

## LETTER

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Dear Year 5 & 6 Parents and Carers,

As part of our ongoing support to both children and families, I would like to invite parents and carers of children in years 5 & 6 to an in school evening workshop on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 6:30pm.** The aim of this workshop is to share ways to support children to keep safe within the online world.

Although we work at school to teach the children about keeping safe online, they are at their most vulnerable when using devices outside of school. As parents and carers, it is important that you are familiar with the applications and social network opportunities they may use. The workshop will outline some of the key information about different platforms your child is likely to access, share some suggestions on ways to help children navigate them safely and ways to keep up to date with your child's online activity.

By understanding these apps and websites yourself, you will be better equipped to support your child's choice about which apps and websites they access and how to use them safely. You will also feel more confident making choices about what to allow them to access and what to prevent them from accessing or to provide greater supervision with.

We will be hearing from parents who have first-hand experience of some of the challenges our children face online as they move into adulthood. There will also be time to share what we are doing as a school and what you already have in place that might benefit others. We will also give some time to hear ideas from you about how we can further support our children and families with this quickly changing and often daunting aspect of their lives.

Yours Sincerely,

Julie Loffstadt