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## E-Safety Week

Dear Parents / Carers,



This week has been Oldham E-Safety Week and your child has been doing activities in class related to this important topic. The range of technology now available to children is vast e.g. laptops, tablet computers, Ipods, Ipads, Xbox etc., and monitoring children's use of all of these things isn't easy!

However, I'm sure you will agree that, as parents, we have a duty to safeguard our children and minimize the potential risks they face when they are on the internet (e.g. playing games online, communicating via email or social messaging sites/games, sharing photos via Instagram) and when texting using mobile phones. We would not for example expect children at Primary School to be on Facebook, as the minimum age for this is 13, but worryingly some children are! The promotion of 'e-safety' therefore, is an essential home / school task, so that parents can put the necessary parental control measures in place and our children understand how to keep themselves safe.

In order to help parents understand and deal with the issues around e-safety, there is an e-safety page on the school website with some useful links and information. We recommend that you look at this information together with your child. We also highly recommend that you set parental controls on all of your home PCs and devices and monitor closely your child's online activity. A useful checklist for parents can be found on the reverse of this letter and the Oldham e-safety newsletter is also attached to help you with this.

I hope that you will find this useful and that you will spend time with your child reinforcing the key messages of e-safety. If you would be interested in receiving further information and/or training on this subject, please register an interest at the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. A. Leigh  
Headteacher



