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Dear Parents and Carers,

Important information - Online Safety

We are writing to make you aware of an online safety concern that has recently been brought to the School's attention.

It has come to our notice that an individual posing as a ten-year-old child has been attempting to persuade children from The Discovery School to admit them into online chat rooms associated with Roblox and other online games that children may play. As such, we felt it was important to share this information so that parents and carers can remain vigilant and support children to stay safe online.

To reassure you, the School has been working with Childnet and will be delivering additional lessons this week focused on online safety, with particular emphasis on staying safe whilst playing interactive online games. These sessions will reinforce key messages around privacy, appropriate online behaviour, and what to do if something does not feel right.

We would also strongly encourage you to speak with your children at home, both to reinforce these messages and to reassure yourselves that they have not interacted with any individuals claiming to be children outside of The Discovery School community.

We kindly ask that you remind your child:

- Not to accept friend requests or chat invitations from people they do not know in real life
- Never to share personal information, photographs, or passwords online
- To tell a trusted adult immediately if an online interaction makes them feel uncomfortable or unsure

Please find attached a parent information sheet regarding online safety while using Roblox. In addition, below is a link to a short, age-appropriate cartoon that may help support conversations with your children about staying safe whilst playing online games:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wh1porjSbBw>

If you have any concerns about your child's online activity, or if you become aware of anything that you feel the school should know about, please do not hesitate to contact us so that we can offer support and guidance.

Thank you for your continued cooperation in helping us keep all children safe, both in school and online.

Kind regards,

Miss T Gobell
Headteacher

