Dear Parents/Carers,   23rd January, 2020

Safer Internet Day 2020 will be celebrated globally on **Tuesday 11th February** with the slogan, 'Exploring Identity Online.'

Safer Internet Day is a global campaign to promote the safe and responsible use of technology, which calls on young people, parents, carers, teachers, social workers, law enforcement, companies and policymakers to join together in helping to create a better internet.

Using the internet safely and positively is a key message that we promote in school and celebrating Safer Internet Day is a great opportunity for us to re-emphasise the online safety messages we deliver throughout the year.

If you are able to join us on **Thursday 6th February at 9.15**, we are really lucky to have **Richard Heysmond** from the **Leicestershire Police** with us in school. He is offering an interactive presentation for parents lasting 1 hour, charting the rise in cybercrime and he will inform you about the things to watch out for at home to keep you and your family safe. There will be refreshments for you to enjoy too.

We'd also be delighted if you could continue the online safety conversation at home. To help you with this, you may be interested in downloading the free Safer Internet Day resource pack for parents and carers which is available here: saferinternet.org.uk/sid-parents. There is an electronic copy of this letter on the school website so that you can follow the links. The links are the underlined words.

There are also top tips, a quiz and films which you can use at home with your child.

Some other resources which you may find helpful in supporting your child online are:

- Advice for parents and carers from Childnet
- Tips, advice and guides for parents and carers from the UK Safer Internet Centre
- Guides on popular apps and games from NetAware
- Reviews and information about games, apps, TV shows and websites from Common Sense Media
- Help on using parental controls and privacy settings from Internet Matters
- Information and reporting of online grooming or abuse from CEOP

Online safety is an important issue which we are committed to teaching our pupils about.

If you have any concerns or questions about keeping your child safe online, please do get in touch with me or your child's class teacher.

Kind regards,

Beth Hunter

Assistant Head

I will be able to attend the Cybercrime Presentation on Thursday 6th February at 9.15am.

Signed _____   Child's name _____