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Dear Parent/Guardian,

In Year 4, 5 and 6, the children will continue to explore online safety and the worlds that can be unlocked using a class blog. In the past year, the blogs have provided some exciting and unique opportunities and contacts to extend the children's learning.

A blog is website that you can create where you can post anything you want. As a class blog, it will be used to post questions to the children and children can post questions to the world. It can also be used to share photographs of work that they produce and children can leave comments about each other's work.

Addressing areas of the new curriculum, class blogs enable children to communicate with the world and open their classroom to everyone! The blogs used are designed for schools and there are many safety features embedded into the use of them. The class teacher is the administrator of the blog and everything has to be approved by them, whether it is a comment from a child, parent or someone from around the world. Nothing will be published onto the blog until the teacher has deemed it acceptable. We never publish photos of our children online.

Please visit the old Year 4 website, wpsmouse.edublogs.org (no www.), if you are interested in seeing how the class blog will be used.

I am offering a short meeting next Tuesday 13th September at 3:45 for around half an hour, where the safety and learning potential of blogs will be shown. If you have any questions, concerns or just want to know more, please return the attached slip to confirm attendance.

Mr Cooper

Year 4 teacher/Computing Co-ordinator/Online-Safety Officer



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Safety & Learning Potential of Blogging

Meeting on Tuesday 13 September at 3.45pm

Child's Name:

Year:

We/I would like to attend the above meeting.

Signed:

Date: