

Welcome to our spring termly eSafety newsletter with a big focus on **Safer Internet Day**, which is being celebrated on **Tuesday 8th February 2022**.

Is Your Child Ready for Social Media?

The ThinkUKnow team at CEOP have written a great new blog post to give advice and guidance to parents regarding social media.

It's a nice, simple, quick read going into the risks, considerations for whether the child is ready, minimum age requirements and more.

Click on the link below to read the blog post.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/is-my-child-ready-for-social-media/>

We have also shared the National Online Safety guides about the different social media platforms via our Twitter and Facebook pages.

Please get in touch if you would like a copy of the guides or have any questions.



We delighted to have achieved the **National Online Safety Certified School** award again this year . **A very big thank you to all the parents and staff who have completed training and are working hard to keep our children safe online.** If you haven't signed up already, please find below the URL you need to visit to register your account. You will need to complete your details and select "I am a: Parent/Carer".

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/st-peter-at-gowts-ce-primary-school>



Safer Internet Day 2022 will be celebrated on 8th February with the theme 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'.

From gaming and chat, to streaming and video, young people are shaping the interactive entertainment spaces they are a part of. Safer Internet Day 2022 celebrates young people's role in creating a safer internet, whether that is whilst gaming and creating content, or interacting with their friends and peers.

Safer Internet Day last year was such a brilliant day last year at home and at school but we are so pleased we will be able to celebrate as a whole school, in school, this year!

Throughout the day, children will be engaging with Safer Internet Day lessons and activities and Mrs Bradley will be leading a special collective worship. **We are also going to be running an in school eSafety poster competition. In every class, children are being asked to create a poster reminding people of important online safety rules. We will be sharing excellent examples from each class in Celebration worship on Friday 11th February and will publish them on the school website and social media platforms.**

Last year, we shared wonderful little story with you (see link below) that has been created to help children understand what it takes to stay safe in the online world. This virtual book is always a hit and would make a brilliant discussion starter for children of all ages.

<https://www.whsschool.org.uk/media/1556/oscars-adventures-in-the-online-world.pdf>



Parent/carer online safety coffee morning

On Tuesday 8th February between 10am and 11am, we will be hosting a parent/carer coffee morning in the hall with an online safety theme.

We will be sharing videos and guides as well as having several members of staff on hand to offer support and advice or answer any questions.

Please do pop in for a coffee and an eSafety chat!



More useful information and websites can be found on our school website at: <https://www.st-peter-gowts.lincs.sch.uk/safeguarding/>

Please do get in touch if you have any questions, comments or concerns you would like to discuss with us.