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Dear Parents / Guardians

It was great to see so many of you this morning and to welcome all of our children back after the six weeks holiday. Typical that we are now facing a heat wave after six weeks of rain!
The reason that I am writing this morning is just to highlight an issue around a website that we know some children are accessing. The website is called Omegle and it is definitely not a safe site for primary school children to use.

Omegle pairs users up with complete strangers to chat by text or video. There is an “adult” section that can easily be accessed by simply clicking a button on the screen, which can lead to very inappropriate content. BBC reports have highlighted serious safeguarding issues with the site and we have heard of inappropriate use of it too. This site is definitely not an appropriate or safe one for primary school children.

I am attaching a link to a site that informs you all about the dangers of primary school children using Omegle: <https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/news-blogs/what-is-omegle-what-parents-need-to-know/>

You may also be interested in the following site, which gives step by step parental controls guides that will help you to set up the right controls and privacy settings on the networks, gadgets, apps, and sites your children use to give them a safer online experience: <https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/>

If there is any way school can help with any online safety issues then please do contact us.

Kind regards

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