

28 January 2025

Dear parents and carers

We have been made aware of a potentially **inappropriate WhatsApp Group** that some Year 7 students are being invited to join called **'Add all the yr7s yk'** (see picture below). Our understanding is that this group is targeting 7s in many local schools, not just Carrington.

We have been informed that the 'admins' on this group are sending messages of a sexual nature and if the number is blocked, they are re-adding young people under a different number. We encourage you to take the time to check your young person's WhatsApp to ensure they are not part of any inappropriate groups.

We will be talking to students in assembly again about the importance of knowing who they are talking to online and to be aware that people online are not always who they say they are; and explaining what to do if they receive inappropriate messages.

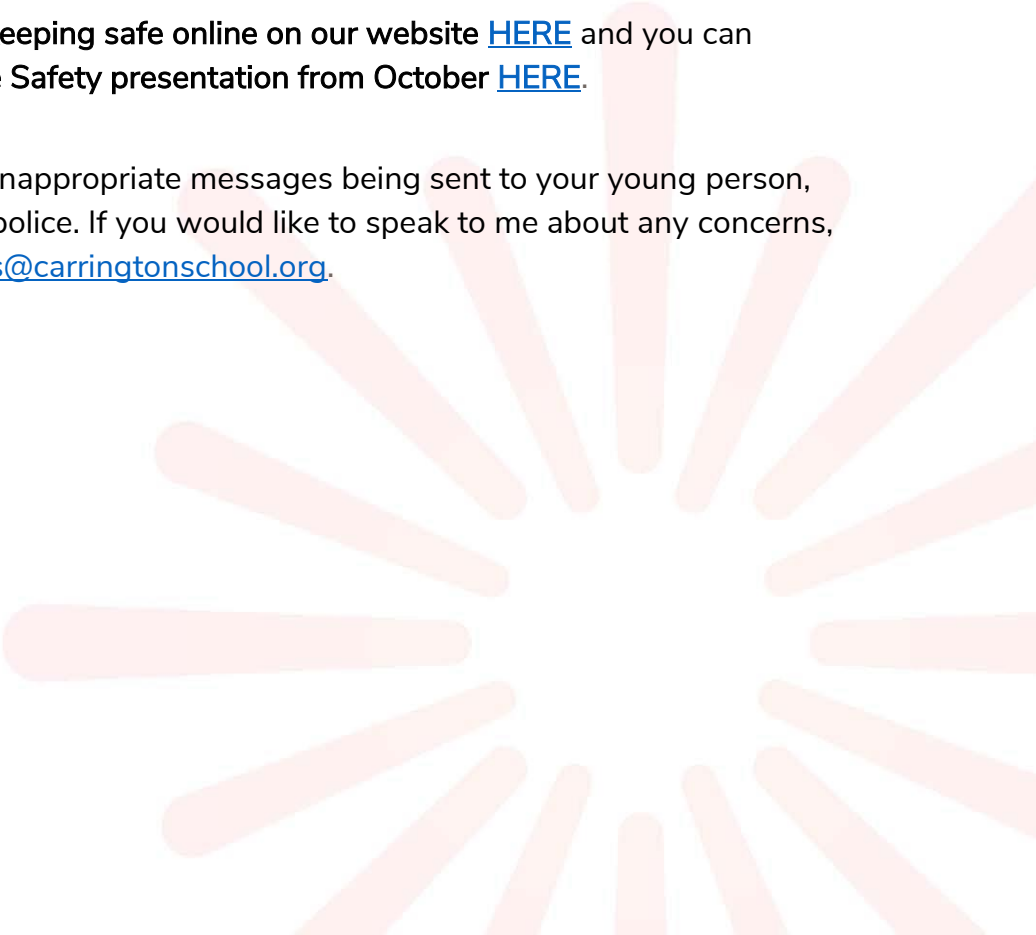
You can find **resources for keeping safe online on our website [HERE](#)** and you can access **Mrs Williams' Online Safety presentation from October [HERE](#)**.

If you are concerned about inappropriate messages being sent to your young person, please do contact the local police. If you would like to speak to me about any concerns, please contact me on sdavis@carringtonschool.org.

Best wishes

Mrs S Davis

Head of Year 7

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