



# Online Safety Newsletter

## For parents

Welcome to the third issue of the Abbey School online safety newsletter. Each half term we will be providing useful information to help keep your children safe when using the internet. We will also be providing guidance to our wonderful parents and carers to keep you up to date with all things internet!

In this issue we will be looking at the National Online Safety scheme, Parent Zone's 5 digital parenting rules that really matter and how our children are 'Internet Legends'.



We have become an accredited school with the National Online Safety scheme, where staff will have access to up to date training, students will be taught up to date lesson content and online training available for Parents. Every Wednesday the NOS launch a 'Wake Up Wednesday' parent guide on the latest apps and online games. The first parent guide has been uploaded to the ESafety section of the school website. Click [here](#) to view.

We will be launching this fully from September .. watch this space!



Parent zone are experts in digital family life. They have put together a guide of 5 'digital parenting rules that really matter'.

Including:

- ✓ **Building a child's digital resilience will keep them safer than blocking or filtering.**
- ✓ **Don't limit the talk you have with your child to 'the online safety conversation'**
- ✓ **Balance taking an interest in your child's online activities with giving them the space to be independent.**
- ✓ **Don't be afraid to set boundaries**
- ✓ **Concentrate on how children use digital media rather than for how long**

The article can be found [here](#).

This half term we have launched a school wide challenge for all students to be 'Internet Legends' a scheme run by Google & Parent Zone. Each child had the opportunity to build their own internet legend, answering ESafety questions in between each building stage.

Google have also launched an online game called 'Interland' where students have to work their way up through the Internet Code's to be crowned an internet legend.

The Internet codes include:

- ✓ Be Internet Sharp (Think before you share)
- ✓ Be internet Alert (Check it is for real)
- ✓ Be Internet Secure (Protect your stuff)
- ✓ Be internet Kind (Respect Each other)
- ✓ Be internet Brave (When in doubt, discuss)

More information can be found [here](#).

