



Dear Parents

This week we are joining hundreds of other schools across the UK in taking part in Safer Internet Day (SID). It is organised in February each year, by the UK Safer Internet Centre, to promote the safe and responsible use of online technology and mobile phones for children and young people. The theme of SID this year is 'Play your part for a better internet', giving our children the opportunity to focus on the creative and positive things that children and young people are doing online, as well as the role that we all play in helping to create a better internet.

The children have taken part in interactive assemblies to celebrate Safer Internet Day. We would like to encourage you to talk to your child about the themes we have been discussing in school.

Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 have enjoyed listening to the adventures of Digiduck in the story Digiduck's Big Decision. You can read this story with your child at **www.childnet.com/resources/digiducks-big-decision**

Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 have been thinking about being respectful online and they have considered what rules they would make and follow to be a positive online friend. You can access one of the SID videos that we watched at **www.youtube.com/watch?v=bkl_jnGltDc**

Childnet and the UK Safer Internet Centre have produced some useful information and advice for parents which can be found by following the links below:

Supporting Young People Online:

dwn5wtkv5mp2x.cloudfront.net/ufiles/Supporting-young-people-online1.pdf

Parent Factsheet:

dwn5wtkv5mp2x.cloudfront.net/ufiles/Parent-Factsheet-SID16.pdf

We are keen to keep you up to date with how we teach online safety at Overstone Primary School throughout the academic year. You can find the progression of lessons that are taught as part of our PSHE curriculum on the school website at **www.overstoneprimaryschool.org.uk/tabid/192/Default.aspx** You can also find links to useful websites that offer advice and support relating to Online Safety, which we will keep regularly updated.

If you have any concerns regarding the wellbeing or safety of our children, please contact the school and speak to either Mrs Mardell or myself. You can also contact CEOP directly at **www.ceop.police.uk** to obtain further advice or to make a report to the police. You will find a link to this at the bottom of our school website homepage.

Yours faithfully

Miss Dee Dawson