



St Joseph's Catholic Academy







Friday 10th February 2023

"Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online."

Dear Families,

This week we have enjoyed having discussions with the children about life online as part of **Safer Internet Day**.

Want to talk about it?

Making space for conversation about life online



The children have talked about the things that they enjoy online and the things that they don't like about the internet... we have started to think about what the perfect internet would look like, and we have created a school charter for how we can all keep safe online. The NSPCC have produced some great materials to support parents and carers. Below is an excerpt from one of their blogs, which is keeping with the theme of 'Want to talk about it?'

Our top tips are:

1.

Start a conversation

An open and honest conversation is often the first step in keeping your child safe online. It also plays an important role in supporting them if something has gone wrong.

Talk to your child about what has happened, how they feel about it, and what the next steps are for you to take as a family.

Keeping your child in the loop about what you are going to do to resolve the situation can help them to feel like they can come to you with any future problems.

2.

Be curious, not furious

Remaining calm and asking questions like 'how did you get to that?' or 'what did you click on?' will help you to understand how the content has appeared in the first place.

Children will often remember the immediate response from an adult – remaining calm and open will show them that you are someone they can turn to for help.

3.

Try not to place blame

It may be that your child has clicked on something by mistake or even gone looking for the content on purpose. Either way, it is still important to remain calm and be supportive.

Children are curious and may hear about things from others that they later search for without realising what they will be exposed to.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend, God bless, Mrs Dabbs

SALE SALE SALE! EVERYTHING 50p!!!

At Our Lady of Victories Church Hall On Saturday 11th February from 9am to 12 noon Come along and get a bargain – everything MUST go

Heating System



The work will begin on **Monday 13**th **February** to replace the entire heating system across the school. Phase one will focus on the Key Stage 1 part of the building. We will keep you posted with updates on how the works progress. Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Dates for the Diary

Monday 13th Feb – Parents Evening Tuesday 14th Feb – Parents Evening Friday 17th Feb – Mardi Gras Celebration in School

HALF TERM BREAK

School Closed Monday 20th Feb – Friday 24th Feb Ash Wednesday (22nd Feb) will fall in the half term break this year. Fr Chris will be celebrating Mass in Church at 10am and 7pm to mark this special day and the beginning of Lent.

Back to school on Monday 27th February 2023

Friday 10th March – Green Day in school
Friday 10th March – Hand in homework projects
Thurs 16th March – St Joseph Feast Day Celebrations
Friday 17th March – Open Classrooms – Curriculum
Mon 27th March – Y3&4 The Passion of Christ (afternoon)
Tues 28th March – Y3&4 The Passion of Christ (evening)

Friday 3rd March at 7pm

Quiz night is back!
Tickets are £10 and must
purchased in advance from
the School Office.



There will be fish and chips, a raffle and prizes for the winning team!











We are looking forward to celebrating Mardi Gras with all the children in school on Friday 17th February. For children in Year 1 upwards, don't forget to wear carnival themed clothes, in the festival colours of purple, green and gold! Thank you.



Well done to all the children who ran in the Cross-Country Tournament for us on Thursday 9th February – we are very proud of you all!