Online Safety Calendar for Teachers

September	October	November	December
Make sure you start the new school year off to a good start. • Sign up to the Webwise Newsletter to keep up-to-date with events and competitions. • Update your Acceptable Use Policy using our free AUP generator • Introduce internet safety to the classroom using our free resources • Host Internet Safety Talk for Parents in your school. • Nominate a Safer Internet Day Ambassador for your school? • Check out the Teachers page complete with great advice and resources. • Link our Parent's Guide to a Better Internet on your school's website.	Halloween can be a scary time. Why not talk to students about staying safe from online dangers like online exploitation? • Our post-primary resource 'Be in Ctrl' can empower students to stay safe from online exploitation and sexual coercion. • It is World Teachers' Day on the **5th of October** - make sure your students know you are always there to talk • It is World Mental Health Day on the **10th of October** - a great time to promote a positive and inclusive environment in your school using Up2Us Anti-Bullying Poster Pack with students.	Before the Christmas season rolls in, make sure you get your Safer Internet Day committee together and make your Safer Internet Day plans! • Share your SID plans, be added to our event map. and get Safer Internet Day wristbands for your participants. • Why not organise a talk with a local Garda? Contact the Garda Schools Programme! • Don't forget to follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram for news and updates. • It is also Universal Children's Day on the **20th of November**! Share the positivity and have a Smile Week.	It is Christmas time again! Before school breaks for the holidays, give parents some useful resources. • Parents or guardians are buying technology for Christmas? Share this helpful Guide to Buying Smart Devices • Read our Considerations for Smartphone Use in your School and consult with your school community. • New tablet for Christmas? Here is some Advice for First Time Tablet Use. • It is Humans Rights Day on the **10th of December**. Make sure your students build empathy and respect for each other using our resources.

January	February	March	April
Are your plans in place for Safer Internet Day? Safer Internet Day is just around the corner! We want every school in the country to celebrate making the internet a better place for all. • Check out our amazing SID competition! • Have you registered your plans for Safer Internet Day 2019? Get on our amazing Event Map! • The Little Things campaign takes place this month. #Littlethings is the national mental health and wellbeing campaign so #BeInCtrl of your life online and don't let social media be a daymaker or a daybreaker. Check out these great top tips for online wellbeing by your youth panelists. • Send you SID snaps to us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram!	It is finally here. **Safer Internet Day 2019** is celebrated on the **5th of February**. Schools, clubs and organisations all around Ireland are getting involved • Celebrate Safer Internet Day with us! Hold a Safer Internet Day talk, presentation, poster competition, essay contest, game, radio show, drama, animation or more! Watch last years SID 2018 highlight video! • Share our thunderclap on Twitter. • Download or order our new Webwise Primary Interactive resource! • Promote a positive and better internet for all by using our resources and activities on our Safer Internet Day page.	This month starts off with World Book Day on the 1st. What better way to start this month by helping your students develop their digital literacy skills. • It's International Day of Happiness on the 20th of March. Make sure you share positivity online and offline. • It is World Poetry Day on the 21st of March. Why not write an internet safety poem and send it in to us? • Did you enter our Safer Internet Day 2019 competition? Stay tuned for details! Winners announced soon. • Check out all the amazing events that took place around Ireland for Safer Internet Day!	Don't be anyone's April Fool, learn all about Fake News, Copyright and how to share information appropriately and considerately. • Make sure you aren't an April's fool by falling for Fake News. • Keep your students savvy by teaching them critical thinking skills. Download this handy critical thinking checklist. • Did you know that on the 23rd of April it is World Book and Copyright day? Teach your students all about copyright and how to share appropriately using our SHARE checklist. • World Autism Awareness Day is the 2nd of April. All of our resources are differentiated with students with special educational needs.

May	June	July	August
On the 15th of this month, it is International Day of Families. What a great time to talk about how parents can get involved in their child's online safety • Hold a parents evening and give them all the relevant information using our Internet Safety Talk for Parents Presentation. • Let parents know about the great resources available to them in our Parents Hub • Our 'Have the Chat' section has helpful conversation starters for those tricky conversations • Our Youth Panelists provide some fantastic advice on apps and online wellbeing on our Youth page. • Teach your students how to be a digital citizen with our Developing Digital Skills series.	Get your students working together and finding fun activities to further their education online. • Get your students working together on an online storybook. Try mystorybook.com for a fun and educational project. • Get your students searching for information using our Ten Steps to Better Web Research. • Teach your students the benefits of collaboration using our infographic. • Have you seen our Classroom Videos? We are sure there is something perfect for your classroom. • The LGBTQ Pride event is on from June 20th - 29th 2019. Our resources are LGBTQ friendly. Try our UP2US resource.	Have a digital spring clean! Have you old social media accounts or used to be a member of an old forum? Do a quick google search of your name or username and deactivate old accounts. • Teachers can find out how to manage their online reputation here. • July 30th is International Day of Friendship, show your students these top tops for making friends online. • Get your students thinking about their digital footprint by downloading our Online Reputation Checklist. • Parents can talk to their children about managing their online reputation by using our helpful talking points. • As school finishes up for the holidays, make sure parents are mindful of sharenting.	The Webwise Safer Internet Day Ambassador Programme recruitment will be starting shortly. • Find out about the SID Ambassador Programme here. • It is International Youth Day on the 12th of August! Find out about the amazing opportunities, events and experiences we have for young people on our Youth page. • Watch our #BeInCtrl video, created by the Webwise Youth Panelists and Safer Internet Day Ambassadors. • Help is always close at hand, keep this list of helplines handy.