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Dear Parents/Carers

Today marks **Safer Internet Day 2021**. Safer Internet Day is a global campaign to promote the safe and responsible use of technology, which calls on young people, parents, carers, teachers, social workers, law enforcement, companies, policymakers and more to join together in helping to create a better internet.

Using the internet safely and positively is a key message that we promote in our school and celebrating this campaign is a great opportunity for us to re-emphasise the online safety messages we deliver throughout the year. Most of the activities we will be participating in will take place during the first week back at online school after half term (due to the short week this week) and these will include assembly in form time and remote activities in timetabled PSHCE lessons.

We would be delighted if you could join us in celebrating this event by continuing the conversation at home. To help you with this, you may be interested in downloading the free Safer Internet Day Education Pack for Parents and Carers which is available at: saferinternet.org.uk/sid-parents.

There are also [top tips](#), a [quiz](#) and [films](#) which you can use at home with your child. Some other resources which you may find helpful in supporting your child online are:

- Advice for parents and carers from [Childnet](#)
- Tips, advice and guides for parents and carers from the [UK Safer Internet Centre](#)
- Guides on popular apps and games from [NetAware](#)
- Reviews and information about games, apps, TV shows and websites from [Common Sense Media](#)
- Help on using parental controls and privacy settings from [Internet Matters](#)
- Information and reporting of online grooming or abuse from [CEOP](#)

Online safety is an important issue which as a school we are committed to teaching our students about, particularly during these current times when children's screen exposure is much higher than usual.

If you have any concerns or questions about keeping your child safe online, please do get in touch with their form tutor or head of year.

Yours sincerely

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