

# St Pauls - Computing Newsletter



Hello to all of our parents,

Most of our children at St Paul's have access to the internet. The internet can be a fantastic tool for learning but we need to make sure that are children are safe users of the internet. Here is a newsletter detailing some top tips and things to look out for.

## Using safe sites

It has come to our attention that some children within school are accessing social media sites. Unfortunately there have been incidents of children being unkind and these incidents have been brought into and continued at school. Our children should not be accessing these sites as they are not old enough. Please refer back to the top tips with your child/children.

You can access materials and videos to help promote understanding of how to stay safe at <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2017>

## Be the change; unite for a better internet.

As part of the computing curriculum children have been learning about how to stay safe on the Internet. Children have completed different activities in class, ranging from role-playing scenarios to creating leaflets and posters.

### **Our top tips are:**

**Be the change** - Play your part in making the internet a better place. Be positive, show respect and help people if they are upset.

**Be sensible** - Always tell a trusted adult if you are ever worried or upset by something that happens online. They are always there for you to ask for help if you are unsure about anything you see online.

**Be careful** - Keep your personal information safe and check with an adult before you share anything online. Personal information includes your email address, phone number and password.

**Be aware** - Make sure you know the rules about how to behave and stay safe on the sites, games and apps you use. Look out for buttons that let you block, mute and report other users who aren't behaving.

**Be a detective** - The internet is full of brilliant things to watch, explore and learn from but not everything or everyone online can be trusted. Think carefully by checking at least three different websites for your information and talking to someone about what you have seen to see if they agree.

Please watch out for these sites/apps:

Yellow

Facebook

Instagram

Musicality

Snapchat

Twitter