



Hollybrook Junior School

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Dear Parents / Carers,

E-SAFETY

Keeping children safe online is one of our key priorities at Hollybrook Junior School. E-safety forms a significant part of the computing curriculum in school. As the internet is used so frequently in modern society, children are accessing the internet for a wide variety of reasons, from research to communication and social media. As a school, we are dealing with an increasing number of issues between children which have originated online. It is our collective duty to ensure that children are shown how to access the internet safely and know what to do if they are uncomfortable with anything.

For this academic year, we have devised a new e-safety curriculum designed to make children aware of the importance of being safe online. Across the school, children will learn about communicating online, how to use technology responsibly and how to recognise acceptable or unacceptable behaviour. This curriculum will be delivered by class teachers. In order to reinforce the important e-safety messages, we would appreciate you spending time discussing with your child what they have learnt in school.

It is important that we work together to ensure children are using the internet responsibly and they feel confident in letting adults know when they feel uncomfortable about something online. As a staff, we have recently had training about e-safety and we have been shocked about what we have learned about 'digital footprints'. It is our duty to inform parents of recent developments regarding e-safety and so we are putting on parent e-safety workshops on **Wednesday 4th October** and would like to see as many of you as possible at these workshops. They will be run by Dylan Wrixon, Hamwic's Family Support Manager, who works closely with the school on e-safety.

So that as many people as possible can attend, Dylan will be running the workshops three times during the day – **9am, 2pm and 6pm**. He will be providing updates on the latest technology used by children and how you can support your child with being responsible online. Please indicate on the slip below which time is most convenient to you. Once we have a better idea of numbers, we will let you know where the workshops will take place.

In the meantime, if you would like any further information about e-safety, the following NSPCC link provides lots of helpful advice and guidance.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Thank you for your support with this important issue.

Miss Alderson
Deputy Headteacher

REPLY SLIP

PARENT E-SAFETY WORKSHOPS – WEDNESDAY, 4TH OCTOBER 2017

Parent/Carer's Name:.....

Child's name: Class:

I will be able to attend the parent e-safety workshop at: 9.00am / 2.00pm / 6.00pm*

*please delete as appropriate

