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Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to remind our parents to be vigilant about what your child/children view online at home. The online world gives us access to a huge amount of information, however, not all content is appropriate for children to watch. Setting up parental controls allows you to block and filter upsetting or inappropriate content. They work across your WiFi, phone network, individual apps and devices.

We take safeguarding our pupils very seriously and online safety is a part of this work. There are several ways in which we educate our pupils to be safe online.

- The Sheffield Online Safety curriculum
- Our PSHE curriculum
- Internet Safety Day annually (8 February 2022)
- Online Safety rules parent and pupil agreement

We have also had our local community police into school (Friday 11th February) Gary Hazim and Sujata Kaladigi to introduce themselves to our pupils. We will be working with them on future projects as another way in which to educate our pupils about being safe in the community and online.

We have attached some online safety information for your guidance so that you can work with school to ensure all our pupils are safe at home. There are also several websites that have useful information about how to protect your child at home.

<u>www.childnet.com</u> <u>https://saferinternet.org.uk</u> <u>https://www.nspcc.org.uk</u> https://www.getsafeonline.org

We do really appreciate you working with school to reinforce the messages we are saying about keeping safe online.

Kind regards Cath Thomas Headteacher

