



Oaklands School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Digital filtering and monitoring

Digital filtering and monitoring technology can play a vital role in helping schools to adopt a whole school approach to safeguarding. It helps to facilitate the safest space possible for students to learn and thrive. At Oaklands School our Governors have a legal obligation to ensure that digital monitoring technology is up to date and that the infrastructure is in place for the Safeguarding Team to be alerted to risks both on and offline.

As we know some risks can be out of sight of parents/carers, the Safeguarding Team and school staff, especially those risks online.

Effective digital monitoring plays a vital role in identifying and managing a young person's exposure to these 'hidden' risks. We have recently been reviewing our monitoring systems and have purchased an improved package which will help us to spot such risks before they escalate. It will help us to detect problems, and be in a position to support many more students from potential harm, including those who had not previously been shown to be at risk.

The enhanced monitoring package uses artificial technology to identify concerning online indicators and alerts designated staff. The alerts include relevant context with recent web searches and site history, enabling staff to quickly understand the situation and take action. This new enhanced level of monitoring will support us in our proactive approach to student safety.

If you have any questions around the above, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office.

Yours sincerely

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Deputy Headteacher
Designated Safeguarding Lead



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