



Millbrook Junior School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 5 and 6 children have been invited to participate in 'BCS (BBN Branch) Cyber Challenge 2024' which is a competition that has been running since 2013 and is open to all local education authorities.

This year the task for **Year 5** focuses on Online Safety.

They need to create an educational resource that promotes the positive aspects of online talking and messaging but also helps people to understand when online behaviour could become inappropriate and risky. The resource must send out a safe online message so that people feel empowered to deal with uncomfortable situations online.

The task for **Year 6** focuses on dealing with Cyberbullying.

They need to create an educational resource that shows young people how to deal with Cyberbullying and what could be done to prevent it in the first place. The resource must send out a safe online message so that people feel empowered to deal with Cyberbullying in a safe and sensible way.

If your child is interested in entering this competition then please give consent via school gateway. Your child will need to complete this task at home and email their completed task to lima@millbrookjuniors.co.uk by Monday 3rd June so that their work can be submitted before the deadline.

The rules that BCS have set for this competition are:

- Students may work individually, in pairs or teams of no more than 4
- Participants are students from year 5 to 10 and they enter the competition according to their year group
- Students submit through the responsible schoolteacher
- Students can use Scratch, Kodu, EduBlocks, or any suitable programming language

Students are reminded:

- To be e-aware and avoid music or images that are subject to copyright restrictions
- All work must be original and done with minimal help of teachers or parents (help given must be notified on the entry form)
- That during the production students should follow the normal rules of safety and not reveal any personal details online (e.g. Scratch) and all work should be polite and respectful
- That the judges' decision is final.

Dream, Believe, Aspire, Achieve



Judges will be looking for:

- Creativity
- Selection use, combination and presentation of images and text
- The appropriate choice and use of programming instructions and should include:
Custom blocks, Loops and Variables
- The clarity of the finished presentation in demonstrating improved learning outcomes

The prizes include: trophies, medals and other goodies which will be awarded at Cranfield University in 4 July 2024.

I look forward to seeing the amazing creations that are produced!

Yours sincerely

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Computing Lead