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## Stockland Green School

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Dear Parents / Carers

**PLEASE BE AWARE THERE IS A HIGHLY GRAPHIC VIDEO OF A MAN LIVE STREAMING HIS SUICIDE CURRENTLY TRENDING ON SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS, SUCH AS FACEBOOK, TIKTOK, INSTAGRAM, WHATSAPP AND YOUTUBE.**

The incident occurred on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020, and Social Media sites are still trying to remove all clips of the incident. The video is also being spread widely via TIK TOK under false and misleading titles, some as trivial as 'look at the pasta I cooked tonight', meaning children could come across the video without searching for it.

The video is severely distressing. We urge parents, carers and students to avoid such Social Media platforms until the video is fully removed.

If you or your child has witnessed the video and require support, please contact one of the Mental Health Service providers below:-

Calm Zone:- <https://www.thecalmzone.net/>

Kooth:- <https://www.kooth.com/>

Heads Together:- <https://www.headstogether.org.uk/>

Mind:- <https://www.mind.org.uk/> <https://birminghammind.org/>

Papyrus:- <https://www.papyrus-uk.org/>

Samaritans:- <https://www.samaritans.org/>

Young Minds: <https://youngminds.org.uk/>

The UK Safer Internet Centre also has advice for parents on what to do if you child sees something upsetting online, which can be viewed at <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/blog/advice-parents-what-do-if-your-child-sees-something-upsetting-online>

Alternatively, if you wish to speak to someone at school, please contact the school via the House Inbox system

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Yours faithfully,

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