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Dear Principal,

Online Safety – Easter Holidays 2022

As parents, we need to have open and honest conversations with our children about the dangers that may be online.

When our children go outside to play, we ask who they are playing with and what they are doing. We need to consider doing the same thing for when our children engage online.

Are they speaking to somebody within a game or on social media that is a genuine friend of theirs, or is it an adult impersonating a child to try and groom your child in some way?

Alongside our colleagues at Parenting NI, we have made a video for how parents can talk to their children about what they are doing online.

I would encourage you to share this video with parents, ahead of Easter break. Please see link to video here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9cqXUcOPs_M

Many thanks,

Kerry Brennan

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