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Dear Parents/Carers

Below are a couple of reminders for the new year, to help keep our young people safe.

**Social media age restrictions**

All social media platforms have legal age restrictions. This is partly because young people under 13 cannot legally consent to their data being shared, but also to ensure that their users are able to navigate what can be a hostile and difficult environment. The current UK age restrictions are below:

What is the minimum age for UK account holders on these social media platforms?

13	16
Facebook	Vimeo
Instagram	Telegram
Snapchat	Tumblr
TikTok	
X (formerly Twitter)	
Pinterest	
Twitch	
Reddit	
Messenger	
Discord	
Skype	
YouTube	
WhatsApp	

All platforms have the facilities to block other users and report bullying or offensive comments.



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## Electric scooters

We have become aware of an increased use of electric scooters in the community. Currently electric scooters are only legal to be used on **private land** in the UK. It's **illegal** to use them on pavements, in roads, cycle lanes and in pedestrian-only areas. The police can and do seize electric scooters used illegally. Because of their speed and lack of noise, they can also pose a danger to pedestrians and to the people riding them.

Thank you for your support in ensuring that they are not used in public areas, to help keep our young people safe.

Yours sincerely

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