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Dear parents/carers,

We are aware of posts circulating on social media relating to a national on-line trend that appears to encourage violence between pupils. Some of these posts refer to schools in the Bristol and South Gloucestershire area. We recognise that this will be worrying for some families, so we want to reassure you that we are closely monitoring the situation and working with our local partners. Avon and Somerset Police have confirmed that, at this time, there is no intelligence to suggest that these posts relate to any real or planned incidents.

To help keep your child safe, parents and carers may wish to:

- Have open, non-judgemental conversations with your child about their online activity and what they may be seeing or hearing.
- Make it clear that any trend promoting division, confrontation, or violence is unsafe and unacceptable.
- Explain that simply attending or observing organised gatherings can still put them in danger.
- Encourage them to speak to you, a teacher, or another trusted adult if they feel pressured to take part.

Families are urged not to repost or circulate related content, as this can unintentionally amplify the situation.

Further advice and information on anonymously reporting concerns is available at www.fearless.org

You may see an increased police presence in some areas over the coming days. This is being arranged to provide visible reassurance within the local community and includes additional patrols outside several schools. School remains the safest place for children and young people, and we continue to follow our usual safeguarding procedures.

If you or your child have any concerns, please contact us directly so that we can provide support.

- Call 999 in an emergency or if anyone is at immediate risk of harm.
- Avon and Somerset Police non-emergency number: 101
- To raise concerns about a child or young person: Bristol City Council Social Care: 0117 903 6444 – South Gloucestershire Council Social Care: 01454 866000
- Mental health support (Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership): – Adults: 0800 953 1919 – Children and young people: 0800 953 9599
- Online emotional wellbeing support for young people aged 11–18: Kooth.

If you have any questions or would like further reassurance, please get in touch. Thank you for your continued vigilance and support.

Yours sincerely,



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