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Dear Parents of children in Year 4, 5 & 6

**Re: IMPORTANT MEETING FOR PARENTS OF JUNIOR CHILDREN  
ABOUT INTERNET & EMAIL SAFETY**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2015 is National E-Safety Day. This is day when schools are asked to raise the profile of internet safety. After half term, Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2015, we will be running E-Safety Workshops for parents and children in our junior school, particularly focussing on Years 6, 5 and 4. The teachers will also be working with children in classes about how children use the internet, computers, smart phones and games consoles at home.

Additionally over the last week we have also identified some very serious issues with some of our older children and their use of the internet and social media sites. Many of the teachers have been worried about what children have reported back to them and I think it would be exceptionally useful if we arranged meetings when we could talk to parents about how you can protect your children at home.

We will be running a parent & child workshop on **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at 3.35pm, repeated at 5.30pm** covering issues such as;

- Highlighting potential dangers of unsafe internet use (Video clip)
- How to ensure your child is using the internet safely at home (Tips for parents)
- How parents can manage & control email and social media safely (Setting security)
- Facebook and social networking websites – what is appropriate for primary aged children
- The potential dangers of inappropriate use of Smart phones.

The support sessions are specifically aimed at parents with junior aged children because this is where I have the most concerns that children are viewing inappropriate material and accessing inappropriate websites. I have also discovered that many of your children have Facebook accounts or regularly use social networking sites. I have very grave concerns about the appropriateness of such sites for primary aged children.

I think it would be helpful if your child came with you to the workshop and also saw the presentation so they fully appreciate the dangers they could be opening themselves up to.

I look forward to seeing all on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> at either 3.30pm or 5.30pm

Regards,

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Head Teacher

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