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Dear Parent or Carer

Recently we have experienced issues which are due to use of social networking sites such as FaceBook. Students have been using these sites inappropriately and then arguments continue when the girls are in school. On more than one occasion, the police have been informed about cyber bullying and they will be monitoring these sites.

P.C. Dave Thomas Our Safer Schools Officer, from Thames Valley Police has been into assembly to speak to the students, and is particularly concerned that many of the students involved are legally too young to be using these sites as they clearly state minimum ages. Users of FaceBook have to be aged at least 13 years old. What is also concerning is that students have falsified their details to obtain access to a FaceBook account which is a criminal offence.

We would point out that's it is parents responsibility for ensuring their daughters are not using FaceBook or similar sites if they are under age, also to monitor the content of to ensure it is not inappropriate. We will continue to advise parents to report cyber bullying to the appropriate authorities. I look forward to your support and co-operation in this matter.

Yours faithfully

V Angus  
Headteacher