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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to you regarding a matter of significant concern that requires your immediate attention and support. The issue relates to the online safety for our pupils.

We have recently experienced an increase in online incidents being reported in school that are deeply concerning. We are finding that children are using social media applications that are designed for users aged 13 and above and are making (and sharing) comments that are hurtful, abusive, and inappropriate. This behaviour is not only harmful to those involved but also creates a negative impact on our school community.

Our children now have, at the touch of a finger, access to the worldwide web via their mobile phones. Many often disappear with their phones to their own bedrooms, where their online activities can go unmonitored. This unrestricted access presents significant risks to their safety and wellbeing.

We strongly urge you to carefully consider your children's access to social media. If you decide that you want them to use these platforms, we implore you to monitor their use regularly to ensure that they are safe and are using these applications appropriately. Regular conversations about their online interactions and periodic checks of their devices are essential steps in protecting them from potential harm.

Our children's safety is paramount and their appropriate use of the internet is a lifelong skill that they need to learn. Technology is not going away and is developing all the time, making it crucial that we equip our pupils with the knowledge and understanding to navigate the digital world safely and responsibly.

As a school, we cannot address this challenge alone. We therefore ask that parents work with us and support us in this vital matter. Together, we can ensure that our children develop healthy, safe, and appropriate relationships with technology that will serve them well throughout their lives.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue and for your continued partnership in keeping our pupils safe.

Yours sincerely,

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