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Dear Parents/Carers

At Hazeldene we are committed to promoting safe and responsible use of the internet at all times. Internet safety is important to us, and we feel it is important for the children to remember our SMART rules whenever they use the internet, at school and outside of school. At Hazeldene, we follow the SMART E-safety rules:

**Safe** - stay safe, never give out personal details

**Meet** - Never meet anybody you make friends with online

**Accept** - Never accept files, images or documents from somebody online

**Reliable** - Is that online friend reliable? Do you really know who they are?

**Tell** - Tell an adult if you feel worried, scared, unhappy or unsure about something you see, hear or read online.

We appreciate that it is increasingly difficult to keep up to date with ever changing technologies, however if your child does have an online footprint, it is important to carefully consider the appropriateness and age restrictions on the apps and websites they are using. There are a number of ways to help keep yourself and your family safe online at home;

- Get in touch with your service provider to ensure you have the correct filters in place,
- Regularly checking settings and history on your child's device,
- Consider the use and location of internet devices, somewhere where your child's online activity can be monitored and supervised,
- Be involved in your child's online life, discuss internet safety at home,
- Visit the CEOP thinkuknow website ([www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)) for more information and ideas about how to stay safe.

Through activities at school we do our best to provide our children with the awareness and knowledge they need to stay safe online. However it is only with a collaborative effort between home and school that we will succeed in creating responsible and safe cyber citizens.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Chapman and Miss Moulder

