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Dear Parent/Carer,

You may be aware of social media posts circulating regarding so-called “School Wars”, where various schools nationally are being named for organised “meets” and young people are being encouraged to fight and, in some cases, bring weapons.

At this time, **RCS has not been mentioned or directly linked** to any of these posts. However, we feel it is important to make you aware of the situation so that we can work together to keep all students safe.

Advice:

- Check your child’s phone, especially any social media apps they may use. Review privacy and security settings on your child’s phone to reduce exposure to harmful content.
- Talk to your child about what they see online and the risks involved.
- Parents/carers are strongly encouraged to know where their child is after school. Students should not attend any location circulated in connection with “School Wars”.
- Parents should encourage their child not to share or circulate screenshots or videos of any of this social media content. Sharing these posts, even in warning, can draw further attention and increase their online visibility.

We take the safety and welfare of students seriously, both at school and within the wider community. We do not want to draw any unnecessary attention to this trend, but we do feel it is important to keep families informed about safeguarding-related issues that gain momentum online.

Please see this news article online for further advice.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/clyzqd42x9do>

Yours sincerely

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