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Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Monitoring of the school's digital environment: eSafe**

Samuel Ward will commence monitoring of the school's digital environment from 25 February 2020. This monitoring will be carried out by **eSafe** who currently monitor over 1500 schools and colleges across the UK.

eSafe is the only monitoring solution to combine intelligent detection software, expert human behaviour analysis and dynamic threat libraries to identify a range of safeguarding risks.

The range of safeguarding risks that children may potentially face is broad with mental health issues being particularly prevalent, but incidents are rising across all categories.

It is now a statutory duty for schools to monitor their digital environment in order to identify any potential threats to a student's welfare and wellbeing.

From 25 February 2020, **all school owned devices** will be continuously monitored for safeguarding risks.

If students and staff use a school owned device outside of school, the device will continue to be monitored when it is both online and offline.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Kind regards

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