

Dear Parents,

As part of our on-going efforts to keep you up to date with what your child will be learning we have put together a Computing newsletter giving you an over view the computing curriculum we will be covering in Year 4, along with some useful tips and websites to help you support and keep your child safe our child at home.

Throughout the year your child will be covering many aspects of computing. Please see this overview of some of the areas they are covering broken down term by term.

Year 4 Computing Curriculum	
Autumn Term	Online Safety Effective Searching Animations
Spring Term	Writing for different audiences Coding
Summer Term	Logo Spreadsheets



Useful Websites & Apps

Throughout the year we use a range of websites and apps with the children for research and games. Here is a selection of some of the best ones:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/schools>

<https://trockstars.com/>

<https://www.purplemash.com/login/#/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

White Rose Minute Maths

<https://classroomsecrets.co.uk/>

<https://masterthecurriculum.co.uk/>

<https://www.literacyshed.com/>

<https://www.lovereading4kids.co.uk/>

<https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/>

<https://www.ducksters.com/>

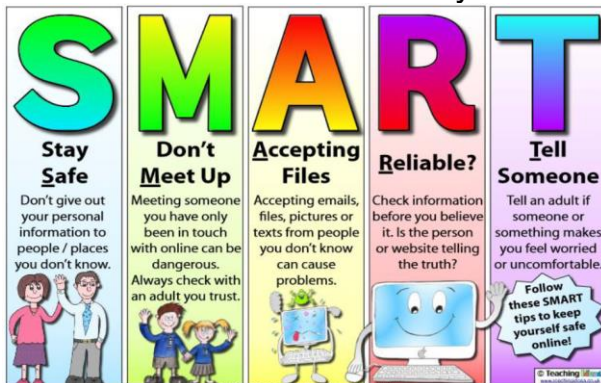
<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/>

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What to do if *****

When using these sites, we are always aware of the need to keep our children safe. Within all lessons we discuss the need to question what it is we are researching and to challenge what the internet tells us (looking for further reinforcement of the information given to prove its authenticity)

We follow the SMART acronym



We encourage children to consider the most appropriate searches and where sites searched for do not meet the required safety checks there is a block on the site enabling us to keep children from seeing inappropriate information.

For further information about how to keep your child safe on the internet there are a range of sites you may want to look at.

1. <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>
2. <https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>
3. <https://www.internetmatters.org/>
4. <https://www.childnet.com/>
5. <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>