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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Safeguarding concern: TikTok film footage

The local authority safeguarding officer has shared some information with us about a concerning film clip that is currently being circulated on social media and we wanted to make you aware of this.

There is an extremely graphic film clip currently trending on TikTok of a man live-streaming his suicide. Whilst TikTok has stated that it is trying to remove this footage, unfortunately it has already been shared across a number of social media platforms. It appears under fake captions such as 'Look at the pasta I cooked tonight'. This means that children can come across the film footage without searching for it.

We cannot emphasise strongly enough that this film footage is extremely distressing to watch. We urge parents and carers to ensure that their child avoids the TikTok app whilst this film is in such high circulation.

If you have any concerns or believe your child may have watched the footage and you want to talk to someone about this, please contact the school.

Yours sincerely

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