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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, all children in Key Stages One and Two have watched an E-Safety performance by *Barking up the Right Tree* productions. We are committed to promoting the safe and responsible use of the Internet and we hope that you are able to do the same at home.

Wingrove encourages students to follow the SMART rules, which are recommended by Childline International and KIDSmart. We encourage all adults with a responsibility for the care of young people to support these rules. You can learn about the SMART rules by accessing www.kidsmart.org.uk or by reading them on the back of this letter.

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind you that websites such as Facebook, Instagram, and Skype, to name but a few, offer fantastic opportunities for communication and social connections, but they have been created with their audience in mind and are specifically for those over 13 years old. Therefore, no members of our school should have accounts on these websites.

If you need further help on matters concerning your child's safety online, or are concerned about your child's use of information technology, then we are always willing to offer support. We will be holding an E-Safety workshop for parents later in the year and we will inform you about this in due course.

Thank you for your continuing support,

Mr Hields
Computing Co-ordinator

Be smart on the internet



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SAFE

Keep safe by being careful not to give out personal information – such as your full name, email address, phone number, home address, photos or school name – to people you are chatting with online.



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MEETING

Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Only do so with your parents' or carers' permission and even then only when they can be present.



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ACCEPTING

Accepting emails, IM messages, or opening files, pictures or texts from people you don't know or trust can lead to problems – they may contain viruses or nasty messages!



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RELIABLE

Information you find on the internet may not be true, or someone online may be lying about who they are.



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TELL

Tell your parent, carer or a trusted adult if someone or something makes you feel uncomfortable or worried, or if you or someone you know is being bullied online.

You can report online abuse to the police at www.thinkuknow.co.uk

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Visit Childnet's Kidsmart website to play interactive games and test your online safety knowledge. You can also share your favourite websites and online safety tips by Joining Hands with people all around the world.

