalla station, who preferred anonymity, said the remains of the pupil had been handed over to his parents for burial.

He said the driver, who reported himself at the police station, was released on Friday, when the late boy's parents came to the station.



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