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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Online safety is an essential part of safeguarding at St Edward's Church of England Academy.

The use of online communication within school is monitored extensively, both internally and externally, to help safeguard pupils from potential dangers or unsuitable content. All children are taught about how to be responsible, safe internet users and are taught the skills which are needed in order for them to protect themselves against online dangers both inside and outside of school.

In the week commencing 25th September 2017, Year 8 pupils will be covering 'Online grooming' it will be covered with the aid of resources supplied by Childnet International. The pupils will be shown a short film called "Jenny's Story." The film is based on a true story to help young people understand the dangers of chatting to strangers on the Internet. If you would like to view the resource prior to the above date, it is available through www.childnet.com.

Should you wish to discuss the content of the film, please contact Mrs Jeffery, Leader of Learning for Computing.

We appreciate the support of parents in helping us to be successful in keeping children safe online. The following websites provide easily accessible information and reporting routes for parents, in relation to issues such as online bullying, grooming, sexting, privacy settings, social media and radicalisation.

CEOP

The Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre provides online and offline support to children and parents on issues such as bullying, viruses, webcam/video chat use and photo distribution. Parents and children report specific online safety concerns here. You will find this link on our eSchools homepage.

Think U Know

Think U Know provides information and activities to educate children and parents on how to stay safe online.

Internet Matters

Internet Matters provides accessible information on issues such as sexting, radicalisation, online grooming and your online reputation.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs L. Jeffery

