



Dear Parent/Carers,

We hope you and your families are keeping safe and well. You will be aware that during Covid-19 we have been providing learning online for your children through the Google classroom platform with great success. We are planning to enhance our 'Virtual School' offer even more this year. This will support children and families during possible local lock down or during any periods of self-isolation to ensure all children can continue to access good quality learning. Leaders and teachers are working together across the Trust, using Google as a learning tool to build an exciting and long-term online platform to continue to enhance learning for all children.

With the increased time children are spending online in school and at home we have been looking at ways to keep children safe in this digital environment. Last academic year, representatives from each academy within the Trust investigated different types of software which will monitor children's safe use of the internet. The Trust has chosen software called eSafe, which will be installed across all academies during the Autumn term beginning at the end of September .

eSafe monitors devices which are logged into the school account, whether it is on a school or home device. We are therefore teaching children the importance of logging out of their school account after they have used it at school and at home. You will also have a link to a Google Slides presentation which explains what eSafe does and how it works. If you would like more information you can visit their website here: www.esafeglobal.com.

Kind Regards
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