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Social Media Trend

Dear Parents/carers,

You may have seen recent media coverage about an online trend referred to as 'School Wars', where social media posts encourage confrontation between pupils from different schools.

At present, there is no evidence to suggest this is connected to our school or our pupils, nor is there any specific information indicating planned activity involving our pupils. However, we ask that you speak with your child about not sharing, forwarding or engaging with any related posts, not attending any gatherings linked to this trend, and reporting any concerns to a trusted adult. Please remind them that involvement in violence, disorder, or sharing harmful content can lead to serious school sanctions and potential police action.

It is vital that parents, carers, and most importantly pupils remember we are both a Telling School and a Listening School.

In school, we educate pupils about online safety and criminal risk through our curriculum, assemblies and pastoral support, ensuring they understand warning signs and how to seek help. Safeguarding is most effective when school and home work together, so we encourage you to continue these conversations at home, checking in regularly, knowing who your child is with and where they are going, and maintaining appropriate oversight of online and social media use.

My Leadership team will continue to supervise pupils at the end of the school day and maintain a visible presence in the community. If you have any concerns, please contact us via postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk or 0121 366 6600.

Thank you for your continued support in keeping our children safe.

Yours sincerely,

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