

Gotta' Be Safe Online

Termly-newsletter: Spring 2020/21



The Spring edition of our Online Safety newsletter comes to you whilst you are all supporting your children with remote learning. This means that your children will be using digital devices and the internet more than ever and screen time will have been increased. For many of you, this I know will be a concern so I hope you find these articles useful.

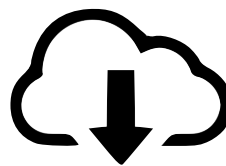
The online world is a great resource and at Robin Hood, we encourage children to use it for learning and also for entertainment, but remembering to use it safely.

Discussion points for this term...

Whilst the internet is an incredible tool, not everything you read on there is true, nor accurate. If you are ever unsure, ask an adult or check more than one website to check for credibility.



A lot of websites and apps now ask you to download add-ons but these can be dangerous and costly. It is important for children to always check with an adult before downloading anything.



One of the easiest ways to control some of the online safety worries is to set up parental controls on your internet at home. This restricts your child from coming across unwanted and unexpected content.

FOUR APPS TO SUPPORT REMOTE LEARNING



ZOOM

Class teachers will be hosting weekly Zoom calls for children to join in with. These will take place every Tuesday and Thursday and are a great chance for your children to see their friends and engage in learning.



SHOWBIE

For children in Year 4-6, learning will continue to be posted out via Showbie. Everything you need will be on your iPads and teachers will be able to leave feedback, including voice notes, via this app.



OXFORD OWL

Children in KS1 can still access books and resources through Oxford Owl. You should have your login details in your Learning Logs to access this site. Reading remains a priority at Robin Hood.



PURPLE MASH

Purple Mash has some brilliant activities for the whole curriculum; children can code, draw, play Maths games, create pieces of writing. All children have their login details for this in their Learning Logs.

Top Tips for Remote Learning

We know remote learning can present many challenges for you at home, but hopefully these tips are useful and make it a little easier for you;

1. **Have a clear routine.** Children rely on routines in school, so why not put together a timetable that you and your child can stick to at home? This will help your child to keep focused and to maintain some of the normality from school.



2. **Communicate with your child's class teacher.** All of the staff at Robin Hood want to support with remote learning so if you have any questions, class teachers are happy to help. If your child would like some feedback on a piece of work, take a photo or screenshot and attach it to an email.

3. **Be kind to yourselves.** You and your children will need a break every so often, so timetable in your daily routines where this will be and do something you enjoy. Have time away from screen, do something creative, go for a walk.



4. **Start the day right.** Treat the day as a normal school day and encourage your child to get out of their pyjamas and have breakfast too - this will help them to feel motivated and ready for a day of learning.

5. **Create an environment for work.** Find a space in your house where your children can set themselves up for the day at a table with all of the resources they need. This will probably need to be a quiet space so that you can cancel out any distractions



For more advice on how best to support your children with remote learning, please visit the remote learning section of our school website: <https://www.robinhoodprimary.co.uk/home-learning-resources/>

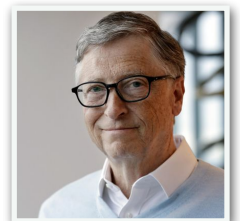
A Book Loving School!

There are lots of fantastic online safety books which we will be sharing in school when we return:



Quiz Time!

1. What is the age restriction for TikTok?
2. What is Bill Gates famous for?
3. What should you do if you want to download an app, but there is a cost?



Support Zone

- Free advice posters available at <https://nationalonlinesafety.com>
- Chance to explore Interland at https://beinternetawesome.withgoogle.com/en_us/
- Expert advice for parents at <https://parentzone.org.uk/home>

