

Delhi Public School Numaligarh
Alert Notice to all parents, guardians, teachers and staff

Dear All,

It is a matter of great concern to us all that the Internet is no longer a safe haven for our children. Time and again we have been made aware of the risks involved in the usage of this modern age technology. No doubt that it has its immense contribution in the fast-paced learning outcomes for children as well as adults. Our students are made aware of the possibilities of becoming victims of cyber crimes. Parents and guardians alike are wary of the prolific use of smart phones which has easy access to cyber games and without realizing it, our children go through e-addiction syndrome.

In this context, I would like to bring to your notice that there are many such online teen trend games on the internet you should be wary of and make sure your children never play them. If any teenager (11 to 19 years of age) is using any internet in your family or around, then alert them to a Facebook or Whatsapp game called Blue Whale. The extreme harmfulness of this game has already been highlighted by media and factual reports.

The measures that can be taken by us all at this juncture are as follows:

- **Do not access or accept any invite to any link that looks suspicious. Such links must not be opened at any cost. Please do not open any link that you don't know.**
- **Do not open such links which entice you with money or gifts.**
- **Don't give mobile phones to children unless it is under adult supervision. There are many more such games such as the salt and Ice challenge, the choking game and lip pouting games etc. which can prove to be extremely harmful.**
- **Please promote safe and responsible use of technology resources. Have discussions on the topic at home . Look for signs in your ward which may look irregular. Be alert, be aware at all times.**

It is always better to be fore-armed because it is better to be safe than sorry. Let us all work towards building a safe environment for our children.

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Principal

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