



Wombwell Park Street Primary School

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Wednesday 5th February 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Y5/6 Online Safety Day

On **Tuesday 11th February 2020**, we will be supporting the UK Safer Internet Day with a specific link to supporting our Upper Key Stage 2 children with keeping safe using social media. Our aim is for the children to understand their digital footprint and what the world can learn about them from this. We also want to help reduce some of the naiveties around what children are posting online and what each post actually tells other people about them.

To begin to develop this understanding, the children will have the opportunity to become 'detectives' and investigate some staff members within the school. Please note that careful consideration has been taken when 'setting up' these teacher profiles and the information on them is not sensitive. We will be asking children to pay close attention to all the details to find out information about staff. For example, if there is a picture outside of Park Street what does that tell the children?

In addition to this, we would then like the children to have the opportunity to understand what their own profiles are telling others about them. For this, we would need to gain your permission for the children to access their own social media accounts whilst in school. This will only be happening for this day and afterwards any access to platforms will be blocked. We will use this to allow the children to investigate their own digital footprint to aid them in understanding what the world can find out about them. Further to this, we will then be demonstrating how to adjust privacy settings within different social media platforms and will give the children the opportunity to make the changes to ensure their accounts are private.

As Online Safety Leads, we would like to make it clear to parents that we are in no way promoting the use of underage social media. However, we are aware that a large proportion of children at Park Street do have accounts despite the age restrictions and therefore it is our role to ensure we are educating them in being safe. Whilst we can play no part in restricting children from using social media, it is our role to safeguard and promote the safe use of any online platform.

Please sign and return the permission slip below by Monday 10th February 2020.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your ongoing support,

Mr A Fidment and Miss L Garratt

(Online Safety Leads)

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Year 5/6 Online Safety Day

I give permission for my child _____ in Team _____ to access their social media platforms on a school iPad during Safer Internet Day. I understand that following this event, all access to social media platforms will be blocked in school.

Signed _____ Date _____

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