Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Edible Drugs

As a school we are aware of the concerns raised recently about **edible drugs** and this being promoted on some social media platforms such as Snapchat and Instagram.

As you may be aware, cannabis can be mixed into cakes often called 'hash brownies', tea, yoghurt or sweets (gummies/lollipops). The amount of cannabis in these products can vary greatly and sometimes other harmful drugs are added too.

The effects of consuming edibles are unpredictable and it can be very easy to accidentally take a larger dose.

Edibles take between 1-3 hours to have an effect because food is absorbed into the bloodstream through the liver. This can lead to the user consuming larger amounts of the drug while thinking the drug isn't working, leading to overdose and further harm..

We ask that you **monitor food packaging/ wrappers** at home, looking for wording such as CBD or THC suggesting the items are cannabis oil infused. Please be mindful of the medical needs should your child present with any symptoms, or if it becomes apparent they have consumed a drug laced substance. Children can react differently, ranging from feeling drowsy to appearing hyperactive.

If you are made aware of any social media accounts advertising these items, we ask you report this information to the Police, School or Crime Stoppers so work can be done around these accounts due to the dangers Edibles present.



Packaging that could be confused with other commonly used food items.



Above you will see some examples of what some of the sweet packages look like and also have attached the link to Frank which gives more information and laws surrounding Edibles. www.talktofrank.com/drug/cannabis

Yours sincerely,