



PHILIP MORANT

SCHOOL & COLLEGE

Update extra / Tik Tok / SNL / jr
4th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been aware for some time of the national Tik Tok craze trying to set up school wars between different schools.

We had received communication from Essex Police about their response and [their letter](#) can be found here. The advice from Essex Safeguarding was to only share this letter if parents raised concerns.

We discussed our 'in school' response yesterday to the latest information shared which is the flyer/poster listing blue teams and red teams and naming various schools. Our in school response includes the management of our gates and the presence of staff at the end of school.

As of yesterday, this had not been mentioned in our school at all. Sharing of this information on facebook last night on community groups has caused staff, parents and students to be concerned today.

Sadly the information shared by others on social media is often not at all helpful to young people's wellbeing and we continue to encourage students to make wise choices about what they see on social media and not to respond to dares or trends.

Any engagement in any action of this nature falls under the authority of the school in terms of behaviour outside of the school gates that affects the good order of the school. Therefore, should we identify that any students are involved in person, or online as part of this threat, or bring any dangerous items into school we will manage this under our behaviour policy in school. This would be treated as a serious breach of the school's behaviour policy.

We have received no information that suggests there is anything planned to happen at our school. If you or your child becomes aware of any specific information please encourage them to use our yellow form reporting system or please email safeguarding@pmsc.school.

It is really important that we are able to separate rumour from information.

We are working with Essex Police and will pass on to them any information we receive.

It remains our assurance to you that we are here to keep your children safe. The biggest way we can do this is to keep calm about this situation and support our children in how to stay safe by not engaging in this action.

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Thank you for your support in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'S Neill'.

Mrs Neill
Headteacher