## **TikTok Investigating Anorexia Videos**

It is no surprise, horrendous as it is, to see this type of video on TikTok. Spend any time on any social media platform and you will find inappropriate/harmful content, it isn't just TikTok. Over the last few weeks I was commissioned by the NSPCC to re-risk-assess all the apps and games on their **<u>Net Aware</u>** website and whilst I was familiar with most of the apps previously, spending lots of time on the apps exposes you to all sorts of content and conduct.

Whatever the rhetoric you hear from these tech companies, you, me and parents cannot ever rely on technology to mitigate risk

You can read more about the TikTok investigation **<u>HERE</u>**.

## Tips for Parents - in-game chat

As the holidays approach, many children will be spending more time online and many will be having fun gaming and chatting to their friends online. As a professional, remember one of the key principles of children and gaming: the majority of children use gaming for socialisation over and above the actual game. It's one of the reasons Fortnite, COD, PUBG and other games are so popular.

CEOP released a YouTube video back in August that might be useful for some of your parents. It's only 38 seconds long so if you use social media in your school (e.g. Twitter, Facebook) share the link, or you could link to it from your school website where there is other useful information for them.

The YouTube video is **HERE**.