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Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope this letter finds you well.

It has been brought to our attention that some Year 6 pupils have been involved in WhatsApp group chats outside of school, where inappropriate and, in some cases, unacceptable content has been shared. While these groups are not school-managed, we feel it is important to raise awareness of the potential risks and encourage parents to monitor their child's online activity.

As you know, safeguarding our pupils is a priority, and we strongly encourage open conversations at home about responsible device use. We kindly ask that you check your child's phone regularly and discuss the importance of appropriate online behaviour with them.

Due to the misuse of mobile phones, the school has now decided to enforce a strict no-mobile-phone policy on site. This means that, effective immediately, children will no longer be permitted to bring smart phones to school. We previously allowed phones for those who walk home alone, but given the concerns raised, we can no longer accept them in school. If your Child walks home and you would like a conversation regarding this, please contact the School office.

We appreciate your support in ensuring a safe and positive environment for all our pupils. If you have any concerns or would like guidance on how to support your child with online safety, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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'We carry the light of Christ as we love, live, learn and look after each other'

