

Dear Parents,

As part of our ongoing commitment to keeping students safe online at Kingsthorpe College, we are delighted to invite you to a parents' "E Safety" workshop on Tuesday 6th February 2018 in the Learning Hub from 6pm to 7pm. Light refreshments will be provided.

The interactive workshop will be led by Simon Aston - the E Safety Officer for Northants County Council. Your son/daughter is likely to use technology at home as well as in school. In school we endeavour to provide the skills to navigate the online world and safety is a very important part of that.

The workshop will be informal and interactive and will include hints and tips on how to keep young people safe online. The workshop will be discussing topics like social networking, online bullying, and what young people can do to keep themselves safe online. The workshop will give you the opportunity to raise and have questions such as the following answered: What is Snapchat, Instagram, Facebook and Vine? What are the positives and negatives? What about Apps? Do I need to monitor them? Is filtering or monitoring what my children do always a good idea? At what age do I buy them a mobile phone? Why is GTA5 not a game for young children? These are amongst some of the questions raised by parents and answered by the E Safety officer.

We would highly recommend that you come and find out why dialogue is such a powerful tool, how filtering may work, how recent research by Northamptonshire Police is very worrying and information which highlights the risks young people face online. You will also be able to discover easy to use techniques to keep your family safe online.

As this workshop will be in high demand, I would be grateful if you could complete the form below and send it back to school by Friday 26th January.

In the meantime, please see some useful websites to look at:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

<http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-and-resources/parents-and-carers>

<http://www.theparentzone.co.uk/parent>

<http://www.vodafone.com/content/parents.html>

<http://ceop.police.uk/>

Yours sincerely,

Scott Wade

Deputy Headteacher

Name.....

Child's Name..... Child's Year Group.....

Tutor Group.....

Please reserve ____ seats for the E Safety Workshop on Tuesday 6th February 6pm-7pm

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