

# Haydock High School

## E-Safety Information – Update to Snapchat

A part of the latest update to the popular Snapchat app is a feature called 'Snap Map'. This feature that is **automatically enabled** can track your location unless you disable it. This means that anyone that you are linked to on snapchat can locate exactly where you are, which building you are in and your exact whereabouts within the building.

If you pinch the screen, your location will be shown. To disable this 'feature' you need to click on the settings button (the cog) whilst on this screen and tick the option 'ghost mode'. This will then be disabled.

As a school we consider part of our safeguarding duty to advise you of this latest update to ensure that you remain safe when using social media as we are aware that some students have snapchat contacts who are not close friends or family and in some cases are unknown.

This information is also on the school website and your parents/carers will be informed via a SMS text message.

