



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has come to our attention that many of our Year 2 children and possibly Year 1 are using the app 'Roblox'.

This app is a popular game which is for 8-10 year olds and it allows users to explore virtual worlds in what looks like a Lego game.

To use this app the children need to create an account and input their personal details. This then allows them access into the virtual world. In this world they are then able to make online 'friends'.

There has been some publicity in the news and on social media about this app and I need to bring the concerns to your attention.

Many of the children seem to be playing the game online with friends from school which is fine. However it is possible for them to accept friendships from other people that they do not necessarily actually know. These 'friends' are then able to message them directly within the game.

Through the app the children are also able to speak directly to their 'friends' using a set of headphones. These headphones are just normal ear pods that would come with the device.

Some of our Year 2 children have been meeting up online with school friends and we have no reason to believe that they are chatting to anyone else or people they do not know. However you need to be aware that this could be a possibility.

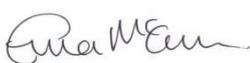
I would advise all parents /carers to check their children's accounts and ensure all their friends are children they know and that you are happy for them to play with.

In school Miss Ellis and Mr Broomfield will be speaking to all the Year 2 children about this app and the importance of ensuring they only play with and accept as 'friends' people they actually know.

We will also be delivering safety sessions next week promoting how to stay safe online and teaching all children about safety during our safer internet day.

If anyone has any concerns then please come and speak to myself or your child's class teacher and we will do our best to help.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Emma McCann'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

E McCann
Head Teacher