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Dear Parent

Online safety

The use of digital technology to support teaching and learning has always been a strong feature of all schools in the Connect Education Trust. As a result, we loan every pupil from Year 1 to Year 6 a Chromebook, for the duration of his or her time at Grange Park. This enables the school to provide a creative digital solution to learning in the classroom and beyond, and allows all pupils access to the digital skills they need to succeed in the modern world.

As your child is due to be loaned a Chromebook this term, and because at Grange Park we take online safety very seriously, we provide a virtual Parents Online Awareness session which we advise **all** parents to access:

- Parents must register and log on INDIVIDUALLY to be registered as attending the training. (An attendance, engagement and feedback summary is provided to the school).
- The session is 1 hour in duration, without breaks.
- Once the session starts you can pause, fast forward and/or rewind by using the control panel at the bottom of the screen.
- All forms of digital devices can be used to access the session.
- A leaflet outlining the session aims can be found here: https://www.ecplimited.com/Parent%20Carer%20Poster.pdf

The session is available from Friday 8 September to Friday 6 October, by clicking on the link below. Once your details are entered, the session **will start immediately.**

Link to access the session: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5475206600570061398

All Chromebooks have Home Protect installed, a school-safe internet filtering system, but it is still your responsibility to ensure your child uses the device safely. Here are a few tips:

- Monitor your child's use of the Chromebook when not at school.
- Use the Chromebook in a central location at home, rather than behind closed doors.
- Help your child to focus on completing tasks and assignments.
- Ensure that your child understands that he or she should not give personal information to any person or any website without checking with an adult first.
- Ensure the device is not used for any illegal conduct, or statements which are deemed to be advocating illegal activity and/or anti-social purposes, including access to inappropriate internet sites and chat rooms.
- Ensure that any online activity does not bring the school into disrepute.

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- Talk with your child about cyberbullying encouraging him/her to be kind and to communicate clearly online.
- Advise your child that anything they post, text, or upload may be forwarded, copied, and published to anyone.
- Ensure that this equipment is for the sole use of your child, who will use it for educational purposes only.

We will contact you in due course to sign a loan agreement prior to issuing your child's Chromebook.

We look forward to seeing your child develop their digital and independent learning skills in the coming months. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

Sue Denny **Deputy Head teacher**