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Dear Parents/Carers,

We would like to bring to your attention to an online game called MoMo.

MoMo is a sinister looking female avatar that is part of a game. It is understood that the child may need to create an account to access MoMo fully. MoMo gives instructions to the players as part of the game. The game eventually results in the avatar suggesting that the person takes their own life.

Even without the game downloaded, MoMo references and images can be found on sites such as YouTube and through search engines, so an awareness of what your child is doing online is essential in protecting them. There have been recent reports that some seemingly innocent videos on YouTube (such as surprise eggs and fortnight videos) have been edited to include violence provoking material with the MoMo avatar.

In agreement with the NSPCC, we strongly recommend that you speak to your children about keeping themselves safe online and you may also want to check your parental controls and search histories. Many excellent tips and guidance can be found on the NSPCC's website on how to do this. These can be accessed at [www.nspcc.org](http://www.nspcc.org). On Facebook, there is also a resource 'EST E-Safety' which can give you, as parents, excellent tips to keep your child safe online.

I have attached with this email an information leaflet about MoMo from the site.

Kind regards,

Samantha Williams  
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