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Dear Parents

Re: Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 6 February

We are totally committed to the health and safety of all our children, and one way in which we ensure children are kept safe, is through educating them about online safety. Online safety is taught in an age-appropriate level to all children at Streetsbrook and is an integral part of our curriculum.

All of the children will be benefiting from some specific learning about online safety on Tuesday 6 February as it is National Safer Internet Day. Safer Internet Day highlights the positive uses of technology and encourages us to explore the role that we play in helping to create a better and safer online community. The theme this year is: 'Create, Connect and Share Respect: A better internet starts with you.'

At Streetsbrook, we will be celebrating Safer Internet Day by holding an assembly which will review the advantages of the internet and reflect on the key issues surrounding this year's theme. Each class will also hear age-appropriate stories, share circle-time sessions and have access to either the ICT suite, or iPads to complete theme related tasks.

For KS1, the children will also be reminded how to be SMART whilst online:

- Safe** - to remain safe by protecting personal information
- Meeting** - never meet somebody you have only been in-touch with online without a parent
- Accepting** - do not accept emails, files or messages from people you do not know
- Reliable** - not all information on the internet is true, including the identity of others
- Tell** - it is never too late to tell a parent, carer or responsible adult if someone or something makes you feel afraid online

Given the attention that 'online safety' continues to have had in the media as well as the degree in which the internet pervades on day-to-day life please show your support by reflecting on the devices that your child can access the internet on whilst at home and reinforce the above SMART rules. Safer Internet Day is also a perfect opportunity to talk to your child about what they like most about the internet and discuss their understanding of how to stay safe online. Advice from our online safety workshop can be viewed via the Internet safety page on our website:

<http://www.streetsbrook.co.uk/parents/internet.html>

If you have any questions with respect to 'online safety', please do not hesitate to get in touch.

With very best wishes

Yours sincerely

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