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Dear Hadley Phase 2 Parents,

Help Your Child to Use Social Media Safely

I hope this email finds you and your family well.

I am writing to ask for your support in tackling some inappropriate use of social media, particularly TikTok.

Various forms of social media are used widely by many of us, and it is a great way to connect to friends and family, as well as sharing information and ideas that are of interest to us. In fact, there appears to be an App for just about anything! Most of the ways that we interact with this are positive and helpful, but occasionally posts can be harmful, unpleasant, or even illegal.

As parents, it is important that we are aware of our child's online presence, the accounts they hold and who they are in contact with. For some social media accounts, parents can also use the family pairing feature. This setup allows parents to link their accounts with their children's profiles to manage privacy settings and parental controls. It's also worth remembering that for most accounts such as TikTok, users should be at least 13 years of age and some children will have multiple accounts on the same platform.

- **Here is some useful information about setting up [FAMILY PAIRING](#)**
- **Here is some additional information for parents [HERE](#)**

I regret to say that recently I have seen a few posts that have been quite unpleasant. Therefore, if it transpires that Hadley students are involved in posting inappropriate content, I will not hesitate to impose serious sanctions and involve the police where necessary.

If you have any further questions about this, please contact your child's Head of Year in the first instance.

Thank you so much for your continued support.

Kind regards,



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