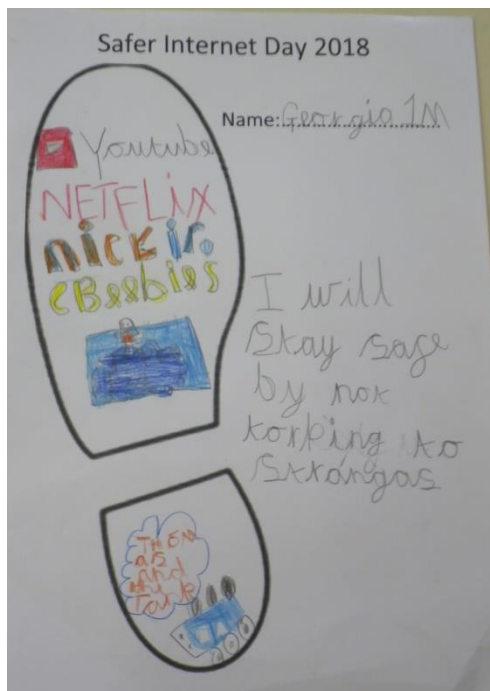# Walk this way….

Year 1 discussed the websites they visited and how to keep safe on line. They have started their digital footprint which will last a life time and probably beyond.

A **digital footprint** is a trail of data you create while using the Internet. It includes the websites you visit, emails you send, and information you submit to online services.

A passive **digital footprint** is **created** when data is collected without the owner knowing, whereas active **digital footprints** are **created** when personal data is released deliberately by a user for the purpose of sharing information about oneself by means of websites or social media.

How do you erase your digital footprint?

There are a variety of techniques you can use to reduce the digital trail that you leave:

1. Check all your privacy settings. ...
2. Remove old accounts. ...
3. Unsubscribe from mailing lists. ...
4. Register with a different email address. ...
5. Use stealth mode when browsing. ...
6. Think before you post. ...
7. Tor browsing. ...
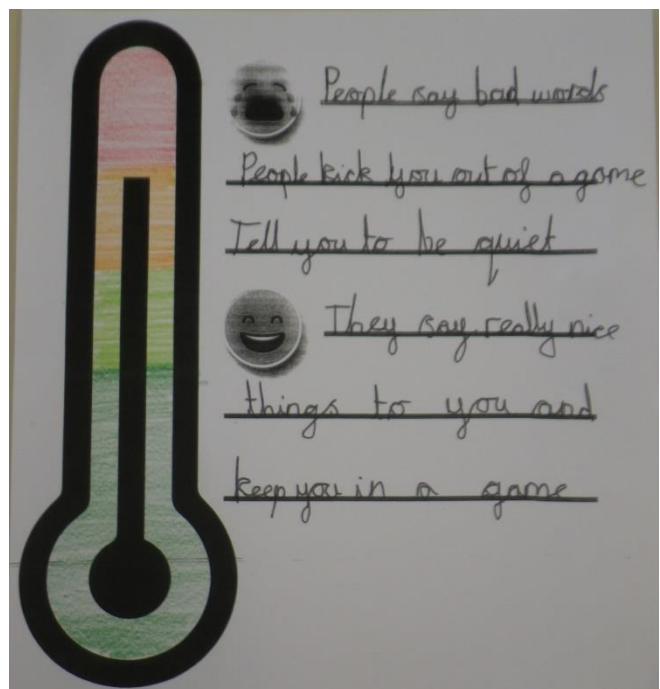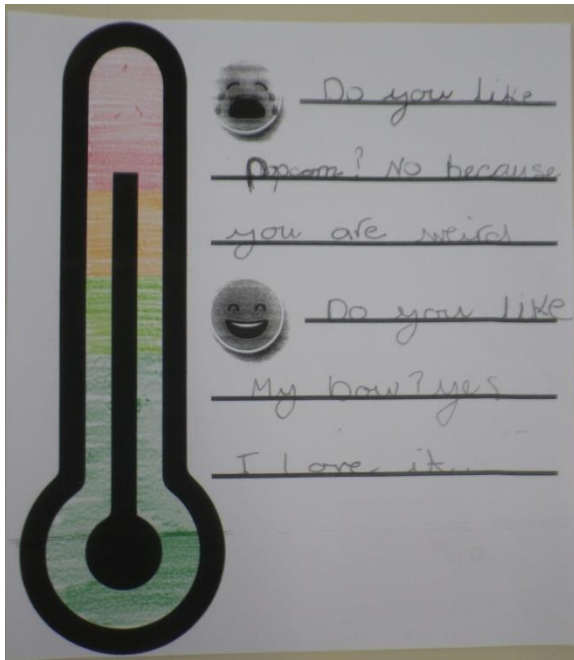8. Use anti-tracking tools.

Check this site out:

http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/digitalfootprints/

Dear mum and dad EdTechReview™ article 1st March 2017

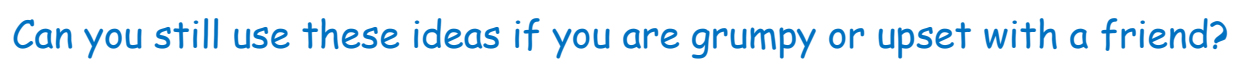## Interesting Facts on Digital Footprint and Reputation

1. It is hard to keep a good digital footprint because everything you do online will never be deleted.

2. Everything you do is stored in a remote area that you may never have known about.

3. You can do anything to get these erased but they never will be erased.

4. If you visit a website, the website usually looks at what websites you were on before and after you looked at theirs.

5. Anything that you search on Google can be looked up.

6. If you want a job in the future but you have a negative digital footprint, even though you would have gone to college to specialize in its chances are you're not getting it.

7. About 33% of all colleges research your digital footprint

8. Everything you do online today will be recorded, stored, and analysed to determine your reputation score which will be updated instantly and used to predict your behaviour. This will then have huge consequences for your career business & every other aspect of your life.

9. Negative comments, reviews, unorthodox pictures, and more can all leave a scar on our reputation no matter how long ago it was posted, said, etc

10. 22. 75% of companies have formal policies that require their recruiters to do online research when screening candidates for a position.

Year 3 discussed how to comment online –

The good, the bad and the ugly.

Good things

Bad things

Year 2 were challenged to design some simple guideline for online usage

Can you still use these ideas if you are grumpy or upset with a friend?

What would happen if you didn't follow these helpful tips? Ask year 6.

The year 6 children grouped themselves into teams and then the acting began. Each scenario started so well but you guessed it – one small mistake, a simple remark and the situation exploded…

Each drama group created the action, examined the consequences and designed an ending. Mr Howard and Miss Lindsay were very impressed with the attitude and involvement of children. Well done.

Ending line from a year 6 script, *"Mum, dad I need you advice."*

Do you have the knowledge to help?

Check out the school board for more examples from Safer Internet Day.