

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Your child has participated in an online program titled, "Digital Passport". It is a series of five lessons that teach digital literacy and citizenship. The first lesson the 3rd graders explored was what it means to be responsible to and respectful of their offline and online communities as a way to learn how to be good digital citizens. In lesson two 3rd graders learned how they can protect themselves from online identity theft and to think critically about the information they share online. During lesson three we learned that they may get online messages from other kids that can make them feel angry, hurt, sad, or fearful. We identified actions that will make them Upstanders in the face of cyberbullying. Lesson four we learned strategies to increase the accuracy of our keyword searches and make inferences about the effectiveness of the strategies. In the final lesson we learned that copying the work of others and presenting it as one's own is called plagiarism. We also learned about when and how it's ok to use the work of others. Each lesson was accompanied by a game to help them understand the concepts. They can access Digital Passport at www.digitalpassport.org and click on the Student Login link to play any of the games. Their username and password are the same as the username and password they use to log on to our school network.

Please visit Common Sense Media at www.commonsensemedia.org/ It is a non-partisan, not-for-profit organization that provides trustworthy information and tools, as well as an independent forum, so that families can have a choice and a voice about the media they consume.

Together we can make a difference!

Sincerely,

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