eSafety at Manland Primary School – Follow-up

Following the success of our eSafety week here in school, we thought it might be useful to reiterate the following:

In school we provide the pupils in our care with a safe and secure online environment. Parents and carers,on occasions, do seek advice on how they can best help their children to 'Stay Safe' online outside of school. We have had a request for a suggested list of websites to help you seek further help and advice. It goes without saying that, once parents and carers have a wider knowledge and understanding of the issues facing children when online, they can then decide for themselves what is right for their own family circumstances. Listed below are a number of helpful websites that provide comprehensive information about online safety. Please understand that this is not an exhaustive list but is intended to be a starting point in the quest to keep your children safe online.

The internet is an exciting and fun place for adults and children alike to use and explore educationally and socially. The challenge for every parent, carer and teacher is to make sure that our children are aware of and understand how to be safe when using the internet and other related technologies.

Here then, are some useful websites that parents and carers may find helpful:

>www.thegrid.org.uk/eservices/safety/parents.shtml

>www.childnet-int.org- A non-profit making organisation working directly with children, parents and teachers to ensure that the issues of online child protection and children's safe and positive use of the internet are addressed. Childnet International produce an online CD guide specifically for parents KnowITAll – **>www.childnet-int.org/kia/**

>www.thinkuknow.co.uk- The Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP) Centre has set up its own educational website which has been designed and written specifically for children, young people, teachers, parents and carers.

>www.getsafeonline.org/- A beginners guide to using the Internet safety, including a quiz and some video tutorials about how to 'stay safe' on-line.

>www.kidsmart.org.uk/- Kidsmart is an award winning internet safety website for parents and those working with children. It has been developed by the children's internet charity Childnet International and has excellent information on many of the technologies used by children, with guidance on how to 'stay safe' online.

http://consumers.ofcom.org.uk/2011/10/advice-for-parents/- Managing your Media – Good Ofcom online safety video and guide for parents/carers

www.bullying.co.uk- One in five young people have experienced bullying by text message or via email. This website gives advice for children and parents on bullying.

http://parents.vodafone.com/- Vodafone have developed this website in conjunction with mumsnet. It is very accessible and provides information and guidance for parents in helpingthem to understand their child's digital world and to become more involved. How much do you know?