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Dear Parents/Carers

Social Media Awareness

We are writing to bring an important online safety matter to your attention. We have recently become aware of large group chats involving students on platforms such as WhatsApp. While we understand that students want to stay connected with their peers, we encourage parents to regularly check their child's phone and discuss responsible online behaviour.

To support students in developing awareness of appropriate online conduct, we will be delivering regular assemblies, incorporating online safety into tutor time and covering this topic in our Personal General Education (PGE) curriculum.

We want to remind parents that many social media platforms, including WhatsApp, have age restrictions (13+ in the case of WhatsApp UK) and are not monitored by the school. Large group chats can sometimes lead to issues such as cyberbullying, inappropriate content and peer pressure. For this reason, we strongly advise students to leave any large group chats that are not necessary for their education or well-being.

We kindly ask for your support in reinforcing these messages at home. Please take some time to check your child's phone, discuss safe online behaviour and encourage him/her to exit any unnecessary group chats. Staying involved in your child's online activity is essential in ensuring safety and helping to navigate the digital world responsibly.

As a school we are committed to supporting the well-being of all students, both online and offline. Thank you for your cooperation and ongoing support in helping us promote a safe and positive digital environment for our students.

Kind regards

Miss Johnson

Head of Year and Transition