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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we are approaching the winter months, young people tend to spend more time at home online. This letter is intended to provide you with advice to support your child and includes details of recommended websites and resources.

### My Families Digital Toolkit

Internet Matters have a personalised online safety toolkit parents can use at home. By answering a few simple questions they can get age-specific advice, learn about popular apps, information on how to deal with any concerns and also tools to support their interests and wellbeing. The link to this can be found [here](#)

### Help Gamers SHIELD Against Scams

Lloyds Bank have created a new initiative which aims to help gamers understand and protect themselves against fraud using a simple code, SHIELD. It is similar to the SMART Rules which are used in primary school and we would definitely recommend that you take a look at this. Full details can be found [here](#)

### How to Protect Children from Online Sexual Harm

The NWG Network and Marie Collins Foundation have teamed up to help parents understand online harm. Learn how to minimise the risks and what you can do to help your child if you discover they have been the victims of online sexual harm. Please see further information [here](#)

Key websites we recommend:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/>

<https://www.childnet.com>

Our school website is also updated with relevant safeguarding information and this can be found [here](#).

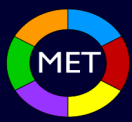
Finally, a reminder to **Download the Safer Schools App** – I have included information below on how to access this. The App is intended to keep you up to date with key concerns from the online world and give you safety advice on how to protect your children using the internet. Our aim is to also roll this out to students this year.

You can contact me if you have any online safety concerns via the BMA Safeguarding Team email [bmasafeguarding@clf.uk](mailto:bmasafeguarding@clf.uk)

Yours Sincerely,

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Dear parents and carers,

The online world can be a bit overwhelming at times but it is important we understand what our children are doing online so we can help make them safer. The Safer Schools App aims to help with this.



We are delighted to invite you to download our new Safer Schools App provided by our school insurance provider Zurich Municipal.

**About the App** The App is designed to support parents by educating and empowering them on all things online safety. Through your login, you will get access to information about the online world and will receive tips and advice on how to keep children safer online.

**Excited? Ready to make your children safer? Download the Safer Schools App now!**

*Make sure to enable push notifications to keep up-to-date with our tips, advice and guidance on how to make your children safe*