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Dear Parents and Carers

Firstly, I hope that you and your family are safe and well.

During this unprecedented time of remote, home learning I wanted to say thank you for your continued support as parents and carers. I thought it may be useful to communicate a few details with you regarding monitoring and promoting online safety with your children during this time, when screen time will inevitably increase.

I have written to you in the past regarding our partnership with the company National Online Safety. As a certified school, our whole school community has received a complimentary upgrade to their new website. If you do not have a National Online Safety account yet, you can sign up with the link below:

<http://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/oakmoor-school>

When you access the site, please ensure that you select the correct account type from the drop-down menu **'parent'** to allocate you the correct courses. If you have any trouble using the platform, please contact [support@nationalonlinesafety.com](mailto:support@nationalonlinesafety.com) or 08003688061.

The new website still includes the online safety course for parents and carers, along with other resources which include a huge range of online platform guides on the latest social media channels and games.

With this letter and email, I have also attached the following documents for you:

- A basic user guide to help you navigate the new website.
- A parent/carer guide to the online platform app Houseparty. In the current environment, many of us are using different ways to try and keep in touch with our friends and family. One app that has risen in popularity is Houseparty, which gained the no.1 spot on the app store after becoming one of the most downloaded apps since social isolation was introduced. Billed as a 'face to face social network' the platform launched in 2016 but isn't as widely known as Facebook, WhatsApp or Snapchat. The guide is designed to help parents and carers understand exactly what Houseparty is all about.
- Top tips guides for students, parents and carers regarding remote learning.

I hope you find this information informative to use with your children.

Yours sincerely



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