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Dear parents and carers,

Re: TikTok

TikTok is the world's fastest-growing social media app and has been downloaded for more than 3.9 billion times. We are aware that several children in the school use TikTok, whether it's to watch or to create their own TikTok's.

TikTok's age restriction was 13+, children at primary school should not be using this app. TikTok have recently raised their minimum age for livestreaming from 16 to 18. Which means the content is now likely to be even more inappropriate for primary aged pupils.

We have added to latest TikTok guide on our website which can be found in the online safety section, under the Safeguarding page. The updated guide highlights the following risks:

- Age-inappropriate content
- Dangerous Challenges
- Contact with Strangers
- In-App spending
- Addictive nature
- TikTok Now

A link to guide can be found here:

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/56d8b7334d088e67305565d3/t/637f3891b9941d0aa25db687/1669281943718/TikTok.pdf>

As always if you require any further advice on how to keep your child safe online, please do not hesitate to contact the Family Liaison Team.

Kind regards,

Mrs Bone

Lead Family Liaison Officer

Our School Values are: Inclusion, Perseverance, Honesty, Respect, Responsibility and Collaboration.

