

## **Ashford Park Primary School**

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1st February 2022



Re: WhatsApp Groups

Dear Year 6 Parent / Carer,

Recently there have been several incidents related to the misuse of WhatsApp. I wanted to inform you that the incidents involved Year 6 children being part of chat groups.

WhatsApp is a chat application which can be used on a mobile phone or tablet, it lets you send messages, images and videos to friends. You can have one to one and group conversations.

This letter is to make you aware that your child may be using WhatsApp without your knowledge and you should be mindful that the minimum age for WhatsApp is 16 or over.

We ask that you carefully monitor what your child is viewing online, and that they are reminded that they must tell you if they receive anything inappropriate or upsetting from any application.

## As a school we strongly advise you to remove your child from these chat groups as we endeavour to keep each and every child safe.

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,

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