

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

We have been made aware of the following on-line game through social media. Please can you ensure your children/young people are aware of the potential dangers and do not get drawn into the 'game'.

The 'Momo Challenge' is played online and spreads through social media and is similar to the Blue Whale game that went viral last year.

Players are challenged in stages to complete dares which escalate to being encouraged to self-harm and the final challenge to commit suicide.

The game is being played by children of all ages; what is concerning is the app is targeting young children through WhatsApp and kids YouTube and the visual character is very sinister looking and threatens the children not to tell adults or something bad will happen to them.

As a school we regularly deliver on-line safety training for our pupils and will be revisiting this advice again with pupils in light of the above. Attached is an advice sheet for parents providing actions you can take to protect your children.

If you have any concerns regarding your child's safety please do not hesitate to contact school for our support.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. M. Fishwick  
Acting Headteacher