

## REF: Online TikTok situation

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to make you aware of recent social media posts circulating online which appear to be encouraging violence between young people connected to local schools.

I would like to reassure you that the school, the police and our wider safeguarding partners are fully aware of these posts and have been working closely together to assess the situation and take appropriate action to mitigate any potential risk.

As a precaution, you may notice an increased police presence in and around the school, particularly at the beginning and end of the school day. This is purely a proactive measure to provide reassurance and ensure the safety of our students and the wider community.

We would ask parents and carers to speak with their children about responsible use of social media. In particular, please encourage them not to share, repost, or engage with posts that promote or incite violence, as doing so may contribute to harm and could potentially lead to criminal offences under online safety legislation.

If you have any information that may assist the police, please contact them on 101. If you believe a crime is happening or there is an immediate risk to safety, please call 999.

The safety and wellbeing of our students remains our highest priority, and we will continue to work closely with our partners to monitor the situation and respond appropriately.

By working together—schools, families, the local authority and the police—we can ensure that our community remains safe and that young people are protected. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



*Derby City Secondary Headteachers (on behalf of all Derby City secondary schools)*

*and Derbyshire Constabulary*

