



# ST. PAUL'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY (N.C.) SCHOOL



Dear Parents,

It has come to our attention that some children are accessing online applications which are unsuitable for their age group when outside of school. In this particular instance the app is **Music.ly** where it has been reported that children at St Paul's are sending inappropriate and rude messages. This app has a recommended age rating of 12+ and therefore should not be used by the children without supervision.

As with all forms of social media, the messages that the children are sending may be viewed by strangers and unintended parties. The children have been repeatedly reminded about the importance of their own online safety as well as the importance of being respectful online. As the safety of our children is the school's top priority, please ensure that your children are using these applications safely and sensibly.

Please see below a list of applications deemed unsuitable for primary school children:

<b>Not recommended – may be used at home with parent permission</b>			
Clash of Clans Clash Royale			
<b>Banned apps (So far....)</b>			
9Gag After School AskFM Blendr Burn Note Chat Roulette Clash of Clans Down Dubsmash Facebook Fake a Text Frontline Commando Grinder	Hot or Not iFunny Instagram Kik Messenger Line LinkedIn Meet Me Music.ly Omegle ooVoo Palringo Pinterest Pixel Gun 3D	Poof Puff or Blow Skirt Reddit Roblox Samurai Vs. Zombies Defense Secret SimSimi Skout Snapchat Tango Tinder Tumblr Twitter	Vaulty Viber Vine Voxer WhatsApp Whisper YikYak YouNow YouTube (unless supervised by an adult at all times)

The internet is a great place for children to be, being Share Aware makes it safer. Just like in real life, children need our help to stay safe online. Teach children to be #ShareAware with the NSPCC and O2 by visiting <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/share-aware>

Parents and young people can also get practical information on how to stay safe online at: [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

Please refer to this website for support on restricting access to an ipad: <https://support.apple.com/en-gb/HT201304>

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to come and speak to me.

Yours sincerely,  
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