



Monday 19th April 2021

Dear Parents / Guardians

As part of the summer term's foundation project 'Enterprise', children in Year 5 and Year 6 will be learning how to use computer modelling. Our intention is to use Autodesk Tinkercad, a free and web-based application for 3D design, electronics, and coding that encourages creativity, critical thinking, and collaboration. This means that students may access and work on their designs at school and at home using almost any computer that connects to the internet, without having to install any software.

In order for children to save and share their work, we will create generic 'class seats' (limited student accounts) for each class. In line with GDPR and the Sun Hill Junior and Perins MAT e-safety policy, these student sub-accounts will not be identifiable by name and will be created in 'safe mode', moderated by the class teacher. This mode removes the ability for a student to make their design 'Public', remaining 'Private' by default (so that only student and teacher may edit, and make or see comments). It also removes the ability to browse the public 'Gallery' using search and limits the Gallery view to the curated 'Staff Favourites'.

You can view the Autodesk Tinkercad Privacy and Security statement at

<https://www.tinkercad.com/privacy>

At the end of the summer term, all accounts will be deleted. In the meantime, children will be able to access their design work from home throughout the summer term. On completion of the project, the children's finished designs and models will be printed-out as a record of their learning.

We intend to use our school Chromebooks to access the site, however some children may find it easier to navigate the tools if they are able to bring in and use a USB mouse and/or headphones. If you happen to have any spare at home that they are able to borrow, we would be very grateful.

As always, we are very grateful for your support,

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