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Dear parents and carers,

Keeping Your Child Safe Online

As we return following the Christmas break, we know that Santa may have brought to children who are very lucky, lots of wonderful electrical gifts such as: Nintendo Switch, X-Box series X and S, PlayStation 5, iPads, mobile telephones, tablets, laptops and much more. Obviously, these pieces of amazing technology are fun and can also be used for education purposes - for example, TT Rockstars and accessing MS Teams.

We are sure that you agree, that once 'online' with their own device, it is essential your child is safe. Therefore, we wanted to share some e-safety advice. Please monitor carefully what your child is accessing. The recommended user age for TikTok, Snapchat, Instagram and Facebook is **13**. The World of Warcraft is 12. Children under the age of 13 **should not** have a YouTube account. These age restrictions are to protect young children from potentially viewing inappropriate content or uploading content that puts them at risk. The age restrictions are also in place to protect children as, given their age, they may not fully understand the risks of these sites.

Over the past five years, as a nation, our mobile data usage has increased ten times. Therefore, it is more likely children will access online content via their mobile telephones. The risk with this type of access is there are less, and sometimes no restrictions or filters, unlike when at home and certainly when using the school broadband.

Below are some weblinks to great websites, all designed to keep your child safe when online.

Simply by clicking on the links below you will be directed to specific information; or access the full website for lots of useful information.

Family activities around social media

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>



Safety cards

<https://oursafetycentre.co.uk/>



Social media guides

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/>



Starting a conversation about online safety

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk>

Parent and carers toolkit

<https://www.childnet.com/>

NSPCC



Other useful resources

CEOP

<https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/>

National Working Group (NWG)

<https://www.nwgnetwork.org/for-parents/>

Parents Against Child Exploitation (PACE)

<https://paceuk.info/>

Educate Against Hate - Advice on anti-radicalisation

www.educateagainsthate.com/parents/

Advice on keeping children safe can also be found on our school website,
www.tmpf.staffs.sch.uk

We hope you find the above information useful, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact a member of staff.

The whole team across The Moorlands Primary Federation (TMPF) wish you and your loved ones a very happy and peaceful New Year.

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