Saint Felix School
SOUTHWOLD

6 February 2024

Dear Parent/Guardians

RE: Safer Internet Day– Tuesday 6th February 2024.

Some of you may be aware that today is Safer Internet Day in the UK.

Saint Felix School aims to raise awareness of online safety throughout the year, whether this be in assemblies, PSHE or embedding online safety into the curriculum.

This week, students will all also have form time activities where they will be encouraged to share their views on social media and what the online world means to them.

We hope you will be able to join the presentation by Alan Mackenzie, an expert on Online Safety via Teams tomorrow Wednesday 7 February 2024 starting at 7pm. A Teams link has already been sent out regarding this.

I would also like to use this opportunity to share online safety information with all parents and guardians. Attached is a document developed by Suffolk County Council which offers advice on the following:

- Apps, games, and social media.
- Specific information such as age ratings and risks of various social media platforms.
- Definitions of various types of terminology.
- Online radicalisation.
- Talking to your child about online safety.

Please do take the time to read the document attached.

Reporting online safety concerns:
Please remember that if you have an online safety concern that you feels needs reporting, whether it be malicious communications, sending and receiving of indecent imagery or online threats you can do this through various channels. You can report any of the above mentioned to Suffolk Constabulary through calling 101 or by using their online reporting tool which can be found on the following link https://www.suffolk.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/ or you can contact CEOP (Child exploitation and online protection) CEOP Safety Centre.

I would also advise visiting the Wellbeing Hub Teentips website that is available to all parents and guardians free of charge (a URL was sent to all parents/guardians last term) where again you will find lots of information.

Please do get in contact if there is anything in this letter that you would like to discuss further.

Yours sincerely

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