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Dear Parents/Carers

As part of our Internet Safety day we have been made aware of children using the ROBLOX app. Many of the children had either played it or were aware of it.

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PLEASE SEE MESSAGE BELOW FROM KENT POLICE.

Warning: We are putting out this post following our visit to a school yesterday. As most people know we are concerned about the popular app ROBLOX which is by far the most popular game played by children from 5 to 10 years of age. We were talking to a very large group of Year 1 students and we were shocked when over half of them said they were playing ROBLOX. When we spoke to Year 2 at least 70 percent of them were playing the game.

Most of these children then disclosed that they had online friends in ROBLOX that their parents didn't know about. It got worse when many of the children stated they had received many in game messages from 'strangers' and that they hadn't told their parents. All of the children then stated that they had seen 'naked' characters walking around the game and that the characters were doing very adult things.

The inappropriate content has been disclosed to us thousands of times by young children but we were previously unaware that the children were being sent numerous messages. When talking to Year 3 students they suggested that a lot of the messages are inappropriate. In all cases the children aren't telling their parents.

We would advise every parent/carer to check their child's ROBLOX account and look to see if they have friends that they do not know.

We would also ask parents to check the child's in game message inbox to check if they have been receiving inappropriate messages.

PLEASE CAN EVERYONE SHARE THIS LETTER SO THAT PARENTS/CARERS KNOW TO CHECK THEIR CHILDS ACCOUNT.

Yours sincerely

Mrs D Reynolds Head Teacher









