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Please ask for: Rick Bolton
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Date: 3rd May 2016

Dear Headteacher

You may have seen, or heard of, a letter from Golborne High School to parents regarding a risk posed by an adult male using Snapchat to contact children in Wigan and other parts of the country.

I'd like to reassure you that Greater Manchester Police have taken the appropriate steps and that the individual in question has been identified. The account has been frozen and the risk that this individual presents at this current time is being managed whilst investigations continue.

However, we are all aware of the possible dangers posed by Social Media and we would recommend that you make parents aware of the Net Aware website that explains the risks of a number of social media websites. There is a link to Net Aware on our WSCB website <http://www.wigan.gov.uk/WSCB/Parents-and-Carers/Internet-safety.aspx> or you can find it at <https://www.net-aware.org.uk>.

If you'd like any support around this important issue, please don't hesitate to contact the Board on the following number 01942 486025 or email wscb@wigan.gov.uk.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Kingston", with a horizontal line underneath.

Dr Paul Kingston
Interim Independent Chair
Wigan Safeguarding Children's Board