

Wednesday 2nd February 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Safer Internet Day 2022

On **Tuesday 8th February** we will be joining schools and youth organisations across the UK in celebrating **Safer Internet Day 2022**. 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 St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School, and celebrating Safer Internet Day is a great opportunity for us to re-emphasise the online safety messages we deliver throughout the year. Some of the activities we'll be participating in on the day include:

- Safer Internet Day Assemblies
- Age-appropriate lessons in class
- Sharing Top Tips for 3 – 7 years and 7 – 11 years and other resources with parents/carers
- Quiz (Key Stage 2 pupils)

Our Year 6 Digital Leaders are working closely with me this week to prepare for this very important day and will take a lead role in ensuring this year's focus on being respectful online is shared from Nursery to Year 6.

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

There are top tips, quizzes, 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:

- Tips, advice and guides for parents and carers from the [UK Safer Internet Centre \(saferinternet.org.uk/parents\)](https://saferinternet.org.uk/parents)
- Advice for parents and carers from [Childnet \(childnet.com/parents-and-carers\)](https://childnet.com/parents-and-carers)
- Reviews and information about games, apps, TV shows and websites from [Common Sense Media \(commonsense.org\)](https://commonsense.org)
- Help on using parental controls and privacy settings from [Internet Matters \(internetmatters.org/controls\)](https://internetmatters.org/controls)
- Information and reporting of online grooming or sexual abuse from [CEOP \(ceop.police.uk\)](https://ceop.police.uk)

If you have any concerns or questions about keeping your child safe online, please do get in touch with your child's class teacher or one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads (Mrs Wilson, Mrs Hough or Mrs Waine).

Kind regards,

Mrs Wilson

Headteacher