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Dear Parents and Carers

We have been made aware of serious e-safety incidents taking place involving pupils from another school in West Yorkshire involving the app "live.ly". Whilst using this app, children were joined in their 'group chat' by a stranger who harassed them and showed them explicit images. These incidents have been reported to the police.

Live.ly is connected to the app music.ly, which we know is used by some children in our school. This app has a 'group chat' function which is only supposed to access contacts on the user's phone but it appears that quite quickly, friends of friends of friends are able to join the group chat whom your child does not know. It is therefore an unsafe app for children to use, as it risks children being exposed to unsuitable images or even being groomed online.

We would urge you to ensure that your child does not have access to this app and if your child experiences anything like this online to report this to the police using the 111 number.

We have spoken to all KS2 children today about the dangers of this app and reiterated key e-safety messages.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Yours sincerely

Miss RJ Newman
Headteacher

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