



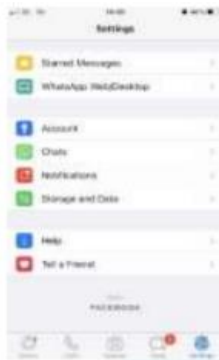
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Dear Parents/Carers,

We wanted to make you aware that WhatsApp have recently changed their privacy settings. From today, anyone outside of your contacts is able to join a group that you are a part of when using the app. We are aware that many children use this app to contact their friends and we have concerns that this change could have major safeguarding implications as anyone could ask to join a group that your child is a member of. You can however rectify this problem by following the steps below:

1. Go to settings.

2. Select 'Account'



3. Select 'Privacy'



4. Select 'Groups'



5. Tick 'My Contacts' to change it from everyone



We hope that you find this information useful. If you have any questions regarding this matter or any other online safeguarding concerns, please contact any of the senior leadership team through the school office.

Yours sincerely

Mr T Hinkley
Headteacher