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Dear Parent/Carer

As your child is in upper Key Stage 2, you will be aware that they are at an age where they may be given more freedom to explore the internet in their leisure time.

The work that we do at school, helps children to understand that whilst the internet hosts many exciting opportunities for education and is a wonderful place for young people to explore, just like the real world there are risks and dangers they should be aware of and which should all act to protect them from. As a school, we encourage the use of technology as an important part of our students' development but always want them to spend their time online safely.

As part of this work, today I met with Year 5 and Year 6 to deliver an E-Safety assembly and follow up discussion around posting content online, chatroom safety and cyberbullying. The material used was all provided by CEOP (Child Exploitation and Online Protection) and delivered by myself as a trained E-Safety officer.

We also endeavour to support you as parents/carers in helping you to keep your children safe and providing them with the awareness to know what to do if they feel uncomfortable about anything they encounter while on the internet at school or outside of school. To support you in doing this, we will be hosting another parent workshop in the new academic year on E-Safety which will be presented by the police e-safety team.

In the meantime, if you do not wish for your child to be able to access any inappropriate content online, please ensure that their computers, laptops and other devices with internet access are all fitted with parental controls. You can find free downloadable versions online or you can contact your internet service provider for more information.

One of the most popular search engines in the world is Google. You can visit Google's informative safety centre for simple step by step guides – www.google.com/familysafety/tools

Please be aware that no filter is 100% accurate and CEOP advise that you talk to your child and monitor the sites they use. You can discuss:

- Their favourite online sites
- What they enjoy most, the fun aspects of being online
- What they think can go wrong
- How they would react if things got out of control

For more information, visit the CEOP parents' information website for more information – www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents or contact myself via the office or year5@harden.bradford.sch.uk and I will be more than happy to help in any way I can.

Yours sincerely

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