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Dear Parent /Carer

RE: INTERNET SAFETY

As you are aware one of our key ARKS principles is being safe and this extends to being safe online. The Academy takes internet safety seriously and students have been made aware of the importance of this and how to use the internet safely.

As parents/carers, your role in discussing the importance of internet safety with your children is essential in order that you can monitor, support and advise your children and help them to understand the risks. The table below includes useful links to help you to do so.

To set up Parental controls on your home computers and mobiles then please see this website for advice:	https://www.childnet.com/resources/parental-controls
For all the latest on new platforms that students are using such as snapchat, particularly on mobile devices, then please visit:	Net Aware: Your guide to social networks, apps and games (net-aware.org.uk)
If you are worried about online sexual abuse then please contact both the Academy and CEOP:	https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/
If you are concerned about any cyber-bullying then please contact the Head of Year, but as a precaution, here is how to take a screenshot: You can also make an anonymous referral via the schools Sharp system page:	https://www.take-a-screenshot.org/ https://fairfax.thesharpsystem.com/
The UK Safer Internet Centre also has some useful information and can be accessed on:	UK Safer Internet Centre - Online Safety Tips, Advice and Resources Safer Internet Centre
O2 and the NSPCC have come together to offer some really helpful advice on internet safety and the address is listed below:	https://www.o2.co.uk/help/nspcc
Some useful advice for parents/carers on internet safety	https://www.internetmatters.org/schools-esafety/parent-online-support-pack-teachers/
Further advice for parents/carers on internet safety	https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/

Further information can be found on our website under the section safeguarding for pupils and parents. Thank you for your support of our students at Fairfax Academy.

Yours sincerely

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