

Agenda

- 6PM : Key note speaker— Dawnalyn Kann,
Child Psychologist

- 7PM : Q&A session: Ask Dr. Kann about
your personal concerns

- 7:15 : Discussion
Forum—Break out into
groups and discuss
personal situations,
gain feedback and tips
from other parents

- 7:30PM : The
Floor is Yours—share
your own experiences with the other par-
ents if you have personally dealt with an
issue concerning Internet Awareness

- 8PM : Refreshments



Dr. Dawnalyn Kann has her doctorate in Child Psychology from Penn State University. She is highly respected in her field.



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**Pivik Elementary
Presents:**

Miss Christeson's 2nd Grade

Community Internet Awareness Night



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A Note from Miss C.

Tonight is a night about Internet Safety Awareness. It is crucial to be informed about what your student is viewing on the internet. The internet is very informational, but it can also be dangerous in more than a few ways. False information is the least of the problems, as predators are on the rise in the virtual world. Staying informed about their tactics is one way to avoid potential scary situations.

- TALK TO YOUR KIDS—sometimes the easiest prevention is keeping them informed about



how to avoid these situations

- MONITOR THEIR COMPUTER USE—sometimes kids won't realize a threat or problem until

too late, so make sure they know their parents care

- CHECK FOR THEIR SAFETY—social networking, text messages, chat rooms, webcam chats, gaming, and file sharing are all potential problem areas

TIPS

Help children stay safer online



Keep your children safer online by being familiar with the technology and applications that they use to talk with one another.

- Know who your child is communicating with online.
- Open a family e-mail account to share with younger children.
- Work with your child to brainstorm screen names and e-mail addresses that do not contain information about gender, identity, or location, and that avoid being suggestive.
- Teach your child never to open e-mails from unknown senders and to use settings on IM programs to block messages from people they do not know.
- Be aware of other ways your child may be going online—with cell phones, laptops, or from friends' homes or the library.
- Tell your child not to share passwords with anyone but you to help avoid identity theft and cyberbullying.

Familiarize yourself with popular acronyms at sites

like www.netlingo.com and www.noslang.com

TIPS

Help protect children from predators

There is no greater risk to a child's safety than an online predator who wishes to meet in person. Help teach your children to identify predators' methods for online enticement.

- Your child should NEVER meet face-to-face with anyone they first met online without your permission and/or attendance.



- Take an interest in your child's online activities and know

with whom he or she is communicating.

- Teach your child to refrain from talking about sex with anyone they meet online.
- Do not hesitate to ask questions, especially if your child is acting suspiciously.
- Teach your child not to reveal personal information.
- Approve all photos and videos before your child posts them online. Make sure they do not reveal identifying information and are not sexually provocative or inappropriate.

Look for warning signs. If you feel your child is in danger, make a report

to www.cybertipline.com and contact your local law-enforcement agency immediately.