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Dear Parents/Carers

Today is safer internet day and over the last few days in school the children have been undertaking work helping them understand the internet and possible dangers and issues they face when using it.

Below I have included a link with some tips we have picked up to assist you at home but I would also like to encourage you with the following. A lot of the children are using various platforms, Instagram, snapchat and facebook etc and while I can only give advice I would strongly urge you to keep checking the content of devices and tracking use. Unfortunately children are only a few 'clicks' away from inappropriate images and content. One 'app' that we have been alerted to at school through the authorities which is particularly worrying is 'Musically' which I very strongly suggest you remove. Some seemingly harmful 'apps' are very often not what they seem.

<u>www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day</u> has some great tips for families and how as technology moves at a great pace we can engage with our children in a world they understand; sometimes more than us. Thank you for your help and support.

## World Book Day

After the holiday we will celebrate World Book Day in school but to prepare the teachers will be sending out information before the holidays. We will be involved in our normal celebrations but over half term the children will be encouraged to make a 'Diorama'; more details to follow.

Thank you as always for your continued support and cooperation.

Yours sincerely

M Mountcastle





