Dear Parents

Safer Internet Day



Yesterday was Safer Internet Day – an international event. 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 school, and celebrating Safer Internet Day was a great opportunity for us to re-emphasise the online safety messages we deliver throughout the year. Some of the activities we participated in included:

- Class assemblies about gaming online
- Hearing about Digi duck's dilemma when using technology
- · Designing our own avatar
- Identifying symbols and emojis used in online gaming and conversation
- How we respond to others' messages in gaming.

To help you in supporting your children online 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)
- Advice for parents and carers from Childnet (childnet.com/parents-and-carers)
- Reviews and information about games, apps, TV shows and websites from Common Sense Media (commonsense.org)
- Help on using parental controls and privacy settings from Internet Matters (internetmatters.org./controls)
- Information and reporting of online grooming or sexual abuse from CEOP (ceop.police.uk)

Online safety is an important issue which as a school we're committed to teaching our pupils about.

"We were learning about what messages you should send and what messages you shouldn't send. If someone has to leave the game early you should respect their decision." - Juliet, Year 6

"We learnt about the dangers of buying stuff with real money in online games." - Imogen, Year 6

"We learnt about how you should never give information to people you don't know in real life online." - Anna, Year 6

"We have fun on computer and video games but we need to be safe about text messages and anything that feels scary to you. You should take a screen shot, block it and report it to an adult." - Arthur, Year 3

'Digi-duck should have asked his Daddy.'- Delilah, Year R

'We must ask for help with our games.' – Max, Year R



If you have pre-school children and like the sound of St Peter's School then why not contact us to find out about the application process? Telephone 01962 852820 or email admin@st-peters.hants.sch.uk.

Best wishes

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