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Dear Year 5 parents,

A number of parents have mentioned the inappropriate messages and images that are being shared on the Yr5 children's WhatsApp group. Can I please ask that you check the content of this WhatsApp group and other apps to see what messages your child is sharing and receiving.

At this age, children need support and guidance on how to have healthy online/virtual relationships. We will of course cover the basics in school but some of the best learning is in real time and with real life situations, discussing why something is inappropriate, hurtful or could be taken the wrong way.

This comes on a day when the press are reporting Ofcoms warning to social media sites to protect our under 18s from harmful content. Whilst we wait to see what these large corporations like Meta, Snapchat and Tiktok do to change their algorithms and take control of images and content for our children, all we can do is take immediate action and supervise closely our own child's online activity regularly.

Best wishes,

Mrs Hughes