



EDENFIELD C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

Monday 29th January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Online Safety Workshop for Parents

To coincide with Safer Internet Day, we have organised an online safety workshop for all parents and carers which will be led by LEA Computing Consultant, Nigel Kirkham. The workshop will take place on Monday 5th February at 6pm, via Zoom, and should last for approximately one hour. The Zoom link will be posted on Google Classroom just ahead of the event and we will text parents to confirm the link is ready. Staff will be here in school to assist with any technical difficulties should these arise.

The workshop will cover a range of topics such as:

- Online communication
- Online behaviour
- The impact of the online world on mental wellbeing
- Tips for parents on managing this ever challenging online world

We hope that the workshop will provide you with more in-depth knowledge about how to keep your children safe online as well as the confidence to have conversations with your children about parental controls and the need to supervise their online presence.

Having access to online information and the functionality that the internet can offer has many benefits and, for the most part, it plays an important part in our everyday lives. However, as technology moves on at such a pace it is difficult to keep up with new trends and developments, particularly with regard to mobile devices, games technology and safe accessibility to online content.

Young people are spending more and more time online and recent evidence indicates that issues relating to exploitation, manipulation or abuse are adding to concerns regarding online safety. Research now shows that life online can also have an impact on wellbeing and in some cases contribute to mental health problems.

Safer Internet Day takes place on Tuesday 6th February. Throughout the week, special lessons will take place in school focusing on how we can keep ourselves safe online. These sessions will be in addition to the computing curriculum which also covers this topic on a regular basis.

Please note that this event is intended for parents and adults only and **is not** suitable for children. The children will access the information required during school lessons.

We do hope that you will be able to attend this informative workshop and look forward to welcoming you on the day.

Yours faithfully,


C. L. Garner