## **SAFER INTERNET DAY 2019**

Safer Internet Day 2019 was officially held on Tuesday 5th February. The theme for this year is ‘Together for a better internet’. The purpose of the day is to encourage students to develop critical skills to help them navigate our world online.

There are 4 critical skills required to navigate the online world. These are known as the 4R’s and include;

\*RESPECT - Treating others the way we would like to be treated.

\*RESPONSIBILITY - Being accountable for my actions online and to speak up and take a stand when we feel something written online is wrong.

\*REASONING - When we question what is real about an online situation.

\*RESILIENCE - Bouncing back from a tough time played out online.

**Activity 1**

View Case Study 2 - Making Threats. Then answer the questions below.

1. What was the result of Tom’s actions?
   1. Tom was placed on probation for using the internet to harass someone
2. What does probation mean?
   1. Report to a probation officer
   2. Attend counselling
   3. Stay out of trouble
3. What can you do to prevent yourself or others making threats online?
   1. Don’t use Social Media
   2. Think before you send

**Activity 2.**

View Case Study 3 - Defamation. Then answer the questions below.

1. In your own words what does defamation mean?
   1. Defamation is when you post false or misleading information in an attempt to damage a person or company’s reputation
2. Why was it wrong for Louisa to vent her frustrations on social media?
   1. Her actions could cause damage to the company’s reputation
3. Do you think the company’s reputation was damaged? Why or why not?
   1. Yes. Louisa had 842 friends who would have seen the message, and some of them may have forwarded the message to their own friends and followers
4. What happened to Louisa for acting irresponsibly and saying terrible things about her work place through social media?
   1. She was fired
5. True or false? Is the person who repeats a rumour online equally responsible for spreading the rumour, as the person who first started it?
   1. True.