Safe Passwords Years 3-4

Dear Parents,

We are writing to inform you about your child’s recent lesson on the importance of creating safe and secure passwords. As your child becomes more familiar with using technology, it is essential for them to understand how to create strong passwords to be safe online.

What is a strong password?
A strong password is a combination of uppercase and lowercase letters, numbers, and symbols that is difficult to guess.

Your child learnt the following tips for creating a strong password:
- Make it long (more than 8 characters)
- Use some capital letters, numbers, and symbols
- Do not use your own name or a pet’s name
- Use a combination of random words.

What can you do to help your child create a strong password?
Parents can help their child create a strong password by explaining the importance of online security, working with them to create a strong password, and monitoring their online activities to ensure they are using safe online practices.

You can also keep the conversation going. Here are some suggestions:
- Ask your child to explain why using their name or a pet’s name can make a password unsafe
- Ask your child to explain why adding capital letters, numbers and symbols can help to make a password safe
- Have a conversation about why it is important to keep passwords secret and why passwords are not to be shared with anyone, including friends and family members.

We hope that you find this information helpful in reinforcing your child’s learning about safe and secure passwords. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

[School Name]