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Dear Parents and Carers

As you may have heard in the media recently, there is quite a lot of discussion about British/American ex kickboxer and social media influencer Andrew Tate.

He has thousands of followers on TikTok with many of us first learning about him on television when he was arrested in Romania .

We are aware that a number of our older boys have spoken about Andrew Tate in school and seem to be influenced by what they have seen online/in the media and possibly see him as an inspirational character and a role model which is worrying. As a school, we believe it is important to educate our children on the facts so they understand and can make good judgements.

In order to address this, we will show the children some slides and discuss some of the things that Andrew Tate has said. All children in Years 5 & 6 will have this input and we hope it will help them to understand the facts about this high profile character. Of course there are many children who will not have heard of Andrew Tate and this is good but we feel that it is a good opportunity to address certain issues in our Personal, Social, Health Education lessons. The lesson will, of course, be age appropriate.

Tate's views about women have been described as extreme misogyny and we will be explaining the term 'misogyny' to the children in a simple manner.

If parents would like more information, the following link is a BBC Breakfast piece that you can listen to. It may provide you with some more information before you speak to your child.

Click below to listen to Rick Edwards, presenter of BBC 5 Live Breakfast, for a conversation he had with a school governor who discovered his son was a fan of the controversial online influencer. How did he start a dialogue with his child, and what does he recommend to start unpicking the influence one man has had over his family?

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p0dvw90b>

If you have any questions or queries, please come and see us. We would like to thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Biss & Mrs Forster

Head of School & PSHE Lead

