



Online safety across the curriculum

From Year 8 students build skills and understanding necessary to use their school email account to share work with staff and access learning resources. Outlook is accessed as part of the Microsoft 365 suite of software.

This half term in computing, Year 11 students have focused upon risks to online safety.

Students are now aware that phishing scams are becoming more common. This is strongly related to the amount of time people spend online with their different devices.

Phishing is the fraudulent practice of sending emails or other messages pretending to be from reputable companies in order to induce individuals to reveal personal information, such as passwords and credit card numbers.



In the spring term the Key Stage 3 the computing curriculum looks at a number of digital literacy themes.

In January and February, Year 8 students will be focusing upon digital literacy on PHSE lessons. considering a range of strategies that they can apply to keep safe in online environments. A significant theme will be how young people can use apps safely whilst being aware of the risks of overuse of gaming and mobile phones.



Ongoing developments

Trust wide initiative

E-safety leads in each of the academies in the Trust have formed a network that is carrying out an audit of existing curricular and sharing best practice.

Supporting online safety at home

Abbey Hill Academy wishes to engage and support parents and carers in a range of online safety themes.

The NSPCC provide guidance on the use of parental controls which allow parents and carers to block and filter upsetting or inappropriate content.



[Read more at](#)

[Use Parental Controls to Keep Your Child Safe | NSPCC](#)

[Safer Internet Day](#) on 6th February 2024

will be a school wide event encompassing an assembly, the culmination of a series of lessons in computing and opportunities to reflect on online risks in tutor groups.



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