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Dear Parent/Carer

We would just like to write to you to share some useful websites and guidance around which apps and social media platforms are appropriate for children and how you can support your children interacting with online content in a safe and secure manner.

Currently the app TikTok is growing in popularity, but this does have an age restriction of 13+ and Net Aware give it a medium risk rating for it's content. We realise that it is sometimes hard for parents to keep up with all the apps and games which are out there, yet they do have the potential to pose a risk to children if used in an inappropriate or uncontrolled manner.

We would like to signpost you to the websites below which provide advice and guidance around these issues.

Internet Matters

Not for profit organisation supported by companies including BT, Sky, TalkTalk, Virgin, Sky, Google and BBC and leading child online safety experts. They offer a wide range of advice and information on tackling online safety issues. <u>https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/ukcis-social-media-guide-for-parents-and-carers/</u> <u>https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/social-media-networks-made-for-kids/</u>

NSPCC

The UK's leading children's charity fighting to end child abuse. https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/

Net Aware

Delivered by O2 and the NSPCC and provides a searchable database of games and apps. https://www.net-aware.org.uk/

KidsnClicks

An independent site run by an expert in the digital/social media arena https://kidsnclicks.com/

May we also take this opportunity to remind you that children should not bring mobile devices into school and that if they are seen with them they will be confiscated and have to be collected by a parent or other adult.

If you do wish for any further support or guidance then please contact the school.

Kind Regards

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