

11 February is Safer Internet Day

What is Safer Internet Day?

Safer Internet Day is an EU-wide initiative supported by the European Commission to promote a safer internet for all users, especially young people. It will take place on Tuesday, 11 February 2020. Safer Internet Day is a great way for schools to set aside some time in their

calendars each year and do something to promote internet safety among pupils, teachers and parents. Last year, over 140,000 young people participated in Safer Internet Day. There are lots of ways you can get involved. Visit the Webwise Safer Internet Day Hub for ideas and inspiration: bit.ly/SaferInternetDay2020.

Online Safety Checklist

With Safer Internet Day just around the corner, Webwise have developed a helpful online safety checklist for teachers. Here are some ways schools and teachers can help promote a better internet!

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ONLINE SAFETY CHECKLIST FOR TEACHERS



1. GET INFORMED

Get started by familiarising yourself with the school Acceptable Use Policy (AUP). Keep up to date with trends and issues via webwise.ie



2. FREE RESOURCES

Introduce online safety into the classroom using the FREE Webwise Resources. Lessons cover topics including cyber-bullying, image-sharing and more.



3. SAVE THE DATE

Get students involved in online safety by signing up for Safer Internet Day, celebrated every February. webwise.ie/saferinternetday



4. INVOLVE PARENTS

Introduce parents to the webwise.ie/parents hub or host an online safety evening for parents using the Webwise Parents talks.



5. PRIVACY CHECK

Everyone has a right to privacy. Help protect yourself online by doing regular privacy checks and keep up to date with advice from webwise.ie/teachers.



6. LEAD BY EXAMPLE

Modelling good behaviour is one of the most powerful ways to educate young people. For more information and details on further training and support visit: webwise.ie/teachers.

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