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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are pleased to share with you an important leaflet produced by Bracknell Forest, designed to help primary-aged children—especially those in Years 5 and 6—recognise and respond to misinformation and disinformation online. In today's digital world, children are exposed to a wide range of information, and it is more important than ever that they develop the skills to think critically and safely navigate the media they encounter.

Research from the National Literacy Trust shows that children often turn to their parents and families for guidance on these issues, sometimes even before speaking to their friends. By reading and discussing this leaflet together, you can help your child build the confidence and skills they need to question what they see online, spot false information, and make informed decisions.

We encourage you to use this leaflet as a starting point for conversations with your child about what they see and hear online. Talking openly about these topics can help your child feel supported and better equipped to deal with misinformation and disinformation.

We also encourage you to explore the [Internet Matters Fake News and Misinformation Advice Hub](#). This website offers practical tips, interactive quizzes, and resources to help families talk about misinformation and develop critical thinking skills together. Internet Matters is a not-for-profit organisation supported by leading media firms, including BT, Sky, Virgin Media and Google. Their advice is trusted and regularly updated to reflect the latest challenges facing children and families online.

Thank you for working with us to support your child's digital wellbeing and critical thinking skills.

Kind regards
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