

14th February 2019



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ACADEMY



Locally, and nationwide, there have been many troubling incidents reported in the media regarding children's use of the Internet. In particular, it has come to our attention that social networking sites such as My Space and Facebook have become extremely popular and that it is not uncommon to find underage children, like our children, registered; **even though the requirements state that children must be 13 years of age for example Facebook or Fortnite to register an account.**

Unfortunately, cyber bullying incidents related to these and other online sites have been reported. Primarily, these occurrences happen at home, after school hours, when children have access to Web sites that are normally blocked in school. With this in mind, and in response to the many concerned parents who have contacted me regarding Internet safety, I would like to make a special appeal to you. **I strongly request that all parents and guardians prohibit their children from using online meeting forums until they reach the correct age because, as the adage states, it's better to be safe than sorry.**

Online Games that you should be concerned about

'Granny'
'Fortnite'

Within school we have seen conflict between children acting out the violence they see in these games.

'Would You Rather?'

A game that suggests it is appropriate for children, however, as you move through the levels the content becomes unsuitable.



Eye Tests

With half term next week please take the time to arrange an optician appointment for your child if they have not had their eye sight checked in the last two years. Your child will be struggling if they cannot see clearly.

If your child has glasses please make sure they are in school every day. It is so very important!

**IMPORTANT
NOTICE**

Contact Details

It is really important that we hold correct and up to date contact details for you and your children. If you have changed your telephone number and or address recently please let us know using the slip below.

Dates for
your
diary.....

Monday 25th February - Return to school

Monday 25th February - Tiger Shark Class swimming.

A ring has been handed into the office.
If you have lost one please call in.



If your child turns 4 years of age, between January 1st and March 31st, they are eligible to join our nursery children, as of April 23rd. Please call into the school office for further details.

Contact Details

Child's Name: _____ Telephone number: _____

Address: _____