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Safer Internet Day 2022 – 8th February 2022

Safer Internet Day 2022 is being celebrated around the world today. In school we held a special assembly for KS2 yesterday and today and tomorrow all KS1 and KS2 classes are doing special workshops with Mary from the Camden Learning Centre as well as classes discussing online safety throughout the week – we cover this topic throughout the year but have a special focus around this annual event.

The global theme this year is **‘fun and games’** with a focus on how young people play and communicate in the online world. Everyone has their part to play in making the internet a better place, including **you as parents.**

Have a look at the tips below from the UK Safer Internet organisation to help you as parents navigate this topic. There are a wealth of links on their website to support you (<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2022/advice-for-parents-and-carers>).

Top Tips for Parents and Carers

Have a look at the tips and links below with some suggestions on how to get you started and help you to stay safe and positive online. You and your family can #PlayYourPart in creating a better internet by...

Having conversations without judgement.

Whether by playing games, watching videos, or doing things your child enjoys, spending time together online is a great way to start conversations about the online world and how they're finding being a part of it.

It is important to ask questions and take an interest in what your child enjoys online.

An essential part of having this open dialogue is to not judge, even if their behaviour or life online isn't what you wanted or expected. This ensures that your child feels they can come to you if ever they make a mistake or experience a problem online.

Knowing where you can learn more about their favourite apps and games.

Websites like Common Sense Media or The Family Gaming Database can be invaluable sources of information. When your child starts talking about a new game or app, why not do some research into the reporting and blocking options available? Then you can help your child if they come to you with an issue.

Getting support if things go wrong.

There are lots of organisations who are there to support you and your family if something has gone wrong. The [Report Harmful Content website](#) can help you with issues such as cyberbullying, impersonation and threats. You can report worrying behaviour towards children to [CEOP](#). Find out more on [Childnet's Get Help page](#).

Reassuring your child that whatever happens online, you are there to support them.

Let your child know that the best way to address any problem they have online, is to tell a trusted adult immediately. For example, this might include someone sending them a friend request; an online message; telling them to visit a specific website, or app; or asking them for their personal information. Reassure them that if anything happens online that they are unsure about, or makes them feel worried or upset, they can come to you for help.

NSPCC – there is a brilliant workshop for parents and carers to help keep children safe on gaming platforms available to watch on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YO6Ux7qfYXk>



You can also find more information and useful links on 'Online Safety' on the school website at:

<https://www.fleet.camden.sch.uk/learning/subject-information/online-safety>

If you have any questions or want a chat or advice about anything to do with online safety and/or your child's use of the internet and gaming please don't hesitate to speak to their class teacher who will do what they can to support you.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don M°Gibbon".

Don M°Gibbon
Head Teacher