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Dear Parents and Carers

Online Safety

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing to raise an important concern regarding students' use of social media and group messaging platforms.

Recently, the school has been made aware of a number of incidents involving inappropriate or unkind messages being shared among students online. While these interactions have taken place outside of school hours, they have had a noticeable impact on relationships and wellbeing within our school community.

We understand that social media and group chats are a normal part of many students' social lives; however, these platforms can sometimes lead to misunderstandings, the sharing of hurtful content, or the exclusion of others.

We are asking for your support in monitoring and guiding your child's use of social media and messaging apps. Please take some time to:

- Talk with your child about responsible and respectful online communication.
- Encourage your child to remove themselves from any group chats that include individuals they do not know personally.
- Review privacy and safety settings together.
- Check your child's phone and online activity regularly.
- Remind them never to share personal information or images online and to report anything that makes them feel uncomfortable.
- Encourage them to speak to a trusted adult if they encounter or witness unkind behaviour online.

At school, we will continue to educate students about digital citizenship, kindness, and responsible online behaviour. We also remind students that behaviour online should reflect the same respect and integrity we expect during the school day.

Thank you for your continued support in promoting a safe, respectful environment - both in school and online. Should you have any concerns or require advice on how to manage your child's online activity, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Michelle Lawrence
Principal