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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Internet Concern – Please action

We have been dealing with a serious incident this week with regards to Instagram which has led to a referral to the CEOP Team (Child Exploitation Online Protection).

It came to light that some of our students had been followed or had been following an alleged 14-year-old boy. On investigating the same, it was found that they had engaged in an on-line relationship with this person and inappropriate images had been exchanged.

Please can we ask that you have a discussion with your child and check that they are not acquainted on social media with any individuals that they do not know personally on a face to face basis. As a school it is impossible for us to Police your child's use of social media.

Could we also remind you that the legal age for social media platforms such as Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat and Twitter is 13 years old. For Whatsapp it is 16 and for Youtube it is 18, although children of 13 can sign up with parental permission.

If you require any more information then please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Safeguarding Team.

With kind regards.



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