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Dear Parents and Whanau,

It has come to our attention that some students have been accessing inappropriate videos with adult content using links through other sites. We understand that at the end of some videos of people playing online games, there is an option to link to other sites. These sites are blocked from direct access on our school server, but we understand that some students have gained access at home and at school through the additional links.

We have spoken with all students in the team and have reminded them about their responsibilities to keep themselves safe and what to do if they come across content that is not appropriate. We have advised the students to close anything they do not think suitable, and to immediately let an adult know what they have seen. They have been advised not to share links with others.

We have also been working with our IT support providers and have checked our systems to close any loopholes through the school server.

We are asking you to please check your children's device history and discuss with them about accessing inappropriate material both at home and school.

We have included some links from Netsafe NZ to use if you would like further information. We have also attached the agreement signed by students at the beginning of the year regarding internet usage.

Please feel free to email me if you need further information.

Kind regards

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Associate Principal

<https://www.netsafe.org.nz/parenttoolkit/>

<https://www.netsafe.org.nz/byod/>

<https://www.netsafe.org.nz/parent-awareness-child-online-risk-harm/>

<https://www.netsafe.org.nz/distressingcontent/>

