

20th October 2022

Re: Online Safety

Dear Parents/Carers,

At Bournville School, we are committed to ensuring that all pupils are safeguarded effectively and are provided with opportunities to explore, discuss and develop strategies that allow them to make safe and healthy choices.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers of the importance of supporting their children to make safe and healthy choices online. We all recognise the important role that the online community and social media play in modern society and whilst we should encourage the safe use of these platforms, it is also imperative that we all work to remind pupils of the risks that they may encounter.

Therefore, we strongly advise that all parents and carers regularly discuss online safety and have open and honest discussions about their online activity so that children have a consistent message that show home and school are working in partnership to safeguard them.

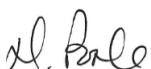
In order to support parents and carers with this, we have developed a safeguarding support section of our website which includes online safety. There are some additional links on this webpage to support you in getting access to further information. Click here:

[Safeguarding – Bournville School](#)

Please be assured, online safety is also part of the school curriculum in both computing and PSHE lessons. We start each academic year reminding students about different aspects of online safety. It is also a regular feature of assemblies and tutor time. Each year we use Online Safety Week as a vehicle to raise awareness, discuss online dangers and to remind our students of the strategies they need to keep safe.

We will continue to deliver messages and educate students on all elements of Safeguarding (including online safety) across our curriculum and via tutor time and assemblies. Should you have any questions or need any support and guidance, please do not hesitate to contact the Safeguarding Team. Keeping children safe at Bournville School is our most important job and is everyone's responsibility. Please find attached a leaflet that provides some top tips on keeping children safe online.

Yours faithfully,



Miss H Poole
Assistant Principal