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## <u>Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2023</u>

Dear Parent/Carer

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2023 marks the global Safer Internet Day which is celebrated in over 170 countries. Online safety is a high priority for us at OBA and each year we utilise Safer Internet Day to raise awareness of online safety issues.

Last week I delivered assemblies to all year groups focused on digital safety. I have also provided all OBA staff with specific digital safeguarding training this half term and today I would like to draw your attention, as Parents/Carers, to some links and resources which you can access for free to support your child/children with staying safe online.

I have produced a short video for Parents/Carers giving practical tips and advice on how to keep young people safe online. This video can be viewed on our YouTube channel here: <a href="Online Safety for Parents 2023">Online Safety for Parents 2023</a>
<a href="YouTube">YouTube</a>. Please also find attached a summary of key takeaways from this video presentation for your reference.

Further information about keeping your children safe online can be found any time by:

- Visiting the online safety for parents page on our website: <a href="https://ormistonbolingbrokeacademy.co.uk/for-students/online-safety">https://ormistonbolingbrokeacademy.co.uk/for-students/online-safety</a>
- Registering for and downloading the National Online Safety app which is free for all Parents/Carers
  of OBA students. Use this link to register for your free
  account. <a href="https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/ormiston-bolingbroke-academy">https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/ormiston-bolingbroke-academy</a>
- Downloading the Safer Schools app for free (more information on the above web page)
- Following @esafetyOBA on both Twitter and Instagram

Issues that occur online are, by definition, classed as out of school incidents and it is limited as to what we as a school can do to intervene in issues that take place on social media or other platforms. However, I will always be happy to provide advice and guidance to Parents/Carers with online safety matters on a case-by-case basis.

Finally, to get a better understanding of how we can work together to support young people and yourselves with digital safety, I invite you to complete a short survey via this link: https://forms.office.com/e/FLPfEwbgE7















I thank you for your ongoing support to make the internet a safer place for young people. Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

Mr L Hussey

**Digital Safeguarding Coordinator** 















