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Dear Parent/Carer

We have been made aware by the Local Authority Safeguarding Team, who work closely with the police, that WhatsApp groups are being formed and children are being added to the groups without their knowledge. The group content includes:

- Videos of violent fights between teenage children
- Videos showing pornography
- Pictures of cartoons that have been edited and turned into pornographic pictures (Family Guy)
- Messages encouraging violent behaviour i.e. bring your knives.

At this moment in time, we are unaware of the name of the groups, but we wanted to make you aware so that you can be vigilant.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

Mr A Chapman Designated Safeguarding Lead