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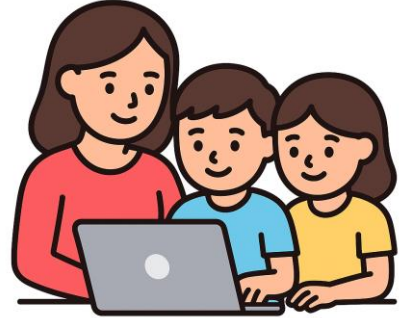
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Keeping Children Safe in a Digital World

We are all aware that the world has become an increasingly digital place, with greater use of technology in all sectors of society. At Avalon, we firmly believe in the educational benefits that technology brings, enabling our pupils to learn, connect, and create in exciting and innovative ways.

However, we also recognise that most technologies present risks as well as benefits, and that children need to be equipped with the knowledge and confidence to use technology safely and responsibly.



As part of our ongoing commitment to safeguarding, and in line with the latest Department for Education guidance – Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE) 2025 – we continually review and strengthen our approaches to online safety both in and out of school. This includes teaching pupils how to:

- Use the internet and digital devices responsibly and respectfully
- Recognise and report online risks, bullying, or inappropriate behaviour
- Protect their personal information and digital wellbeing
- Understand the impact of screen time and online communication on their mental health

To support families in this important area, we are sharing a new parent resource: 'Discovering Digital at Primary School' – a guide that outlines many of the digital safety issues we all need to be aware of and provides practical tips and advice on how to support your child at home.

If you would like to know more about how we teach and manage online safety at Avalon, please take a look at our Digital Safety Policy, available on our school website. You are also very welcome to speak with Mrs Callaway or Mrs Jones, our Computing Lead, if you have any questions or concerns.

Working Together – Parent Support Opportunities

We know that supporting children's digital use at home can sometimes feel challenging, especially as technology and apps evolve so quickly. We are keen to work with parents and carers to ensure that everyone feels confident and well-informed.



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We are keen to find out what types of support you would find most helpful. We are currently exploring opportunities such as:

- A Digital Safety Workshop for parents
- A Monthly Online Safety Newsletter with practical guidance and current updates
- Short information sessions on managing screen time, gaming, or social media use
- Family digital wellbeing sessions on balancing technology and emotional health

Please take a few moments to complete and return the reply slip below to share your ideas and register your interest. Your feedback will help us shape the support we offer this year.

Thank you for your continued partnership in keeping our pupils safe, both in school and at home. Together, we can help our children develop healthy, balanced, and safe relationships with technology.

Yours sincerely

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Please return this slip to the school office by Monday 10th November 2025



Parent Reply Slip – Digital Safety and Support

Child's Name: _____

Class: _____

I / We would be interested in (please tick all that apply):

- Parent Workshop on Digital / Online Safety
- Termly Online Safety Newsletter
- Session on Managing Screen Time or Gaming
- Workshop on Supporting Digital Wellbeing and Mental Health
- Other (please specify): _____

I / We would find it helpful if the school could offer further support or guidance about:

Preferred format:

- In-person workshop at school
- Online session (via Teams/Zoom)
- Written guidance / newsletter

Parent/Carer Name: _____

