



**Etone College**

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Dear Parent/Carer,

As you are aware we are committed to ensuring that your child's education prepares them for a safe and happy future whilst making full use of the technologies and opportunities the internet age presents. On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January we are celebrating Safer Internet Day, an initiative established by the **UK Safer Internet Centre (UKSIC)** to highlight the importance of staying safe online and raising awareness of the measures we can take to support our community online.

This year the theme of the day is '**Smart tech, safe choices – exploring the safe and responsible use of AI**' following the rapid rise in the use of this technology. In support of this, pupils will attend an assembly next week highlighting some of the ways we can make use of the internet in a safe and effective way. In addition, all pupils will have the opportunity to take part in a Safer Internet Quiz prize draw where the winners of each year will receive technology-based prizes.

Across the week, all Computing and Information Technology lessons will also include the theme of Safe Internet Usage. In Key Stage 3 pupils will have the chance to explore how the internet forms an important part of our daily routines and consider some of the dangers from letting our 'e-guard' down. In Key Stage 4, pupils will be looking at the modern technologies and how AI is further improving safety features for internet usage. In Key Stage 5 pupils will consider the importance of Cyber Security and the most recent threats to internet security.

To compliment the week, we would like to take this opportunity to remind you of both the support we provide as a school and that of external agencies;

**Etone College E-Safety:** [https://www.etonecollege.co.uk/e-safety/](http://https://www.etonecollege.co.uk/e-safety/)

A first stop to find out useful links, details of our curriculum and our commitment to E-Safety across our school and for our pupils.

**Safer Internet Centre UK:** [https://saferinternet.org.uk/](http://https://saferinternet.org.uk/)

The home of Safer Internet Day and location of expert advice and details of support networks for those who are struggling with safe internet usage.

**Internet Matters:** [https://www.internetmatters.org/](http://https://www.internetmatters.org/)

The Government backed agency that looks to provide children and families with all the require to ensure a safe digital world for them and their futures.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

**Mr I Smith**  
**Headteacher**