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Warning: Inappropriate Content

Dear Families,

We have been informed of an issue with the popular children's book series 'Spy Dogs.' Some of these books contain a QR code that directs readers to a site/domain which has been taken over by a third party now hosting adult content.

We have been informed that only specific editions of the Spy Dog book series contain QR codes or URLs that originally led to a safe website but have recently been compromised. The domain linked to these QR codes is now controlled by a third party hosting inappropriate adult content, which is not affiliated with the author or publisher. As a result, the publisher Puffin and author Andrew Cope have ceased the sales and distribution of these books and are taking legal action to have the site removed.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers of key online safety messages and that:

- Parents/Carers and schools should talk to children about online safety and the importance of telling trusted adults if they see something that makes them worried, scared or upset.
- Parents/Carers should supervise their children's online use and ensure they have the appropriate parental controls, filters and monitoring in place.
- Parents/Carers and schools should advise children to not use QR codes or websites until they have been checked by an adult.
- Parents/Carers and schools should follow any guidance or updates from the publisher.

Yours sincerely,

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