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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Online Safety**

It has come to our attention that some pupils may be using social media platforms inappropriate for their age. We are concerned about the online risks this could expose children to. We have talked to the children in school about online safety and would like to recommend all parents and carers empower themselves with the knowledge of how to keep your child safe online:

- Make sure your parental controls are enabled through your internet provider to block inappropriate or unsafe content
- Do not allow your child to access the internet unsupervised. Be present if they are taking part in video calls or chats, or uploading content online
- Be aware of what your child may be watching if they are accessing your Netflix account
- Have regular conversations with your child about how they use the internet. Discuss safe limits and help them feel comfortable to tell you about anything they see that worries them so you can take action to protect them. Talk to your child about not sharing any personal information online.
- Familiarise yourself with the platforms your child may be using and the age restrictions:
  - Many game consoles such as Xbox 360, XBox One and Playstation 4 are internet enabled. Follow the age rating on the game for suitable options.
  - Beware of hidden photo Apps on IOS or Android phones and tablets
  - TikTok has a minimum age of 12
  - Instagram, Facebook, Messenger, Steam, Houseparty and Google Stadia have a minimum age of 13

We have uploaded guidance sheets for many of these platforms and ways to keep your child safe online to our website at <https://corvuseducation.com/wattonwestfield/letter-to-parents/>

Further useful information is also available from <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/>

Thank you for your support,

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