## **Uplands Junior School**

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**RE: Online Safety Workshop** 

Dear Parents/carers

We are delighted to offer you an Online Safety Workshop taking place at school on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January (5:30 – 6:30) which is being led by Patrick Flynn (Director of Online Behaviours).

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Online Safety is an important part of keeping children safe online. We have security measures in place in school, which are constantly monitored, to help safeguard pupils from any potential dangers. Online Safety is taught to all pupils explaining and demonstrating how to stay safe and behave appropriately online. We can only be successful in keeping children safe online if we work with you to ensure the Online Safety message is consistent.

Your help is needed to talk to your children about how they can keep safe and behave appropriately online. The widespread availability and use of social networking application bring opportunities to understand, engage and communicate with audiences in new ways. It is important that we are able to use these technologies and services effectively and flexibly. You may find you children asking to engage with technology that you have no knowledge or experience of. Children are accessing a greater amount of content online, than we were ever exposed to in our childhood.

Remember that services like Facebook and YouTube have a minimum age limit for a reason. If you choose to allow your children to have these accounts then you will want to discuss with them the boundaries you expect. We have spoken to them in school about sharing their password with you, in order to keep them safe. You will find children can accidently or deliberately be exposed to unwanted or unpleasant content or comments online and there are steps you can take at home to minimise this risk.

## Websites for more information:

<u>www.thinkuknow.co.uk</u> – Visit the "Parent/Carer" Section and use the "Click CEOP" button to seek advice <u>www.childnet.com</u> – Visit the 'Know It All' Section for an interactive guide about online safety <u>www.getsafeonline.org</u> – Free up-to-date Security advice, age specific advice <a href="https://www.commonsensemedia.org/">https://www.commonsensemedia.org/</a> - Excellent advice about Internet Safety

Please return the slip below if you would like to take part in the Online Safety Workshop. Kind Regards

Mrs O Devi (Online Safety Coordinator)

## Online Safety Workshop (Please return slip by Friday 20th January)



I would like to attend the Online Safety Workshop on Thursday 26th January at 5:30pm.

Signed: ..... (Parent/Carer)













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