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Dear Parents/Carers,

Safer Internet Week

On the week of Monday 6th February we will be joining schools and youth organisations across the UK in celebrating Safer Internet Day 2023. Safer Internet Day is a global campaign to promote the safe and responsible use of technology, which calls on children and young people, parents, carers, teachers, social workers, law enforcement, companies, policymakers and more, to help to create a better internet.

Using the internet safely and positively is a key message that we promote in the academy. Celebrating Safer Internet Day is a great opportunity for us to re-emphasise the online safety messages we deliver throughout the year.

We would be delighted if you could join us in celebrating the day by continuing the conversation at home. To help you with this, the UK Safer Internet Centre have created some free activities and information for parents and carers which are available at: saferinternet.org.uk/SID-parents. Whether you have 5 minutes to start a conversation or hours to spare, there are top tips, quizzes and films which you can use at home with your child.

During this week at the academy, we will be holding assemblies, quizzes and challenges. We will also be holding a sponsored 'No Tech Day' on Wednesday 8th February. If your child would like to take part in our sponsored 'No Tech Day', they simply need to try not to use any technology for 24 hours, including alarm clocks, mobile phones and iPads etc. We believe that allowing a child an opportunity to be without technology for a day, will allow them to reflect upon their screen time, internet use and remind them that there are other ways to have fun without being online. This is a sponsored event with any money raised going to Mind; participating students are invited to wear their own clothes on this day to make them stand out. Sponsorship forms can be collected from H17 at any time; students must register to take part in 'No Tech Day' with their Personal Tutor.

If you have any concerns or questions about keeping your child safe online, please do get in touch with your child's personal tutor, myself, or our Designated Safeguarding Team accessible via safeguardingcq@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk

Yours sincerely,

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