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Online Safety

Year 5 newsletter text

Unit 5.1 - We are Year 5 rule writers

'This half term, all pupils have been helping to create a set of online safety rules that they will follow at home and at school. All children will be sent home with a set of online safety rules. Please help them to stick these in a prominent place at home to reinforce the need to be safe online wherever they are. These rules should replace any rules from a previous year.'

Unit 5.2 - We are responsible for our online actions

'This half term, Year 5 pupils have been learning how poor online behaviour can cause distress or upset to others. All children have been asked to pose an online safety scenario to their grown-ups at home (an unkind comment posed about them on social media) and explain what a suitable response might be. Please support them in their learning by listening to the scenario and asking questions about how this could be resolved.'

Unit 5.3 - We are content evaluators

'This half term, Year 5 pupils have been learning about the importance of using good judgement when deciding if the claims made about products in blogs and vlogs are true.'

Unit 5.4 - We are protecting our online reputation

'This half term, Year 5 pupils have been learning about the best ways of protecting their online reputation by developing strategies to avoid posting inappropriate content online. All children have been asked to undertake a web search with their grown-ups at home about a member of their family (or someone famous, if more appropriate) to find out what information is available about these individuals. Please support them in their learning and contact the school if you need help in completing this task.'

Unit 5.5 - We are respectful of copyright

'This half term, Year 5 pupils have been learning about copyright and fair use laws and how they can ensure they are not breaking these rules. All children have been asked to search for examples of copyrighted material at home. These might be books, magazines, CDs or vinyl. Please support them in their learning by helping them to find examples.'

Unit 5.6 - We are game changers

'This half term, Year 5 pupils have been learning how game developers can make money through in-app purchases and that understanding this can prevent unexpected app purchases (both for grown-ups and children). Children have created a safe online gaming guide for parents and have been asked to discuss the advice provided within this with their grown-ups at home.'