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Dear Parents/Carers

In the technological world we live, mobile communications, social media and online services enrich our lives. However, as with all aspects of online activity, we must ensure that we are taking reasonable steps to keep ourselves and our children safe online. The unfortunate reality is that young people are often exposed to apps and online services that adults are unaware of or have limited knowledge of.

Earlier in the year, we launched a new service called Safer Schools. Through a simple, easy to use app, Safer Schools provides you with a range of information, from setting up your child's first phone with restrictions, understanding the range of social media platforms, the steps you can take to protect yours and your child's privacy to scam and malware information to help protect you online.

The app is available on both Android and Apple iOS platforms via the Google Play Store/App Store.



Scan to download Safer Schools App for Android



Scan to download Safer Schools App for iOS

- Install the Safer Schools app and launch it. You will be asked to select the school. As you type in the name of the academy, it will show our school.
- Click continue and it will ask for an Entry Code. This is **7675**

Students also have a version of the app which is tailored to them and offers information and guidance to help conduct themselves safely online. We would strongly recommend that students download the app onto their phone to support their knowledge of online safety. The access code for **Years 7-8 is 3447** and for **Years 9+ is 4898**. The app will also be explained through Tutor time in school.

We hope that you find Safer Schools a helpful tool to aid both your own and your child's online safety.

Yours sincerely



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