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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has become clear that some children in Year 5 & 6 have been watching very inappropriate and worrying content via TikTok. The recommended age for TikTok use is 13.

This seems to be around the P Diddy court case currently trending on TikTok. This content contains information about rape, human trafficking, misogyny and coercive, controlling behaviour. What they may have access to via their phones is filtering into school. It is impacting on their learning and on other children's wellbeing.

We are also very concerned about the number of Year 5 and 6 children who are glued to their phones until the gate opens in the morning. Some are arriving very early to sit with their friends outside of school on their phones. At this time the children are not monitored because it is before 8.45am.

It is so concerning that we are considering a ban on phones completely in school.

Police recommend parents and carers check their child's phone on a daily basis. Please consider removing TikTok from your child's phone.

We know they do not access this content in school. It is a parental responsibility to monitor your child's online usage. This includes to and from school.

The thought of children reading, watching and discussing such adult content is so concerning. Some children in Year 5 are not even 10 yet.

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