



Safeguarding briefing, September 2018

Mrs Griggs, Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead,

Dear all,

From time to time the Safeguarding team at Our Lady of the Angels will provide an update to keep you aware of safeguarding news and issues.

As you are hopefully aware from the Newsletter, the Safeguarding team consists of Mrs Harding Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mrs Corline Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead and myself to ensure we keep everyone safe and happy at Our Lady of the Angels.

At the start of this term all staff undertook level 2 training led by Mrs Harding to ensure everyone is confident about the responsibilities we have. One of the areas covered was online safety, which is an area where we have to be consistently vigilant and make sure that our children are aware of the risks and what is safe practice.

The following website UK Safer Website Centre provides lots of excellent support to ensure you can help your child stay safe online.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers>

Current digital trends that we thought you should know about:

1. In Cheshire the following has been reported concerning Whatsapp text messages (see below) Clearly the advice from the police is something that you should talk to your children about.
2. Yellow is a mobile app. It has been referred to as being like 'tinder for kids.' In this app you can swipe left or right when you see a picture of someone to indicate if you like them or not. Here is a useful youtube guide for parents so that you can be well informed and keep your children safe.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hxWe35fLQAO>

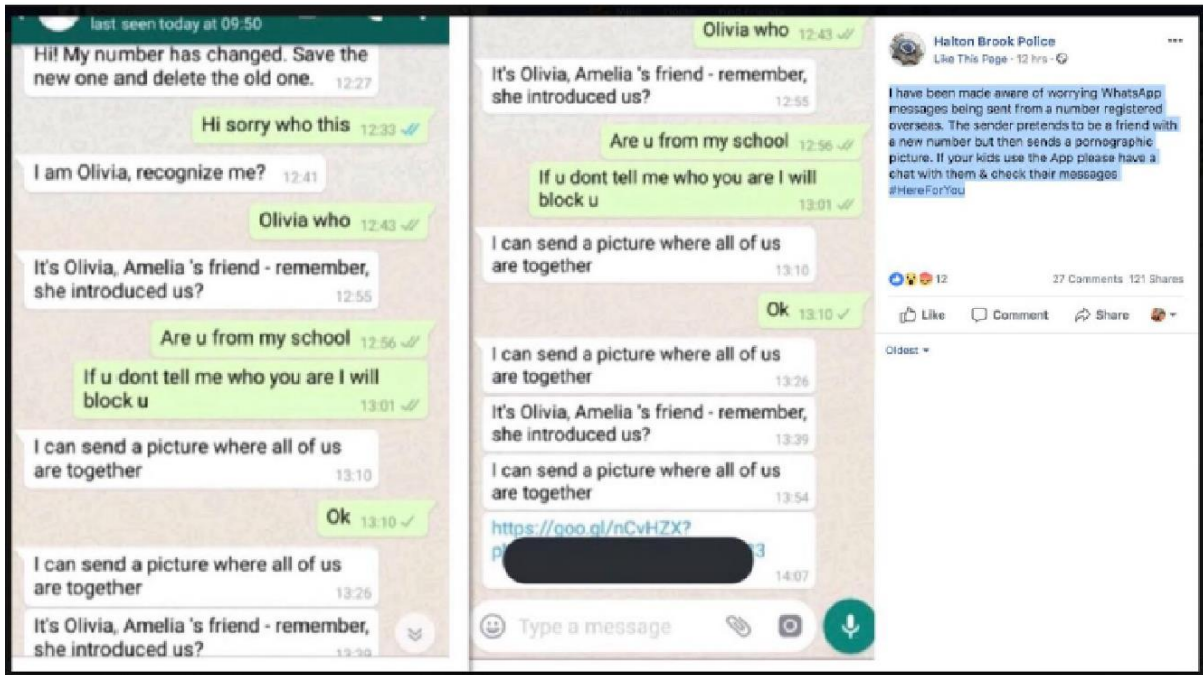


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Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Primary School is committed to safeguarding children.



Halton Brock Police Station: 'I have been made aware of worrying Whatsapp messages being sent from a number registered overseas. The sender pretends to be a friend with a new number but then sends a pornographic picture. If your kids use the app please have a chat with them and check their messages.'