Dear Parents/Carers

Following on from a pilot transition project in the spring and summer term with Halton schools, the Archdiocese of Liverpool is inviting all our Key stage 2 pupils to join Gobubble for free.  This was they can still connect with each other over the summer but in a completely safe and child friendly way.

In case you aren’t aware Gobubble is a social media platform for children UNDER 13’s and has a huge amount of safeguarding features to protect children.  All posts by children are moderated using AI and real people and the whole focus on the platform is to increase kindness and support for each other.  For example children are rewarded in gobubble for the likes they give out and the comments and interactions they make – rather than measuring their own value on the number of likes they receive.  There are lots of groups for them to join based on their interests and events running most days such as Tune Tuesdays ( dancing lessons with a west end star)  Trivia Thursdays ( quiz) and and E-sports sessions plus many other activities for them to get involved in.

If they are engaged in SAFE social media that is fun and engaging, but kinder and completely safe, then they may refrain from joining LESS regulated and more harmful popular social media outlets until the legal age they are supposed to join.

We are kicking this all off with a partner mini project - Support Up this Summer.  Aimed at surrounding our children with positive messages in support of other people.  Please see the information below.

**Support up this summer**

We know how kind children are. We’d like to help give them a voice to help to support up Rashford, Sancho and Saka after the vile hate they’ve been victim of this week.

ALPSIT, together with our friends at GoBubble, are giving all pupils the opportunity show their support for the players this summer in our “Support Up” campaign.

Using the code 843413, parents can join at the website GoBubble.School for free and register their child/children. The kids then can share their messages of support for Rashford, Sancho and Saka, as well as other people, and these will be collected and passed across to the players via their representatives.

Together let’s show that hate cannot win. Plus the kids and schools sharing the most messages of support will receive a special certificate showing how they’ve supported the players at this difficult time.

To help parents here’s more information (a SHORT training video): [bit.ly/GBSupportUp](http://bit.ly/GBSupportUp)

**Additional Information about Gobubble**

**GoBubble is a safer, healthier and kinder way for children to connect and collaborate**

GoBubble’s CEO is a former Police Sergeant, Henry Platten, who is a recognised international speaker on online safety and safeguarding children.

As parents, the team members know the great sensitivity and importance for protecting children. The sophisticated moderation software checks all content before it appears (text, emoji, photo, video and, even audio). It is designed to identify any inappropriate content and stop it before it appears.

The GoBubble system and processes have been independently checked by a safeguarding expert. Furthermore, The Chief Constable of Greater Manchester Police has publicly said “Young people use social media to talk to each other and it's really important they're able to do so in a safe environment. As a social network, GoBubble is just that, a bubble where children are given all the fun of social media, in complete safety.” The GoBubble human moderators (who all have DBS clearance), can review the messages to ensure the software is working as it should to protect the safety of all children.

* GoBubble is free to join and is creating a safer digital experience for children - driven by students and teachers.

* It rewards the likes students give.

* Teachers and parents have said children have stopped using Instagram and Snapchat because they favour GoBubble… also that their overall screen time has decreased since using it.

* It is better than social media as it doesn’t sell data to others and parents can control when GoBubbleSchool switches off at night.