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Dear Parents/Carers,

**RE: Parental Advice over Momo (threat on all social media and You Tube)**

You may be aware of the risk over the 'Momo' threat that has been widely reported in the news recently.

This is a potential risk to pupils using the internet either unsupervised or whose privacy settings are not set-up to keep them fully protected.

Please talk to your child about their cyber-safety, including from this particular app. The message below suggests simple privacy setting checks that you can do to protect your child from this and other harmful material.

**A simple tip is to turn off 'auto play' on YouTube and ensure that your contact details are hidden on ALL SOCIAL MEDIA APPS. Make sure the 'no fill' option is 'on' within Fortnite and all settings within your Xbox and PlayStation are closed.**

Momo has been around for the last 18 months and is not new. The media have managed to whip up a bit of a frenzy amongst parents. It was originally an app but that has been removed and it is now scary videos that are being distributed via social media including Whatsapp, YouTube and online gaming (live streaming).

Please ensure you monitor what your child is watching on the internet.

Yours sincerely

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