



Online Safety News

AUTUMN 2 EDITION

Dear Parents and Carers

As we head into the winter term, our online safety focus shifts to being Internet Alert and learning how to Check It's For Real.



What We're Doing in School



This half term, we are developing our critical thinking skills to spot the signs of online scams, fake news, and misinformation.

- **Spotting the Fakes:** Learning that not everything we see, read, or watch online is true.
- **Phishing & Scams:** Recognizing that online tricksters and scammers often pretend to be people, brands, or games we trust.
- **Think → Check → Act:** Teaching children to pause, check sources, and verify facts before sharing or believing information.

How you can help at home

✓ Fact-Check Together:

Watch a video or look at a headline together and ask: "How do we know this headline is true?" Teach them to look for clues.

✓ Discuss Suspicious Messages:

Talk about chat requests, emails, or free in-game currency offers (like 'free V-Bucks/Robux') that look too good to be true.

✓ Keep the Conversation Going: Remind them:

"If it feels wrong or suspicious, it probably is." Encourage them to come to you before clicking.