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Tuesday 7th February 2023

**INTERNET SAFETY DAY**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today is Internet Safety Day and is a time to remind ourselves that there are innumerable challenges that we face to keep our children safe online.

With children having greater access to tablets, laptops and phones outside of school, we increasingly see the challenges that you all face at home in keeping your children safe online. Indeed, this can often manifest itself in how children’s relationships are affected in school – due to the online chatrooms and gaming that they participate in at home. These are often a great way for children to communicate, but there are obviously elements that are a little hazardous and things that we can all do to keep our children safer when on the internet.

I had a chat with some of the children today and their concerns ranged from cyberbullying, to scams, to others saying things behind their backs, to a general FOMO (Fear Of Missing Out). These are all genuine concerns for our young people that will not be going away any time soon so please do have a chat with your children about this as relevant and take a look at the websites below if you feel they may be of use. We’ll be taking to children about this tomorrow too and perhaps later in the week also

If you have any questions or require any additional support, please do not hesitate to ask.

Yours sincerely,

***Mr Simon Parker***

Headteacher

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