The Power of social media

Have you seen the homework? The homework everyone is talking about! It is such a great idea! I bet you the parents of the children were so happy. Homework is a kick in the leg for parents that work late and then come home to help their kids. Darkley Primary School has shown such determination to help pupils and out of nowhere they give out homework that right now it is going “VIRAL!!” all over the world.

Little did Darkley know that a parent posted a picture of the homework and since that moment, it has just gone viral? People all over the world have seen this such as Australia, England and U.S.A. “Just think if you posted a picture out of nowhere and all of a sudden radio stations want to interview you, how would you feel? I know I would feel like a celebrity. You have to admit that Darkley school has done a super job, haven’t they?

On the homework its says lots of activities for the children to do and one of them was to “spend time with loved ones” which made one child rush home and make their mum a cup of tea. There was plenty of other lovely ideas for the children to complete- different to Literacy and Numeracy. The homework went viral on social media, the post got over 1000 likes in four days on Facebook alone. The photo has even been seen across the world, as far away as Australia! Even celebrities have seen it such as Frank Mitchell who claimed “The homework is AMAZING”.

As we all know and have seen this week social media is taking over the world, everyone uses it. It is so useful, a news report would be published in minutes, it doesn’t cost any money to look at the internet, and all you need is a device and internet connection. The internet is like an encyclopaedia that’s easy used. On the internet you can do your shopping and share photographs worldwide- as we have seen.

However, the internet can be also be a cruel place if you don’t use it carefully. Every day people or businesses get hacked. People using online apps can get cyber bullied as people do every day. Other people try to trick you into giving them important information about yourself and your home. If people get your information they might try to meet you and even try and kidnap you.

To round up this speech, what have we learned? We have learned how Darkley’s great homework went viral in four days but we also learned that the

internet is so quick and so powerful. This is a good and bad thing. I urge you to take advice from today and be careful using social media.

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