**BW Brooke Weston**

During school closure due to COVID-19, online safety is more important than ever. Students and staff will be working remotely from home and using IT equipment more than usual and as such all need to be aware of the dangers that can arise.

This additional information leaflet is intended to share sources of information for parents and carers to support their children to be safe online.

An annex to the ICT Acceptable Use Policy has recently been published, please ensure you read and share this with your child. If you require further information about this please contact the Academy.

Parents and carers may choose to supplement the academy online offer with support from online companies and in some cases individual tutors. The academy emphasises the importance of securing online support from a reputable organisation/individual who can provide evidence that they are safe and can be trusted to have access to children.

Support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online includes:

* [Thinkuknow](#) provides advice from the National Crime Agency (NCA) on staying safe online
* [Parent info](#) is a collaboration between Parentzone and the NCA providing support and guidance for parents from leading experts and organisations
* [Childnet](#) offers a toolkit to support parents and carers of children of any age to start discussions about their online life, to set boundaries around online behaviour and technology use, and to find out where to get more help and support
* [Internet Matters](#) provides age-specific online safety checklists, guides on how to set parental controls on a range of devices, and a host of practical tips to help children get the most out of their digital world
* [London Grid for Learning](#) has support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online, including tips to keep primary aged children safe online
* [Net-aware](#) has support for parents and carers from the NSPCC and O2, including a guide to social networks, apps and games
* [Let's Talk About It](#) has advice for parents and carers to keep children safe from online radicalisation
* [UK Safer Internet Centre](#) has tips, advice, guides and other resources to help keep children safe online, including parental controls offered by home internet providers and safety tools on social networks and other online services
* [CEOP](#) - for advice on making a report about online abuse.

Government has also provided:
* [support for parents and carers to keep children safe from online harms](#), includes advice about specific harms such as online child sexual abuse, sexting, and cyberbullying
* [support to stay safe online](#) includes security and privacy settings, blocking unsuitable content, and parental controls.

If you have any further queries about online safety please email [enquiries@brookweston.org](mailto:enquiries@brookweston.org)