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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to inform you of an important safeguarding concern that we feel it is essential for all parents and guardians to be aware of.

Recently, we have become aware of some potential risks that may affect the safety and well-being of teenagers across the country. While our primary responsibility is to ensure a secure and supportive environment at school, it is equally important that these concerns are shared with you to help protect your child beyond the school gates.

We would like you to be aware of an online safety concern related to 'sextortion'. Please see the attached parental factsheet. We kindly ask that you remain vigilant and encourage open communication with your child regarding any concerns they may have. How you respond to this information will depend on your child's age and maturity.

If you have any questions or need further advice on how to address this matter at home, please do not hesitate to contact us.

The safeguarding team are:

Mr N Burke - Deputy Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead  
Ms K Berry - Director of Pastoral Care for Key Stage 4  
Mr D Last - Director of Pastoral Care for Key Stage 3  
Mr P Simpson - Assistant Headteacher for Personal Development  
Ms L Munn-Smith - Pastoral Support Officer

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Yours sincerely,

**Mr N Burke**  
Deputy Headteacher

