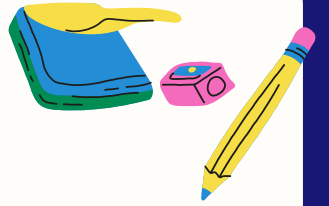# Punggol Cyber News

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Buzzin!

Let's take a look at the exciting things that happened in our PPS Cyber Realm.

Staying Safe Online

For two weeks from 25 October to 4 November, the Cyber Savvy Pop Up Machine was placed in Punggol Primary School and provided an interactive experience for our students. With the objective of cultivating good online habits in the students, the display panels and the interactive games were well-received. Students were engaged and eager to try their hands on the interactive game.

How to stay safe online

The students looked through the display panels to arm themselves with practical tips on how to stay safe online. They learnt how to ward off viruses and armed themselves with anti-virus protection methods. Here are some of our students' reflections.

"We need to use anti-virus software to keep us safe online."
LIM WAN YING - 5R

"Social media is more dangerous than you think."
LAU XIN HUI APPLE - 2J

"Protect my devices and do not click on suspicious links or to give my personal information to other people."
TAN LIANG XING, ADELE - 4J

Click on photo to view an interview with Lavanessh - 6S

Safety tips for all

SPOT SIGNS OF PHISHING

To prevent yourself from becoming a victim of phishing scams, learn to spot signs of phishing. Look out for mismatched information such as website and email addresses that are misleading. Be wary of messages that you are not expecting, especially if they ask for your personal information, and with urgent 'calls to action'.

Remember: You should not reveal your personal information to strangers over the phone. When in doubt, seek the advice of your family or a trusted adult.

UPDATE YOUR SOFTWARE PROMPTLY

Software and apps updates contain important security fixes that can help keep your devices safe. For convenience, enable automatic updates, or schedule updates to install overnight when your device is plugged in.

SET STRONG PASSWORDS AND ENABLE TWO FACTOR AUTHENTICATION (2FA)

Create a strong password with:
- At least 12 characters
- Uppercase and lowercase letters
- Numbers and symbols

Try creating a passphrase based on a memory unique to you. E.g. learntoRIDEabicycle@5

Enable 2FA as an extra layer of protection, which can be in the form of a code sent to your phone or biometrics (e.g. your fingerprint).

Remember:

Use different passwords across your online accounts

Do not use your personal information (e.g. name, birthdate, NRIC) in your passwords

Never share your passwords and OTP with others

If you suspect that your account has been compromised, change your password immediately.

USE AN ANTI-VIRUS SOFTWARE

Install a reputable anti-virus software on your devices to scan and remove malware and block unsafe websites.

Spot the signs of Phishing, Update Your Software, Set Strong Password, Use an Anti-Virus Software images courtesy of Cyber Security Agency.

For more information on how to spot scam and phishing mails, you may refer to:
Gosafeonline Singapore
https://www.facebook.com/gosafe online

To take a look at the virtual pop up booth, you may click on the following link:
https://for.edu.sg/gosafeonline-np