



The Clarendon Academy

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Dear Parent / Carer,

Police message to schools re. indecent video going viral

As some of you may have seen in the press there has been an indecent video containing children that went viral recently. The children in the video are not from our local area or school. However, some local secondary school students have already seen the video and it may be shared further via social media as many young people nationally viewed the video through social media; particularly Instagram and Snapchat.

This issue is being dealt with by our local police force and Salisbury Police have circulated the following message to schools in relation to this matter:

"Recently an extreme sexual image has been circulating on Instagram; if you receive this message, delete it immediately and inform your parents or a teacher – do not store it on your phone or tablet and do not send it on to friends. If you do either you will be committing an offence under Section 1 of the Protection of Children Act 1978 of making or distributing indecent photographs; this offence can carry a maximum sentence of 10 years imprisonment"

Firstly, please can you be aware of this situation and secondly, I ask that you talk to your children about what they must do if they receive the video. If they do receive the video or have viewed it, then please follow the advice above or phone the Police and report the incident.

Yours faithfully

Tom Nolan
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