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Safer Internet Day: Tuesday 8th February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we are focussing on using the internet safely as part of our school computing theme. This year's theme is **All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online**. Now, more than ever, we need to understand the importance of a safer internet for all. We are online more than ever before; connecting with others as our use of online resources has broadened considerably since Covid began almost 2 years ago. We will be holding assemblies for both KS1 and KS2, and this will highlight the importance of respect and building relationships with others either online or as a continuation in person. We will also focus on online identities and how these come across in gaming.

We will remind children the importance of keeping your personal information (such as your full name, age, address and school name) to ourselves. We know we never give people any details about ourselves and we do not talk to people we do not know online or in games.

Finally, we will highlight the importance of feeling safe and happy when online. Wellbeing is more important than ever, so we want everyone to be aware of what to do if they do not feel happy or comfortable with the interactions going on online. We know we need to tell an adult immediately if there is something or someone online, which makes us feel sad or uneasy.

If you would like to learn more about using the internet safely for your family at home, please visit www.saferinternet.org.uk or ask your child to log into their **Purple Mash** to find out more. You can download parent packs with fun activities, questionnaires and advice highlighting the importance of internet safety.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Darling
EYFS Class Teacher