E-Safety Talk for Parents

St Laurence

E-Safety

- E-Safety: the use of any technology that a person can encounter which allow access to content and communications that could raise issues or pose risks to their wellbeing and safety. (BECTA 2008)
- There are many positives to using the internet which we should encourage. However, there are also many dangers which could cause risk to the well being and safety of our children. It is important that we as parents, carers and educators are aware of these risks and help our children feel empowered to stay safe online.

E-Safety Day



Our School Council gave a presentation about e-safety to the school. Following their presentation pupils returned to classes and signed their own 'Internet Acceptable Use Policy'.

Please ask your child about the presentation and their policy.

Key Areas

Children will not share problems encountered whilst online (bullying/seeing inappropriate content etc.) if they believe their access to technologies will be restricted.

Follow the **PIES** model to ensure you are e-safety aware.

Practical principles – Talk with, not at your children/Agree family guidelines/discuss online safety regularly

Infrastructure – Ensure you have virus and firewall software up to date

Education – Do not be afraid of new technologies, discuss and enjoy learning new things – their benefits, dangers and potential

Systems – View History or purchase filtering software/Monitor time spent online/Have proportionate responses to problems

Key Websites

- <u>http://www.parentscentre.gov.uk/</u>
- <u>www.thinkuknow.com</u>
- http://www.getnetwise.org/
- <u>http://www.childnet-int.org/</u>
- http://www.bbc.co.uk/webwise/
- http://www.iwf.org.uk/