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Dear parents and carers,

## **Online safety**

It has been brought to our attention that a number of pupils in Oak Trees have access to Tik Tok.

The minimum age for a TikTok user is 13 years old. While this is great news for younger users, it's important to note that TikTok doesn't use any age verification tools when new users sign up.

As a school, it is not for us to dictate what children are accessing by way of online content at home, but it is important that we work in partnership with parents to ensure that children are safe online. Therefore, please may we ask that you are vigilant in checking what content your child/ren are accessing and that any conflict brought about by engaging with these apps does not have a detrimental effect on peer relationships in school.

A reminder that we have PC Katie Woodhouse, our local PCSO coming into school on **Wednesday 4**<sup>th</sup> **October 2023 at 3.20pm** to deliver an interactive online safety workshop for parents. Please do come along.

Thank you for your continued co-operation.

Sian Mitchell



