



MacIntyre Academies
Quest Academy

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has come to our attention that a highly inappropriate video has been shared on the social media platform TikTok. The video in question shows a disturbing scene and has circulated under various searches and hashtags. It has also extended to all social media platforms including Instagram and Facebook. If you are aware that your child has access to any of these please be mindful that they may have access to this video or have seen it already and also be aware of the age restrictions for social media; none of the above, named platforms should be used by children under 13 years of age.

There are some safety measures that you can implement to ensure your child is not exposed to any inappropriate content;

- Use privacy settings You can safeguard their account by making it private. Within the settings of the app, ensure this setting is ticked. This keeps the account secure from strangers.
- Enable restrictions; in the digital wellbeing section there is a restricted mode that you can enable, using a PIN system. This filters out any age appropriate content. This setting isn't 100% fool proof, so care and vigilance is still needed in monitoring any usage of TikTok.
- Reporting inappropriate content; if you do come across any inappropriate content, TikTok has a feature that allows you to flag and report it. You are also able to block any users you do not wish to see content from.

The above also applies to Facebook and Instagram settings.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as Anna Stelfox-The Safeguarding and Wellbeing lead at Quest Academy, if you have any questions relating to this letter or any general Safeguarding related questions please get in touch. Also, please refer to the School website for Safeguarding information and links to useful websites.

<https://www.thequestacademy.org/page/?title=Safeguarding+Information+for+Families&pid=1096>

With Kind Regards,

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