

Elmsleigh Infant and Nursery School Online-Safety Termly Newsletter: February 2023

Every half term we will be sending out information and tips on how to keep your children safe when using the internet. If there is anything you would like us to include in future newsletters, then please do get in touch.



Our online safety curriculum covers the ChildNet SMART rules:

S - SAFE: Keep your personal information safe.

M - MEET: If someone online ever asks you to meet up, tell an adult straight away.

A - ACCEPTING: Think carefully before you click on or open something online.

R - RELIABLE: To find reliable information compare at least three different websites, check in books and talk to someone about what you have found.

T - TELL: Tell a trusted adult if something or someone ever makes you feel upset, worried or confused.

<https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers>



Before half term, we had our second Online safety focus across school by taking part in National Safer Internet Day. This year's theme was 'Making space for conversations about life online'.

Parents and carers can read 'Hanni and the Magic Window' at home to reinforce the importance of

asking for help straight away. Visit:

<https://www.childnet.com/resources/hanni-and-the-magic-window/>

On pg 2 there is an 'Internet Interview' you can do with your child to start conversations about using the internet.

Online Games

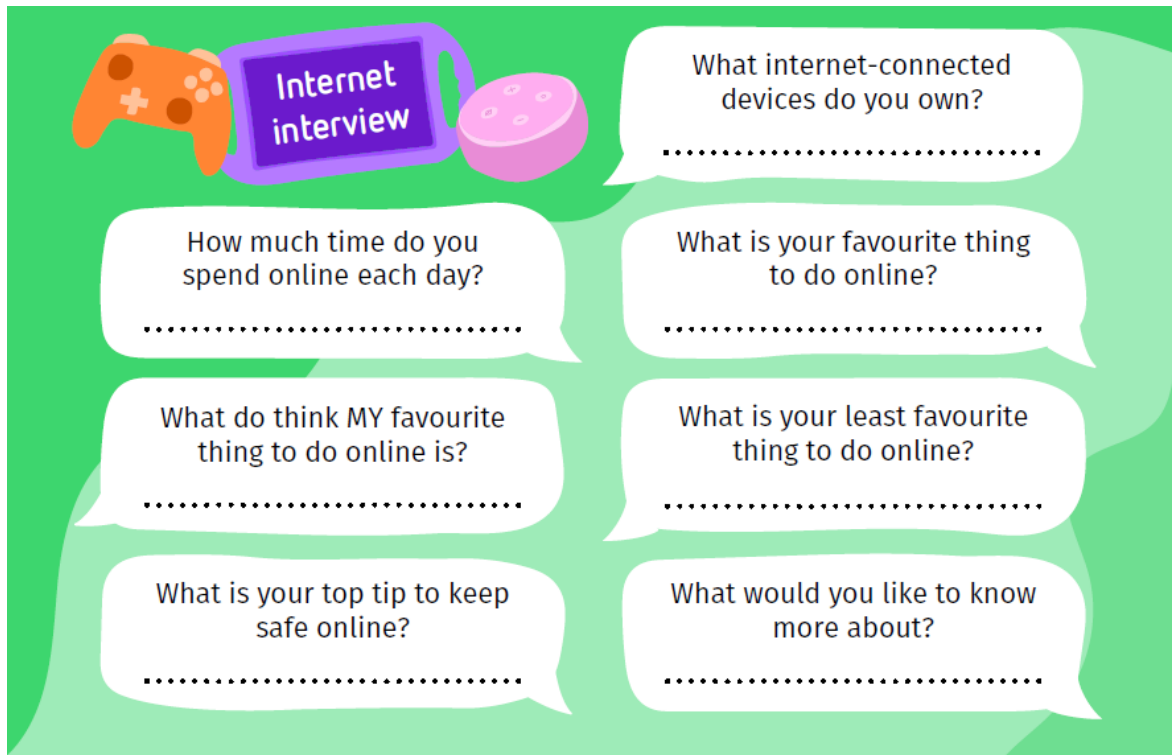
We are aware that many of our children have access to games online or games that have an online feature. Here is a link to a really useful page for parents regarding online games -

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-games/>

YouTube

To have an account you must be aged 13+ however we are very aware that younger children may be using YouTube. Switching on Restricted Mode and disabling the 'autoplay' feature to stop videos playing automatically after one has ended are steps you can take to minimise risk. The following link gives more information - www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/youtube/

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Safer Internet Day 2023

Our nursery children went on a Technology treasure hunt and talked about electronic devices that the children use.

Reception children read 'Hanni and the Magic Window', played 'what do you say' to different scenarios and spoke about different devices some children use.

Year 1 children read 'Hanni and the Magic Window', played 'what do you say' to different scenarios, had 'Ask a friend' challenges and discussed on what we should/should not share online.

Year 2 children read 'Hanni and the Magic Window', discussed their favourite online activities and completed a 'let's go online' activity to show understanding of what to do if they feel unhappy online.

Some children in Year 2 were asked their favourite online activities:

