



CHENEY SCHOOL

Think for yourself, act for others

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Dear Parent(s) and Carer(s),

We have received a message from the Oxfordshire Safeguarding Team about a TikTok video that is being circulated. The video/trend is called “Megan is Missing”, and is based on a 2011 film of the same name which is banned in many countries. It has been reported that it is causing significant trauma to those who have witnessed the content of the video. Please monitor very carefully what your child is doing on his/her phone.

I would also like to remind you that the current age requirement for WhatsApp is 16+ although it had previously been 13. This was changed due to new data protection legislation. We are being informed about WhatsApp groups and inappropriate messages being sent between students. Some of these are causing upset to individuals and messages are being sent far too late at night.

Most social media platforms have a legal age limit of 13+. To keep up to date, the NSPCC has a great website called [NetAware](#). You type in the name of the social media platform you are interested in and it will tell you the legal age and details about their service.

We really encourage all students to leave their phones in a communally used room to charge overnight so that they are not in bedrooms.

I enclose a “safety tips for parents” leaflet produced by the National Online Safety, the family safety mode looks really helpful.

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