

## ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER

**Safer Internet Day 2022** | **Tuesday 8 February**

Coordinated by the UK Safer Internet Centre

**Safer Internet Day 2022** will be celebrated on 8th February with the theme '*All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online*'.

Everyone at Bishops Down will be getting involved in this annual event. We will be taking part in assemblies and all class teachers will be discussing the importance of being respectful to others online.

Mr Milne has also organised a wonderful competition for Reception to Year 6. The children have been asked to create an Internet safety poster using Purple Mash. The entries will be judged at school and the winners will be displayed across the school. We look forward to judging the posters that come in.

Safer Internet Day is also an excellent time to get involved with the activities your children participate in online. Whether by playing games, watching videos, or doing things your child enjoys, spending time together online is a great way to start conversations about the online world and how they're finding being a part of it.

It is important to ask questions and take an interest in what your child enjoys online.

An essential part of having this open dialogue is to not judge, even if their behaviour or life online isn't what you wanted or expected. This ensures that your child feels they can come to you if ever they make a mistake or experience a problem online.

Many of us have replaced watching regular television with streaming services, and Netflix is one of the biggest platforms out there.

With a wide range of shows and films, as well as producing its own content, Netflix provides hours of viewing entertainment for adults and children alike.

The link below will take you to a guide which explores the risks parents should be aware of if their child uses the platform, what they can do to help prevent them from viewing unsuitable content and how they can support their child with having a healthy screen time balance.

[Netflix\\_Membership\\_Handout.pdf \(parentzone.org.uk\)](#)

# NETFLIX

A purple poster for a Safer Internet Day Special Event. The text reads: 'All fun and games? Your guide to gaming'. Below this, it says 'Tuesday 8 February 2022 Live: 4.30pm-5pm'. On the right, there are icons of a smartphone and a laptop. At the bottom right, it says 'Member Resource parentzone'.

ParentZone are holding a free Safer Internet Day Digital Parents Evening on Tuesday 8th February at 4.30pm. They will be sharing everything parents need to know about gaming, including what the research is saying, and how parents can help children manage their gaming time. They will also leave some time to answer any questions and to hear your thoughts on the topic. To access this event please click on this link:

[SID22 - Parents Session - online gaming.pdf \(parentzone.org.uk\)](#)