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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have been made aware of several social media groups that have been created and are being used by students in your child's tutor group. These social media groups are proving a massive distraction to learning and causing social unrest where student friendship groups have been destroyed and the friction created as a result is now affecting many negatively. All students will be spoken to by Mr Onabanjo and will be warned about the damage this is having.

It is important to remind you that most social media sites have a minimum age restriction of 13 years old due to the maturity needed to navigate the sites. We ask that you talk to your child about social media and remind them that nothing they ever post online in a chat group truly remains private. Depending on the nature of what is posted, sanctions can also be issued by the school and we may involve our Safer Schools Police Officer. This includes videos which are posted online.

It is imperative as parents/carers you are aware of your child's online activity and are monitoring it very closely. [Here](#) is a link from the NSPCC website offering advice on how to do this. Please remember that contracts for your child's phones are in your name and consequently the burden of responsibility of how the device is used remains on you.

Your sincerely

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