

Re: KH/EBG/FS/Netflix Series Adolescence

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Important Advisory: Netflix Series Adolescence

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are writing to bring your attention to the recent Netflix series *Adolescence*, which has gained popularity among young viewers. While the series explores themes relevant to teenagers, we would like to highlight a particular section involving the use of emojis, which may raise concerns regarding online safety and communication among pupils.

The emoji segment of the programme portrays the use of symbols in a way that could be misinterpreted or encourage inappropriate digital behaviour. As children often engage in online conversations using emojis, it is important to ensure they understand the meanings behind these symbols and use them responsibly.

To support your child in navigating digital communication safely, we recommend:

- **Having open discussions** about the series and its portrayal of emojis.
- **Encouraging responsible online behaviour** and reminding children that emojis can sometimes carry unintended meanings.
- **Monitoring digital interactions** to ensure their online conversations remain appropriate.
- **Educating children about online safety**, including how to seek help if they encounter uncomfortable situations.
- **Ensuring parental controls are activated** on internet-enabled devices to help filter content and provide a safer online environment.

To assist you further, follow the link <https://bit.ly/3RsaIEW> for a **Hidden Meaning Glossary**, which provides a breakdown of all emojis used in the series and their possible interpretations. We encourage you to review this with your child to ensure they understand how emojis can be perceived in different contexts.

We appreciate your support in guiding pupils to make safe and informed choices online. If you have any concerns or would like further guidance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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