

Thursday 7th December 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Social Media

In school, one of our main priorities is to safeguard all children. This includes their use of social media sites. Whilst these sites can be a useful tool for communication, we have also been made aware of several incidents that have occurred involving some of our Year 6 children using different platforms.

We have spoken with the children about the need for these sites to be used cautiously and responsibly and that any information posted on them could lead to children becoming upset and potential cyber bullying, particularly if larger groups of children become involved.

We value your immense contribution in ensuring your child's safety whilst online and have therefore included a leaflet with key information for parents about WhatsApp and Snapchat. We trust that you will find this information helpful in supporting your conversations with your child to ensure their safety.

There is much more guidance for parents regarding the safe use of social media platforms. Please browse the following links for more information:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/social-media-guides>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/>

If you would like to discuss this further, please speak with your child's class teacher.

Thank you for your continued support

