ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER

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Staying Safe Online This Summer

As we head into the **summer holidays**, many children will be spending **more time online**—playing games, watching videos, chatting with friends, and exploring new apps. While **technology offers many benefits**, it is important that children know **how to stay safe** and make good choices online.

Here are a few simple ways families can help:

Talk regularly about online activities. Ask your child what games they enjoy, who they talk to online, and what they are watching. **Keeping conversations open** helps children feel comfortable coming to you if something worries them.

Check privacy and safety settings. Many apps, games, and devices have settings that can **limit who can contact your child and what content they can see**. Spending a few minutes reviewing these settings can make a big difference.

Remind children not to share personal information. Names, addresses, school details, passwords, and photos should only be shared with **trusted adults** and not shared online.

Encourage kindness online. The same rules for being **respectful and considerate** apply online as they do in real life.

Know how to get help. Remind children that they should tell **a trusted adult** if they see something upsetting, receive an unkind message, or are asked to do something that makes them uncomfortable.

Most importantly, **enjoy technology together** where possible. By staying involved and talking openly, we can help children have a **fun, positive, and safe summer online**.

We wish all our families a happy and safe summer break!

Cyber Ambassador update

As another school year comes to a close, our Cyber Ambassadors have **created another podcast** – this time with top tips for staying safe online over the summer holidays. You can find this podcast on our school website. Perhaps spend some time with your children and listen to it together before **having a discussion about the tips**. An open dialogue can go a long way in creating positive online experiences for the children.

I'd like to say a **massive thank you** to all of our Cyber Ambassadors for this year. Their hard work and enthusiasm has been wonderful to see and they have been very helpful throughout the year!

Applications for our new group of Cyber Ambassadors will be sent out to Key Stage 2 children in the new year! Please keep a look out for this if your child is interested in applying!

Online Safety Top Tip

One of the best ways to stay safe online is to **never share personal information**. Remind children that their full name, address, school, passwords, and photos should only be shared with trusted adults. If someone online asks for personal details, children should stop the conversation and tell a parent, carer, or trusted adult straight away.