

PROJECT ROCKET – STUDENT REVIEWS

Yesterday Year 9 as a group travelled down to the Mercy Campus and we learnt about cyber safety. Some of the things we learnt were about sending inappropriate pictures and that it is not a good idea. Some things they taught us were very helpful and I think they were important for kids our age to know. In addition, we learnt that even if you think things go away nothing on the internet really does because people will always be able to find it.

I think that most people came away from this with more knowledge than what they had before. I think it will be easier for people to stay safe on the internet after learning what we did. We learnt the safety of social media apps and what they are good for. We played a game to win the chocolate bar, then spoke about confidence to go up and talk about an object and then created a list of why people might not have wanted to go up and try and win a chocolate bar.

Logan and Jesse

Year 9 students went down to the stadium from periods 1-3 for the Project Rocket speech. They first started to talk about what they do and whom they are to make us feel comfortable and become somewhat similar toward them. We were asked questions and surveyed here and there about what apps we use on social media and how we feel toward them. A good part of the speech I found was when we did the competition for a chocolate bar because it was funny.

Max Cirigliano

Jayde and Ethan first told us a little bit about themselves. They then asked us who wanted a chocolate bar and nearly the whole grade put their hand up, after telling us the rules and what we had to do to get the chocolate they only just got three people to come up on the stage. The three people had to talk about an object for as long as they could. The winner got the chocolate bar. We then talked about why some people would not have wanted to go up on stage in front of everyone. They also told us about social media and cyber bullying. They showed us some examples of Instagram hate pages and people pretending to be other people. In the end, they told us why we should not make accounts like these and what to do if we see one.

Maddy and Ella

On the 27/8/19 Jayde and Ethan came to the Mercy campus which was a Tuesday. They talked to us about cyber bullying and also to step out of your comfort zone. The first thing they spoke to us was about the things they enjoyed doing and what they like doing on a rainy day.

Ethan spoke to us about his favourite thing to do which was to research thing weird kind of animal that no one has really heard that much about which was called the dugong which was part of the elephant family and could only hold its breath for six minutes under water and liked to eat sea weed grass etc. Jayde spoke to us about her favourite thing to do which was to research John Cena one day she was lucky enough to meet John Cena by writing about why she wanted to meet him within 25 words or less, so she won the competition and finally got to meet him.

After that, they done a competition to win a big chocolate bar. There were three people that got chosen were Max Spain, Lila Japp and myself. So now, all we had to do was describe this toy. I got a

dinosaur, I spoke about it for 41 seconds. Lila spoke for 1.07 minutes and Max spoke for 1.11 minutes, so Max won the chocolate bar.

The next thing they spoke about was cyber bullying and that when you see something that is not good, to not get involved and to never join in with the bullying.

Matthew Burns

On Tuesday the 27th of August, the year nine students viewed a presentation by Jayde and Ethan from Project Rockit. They talked about cyber bullying and how we can prevent it. Some of the things that they talked about regarding cyber bullying included of ways upon which people act differently on the internet compared to face-to-face.

They talked about different ways that people use the internet and how it can be a wonderful thing but can also have a negative impact on a lot of people due to certain actions of individuals.

In the presentation, they asked the cohort about what social media apps they used and why they used them; there were also many great tips about how we should use these platforms properly.

There was a game that consisted of describing some different toys and the winner of that competition won a chocolate bar. Many people did not want to get up and participate in the competition, we had a conversation about why people may not have wanted to get up and these things discussed were shyness, popularity and self-insecurities.

Caterina De Maria, Xander Robinson & Emily Burns

There were two people named Ethan and Jade. At the start, Ethan talked about how he watched David Attenborough films and so a dugong and ended up swimming with it one day. Jade told us about how she loved John Cena and won a competition to meet him. She got a pic with him but her dad photo bombed. They then asked us who wants a chocolate bar and nearly the whole grade put their hand up, after telling us the rules on how to get it and what we had to get it there were only three people left that wanted to go on stage. The three people had to talk about the object for as long as they could. They then talked about the benefits and the disadvantages of social media and about each main social media site.

Lachlan Beggs and Coen Berryman

On Tuesday 27th of August, the Year 9 cohort attended a presentation by Project Rockit Australia. Ethan and Jayde from Project Rockit spoke to us about multiple things, including social media, the online world, cyber bullying, ways to deal with cyberbullying and tackling this harassment in schools.

During the presentation, we were informed about the importance of maintaining a safe internet presence as well as keeping our peers safe online too. This was shown through a particular activity which consisted of a beach ball being punched around the room, from person to person. We later found out that the message behind the activity was more than just having fun, it showed how quickly and widely things online can spread.

A keynote presentation, educated us on the importance of supporting and helping people who are struggling with cyber bullying. Through this, Ethan and Jayde expressed the vitality in reporting and standing up for others who are going through a tough time online.

Matilda and Angelique

Ethan and Jade from project rocket came to our school yesterday the 27th of August to do a presentation to our Year 9 level about a few different things such as, cyberbullying, social media apps, judgement and the affects that it has on us. Before we looked on these topics Ethan and Jade shared stories about themselves so we could get to know them a bit better. To make the presentation more entertaining they did a little competition to win a chocolate bar. At the start of the competition they asked 'who wants to win a free chocolate bar', nearly the whole year level put their hands up, but as soon as they mentioned getting up on the stage and having to compete in a competition that involved talking they could barely get 3 people up on stage because everyone's hands dropped. They used this evidence to explain why our society today is so scared of each other because we are so judgemental and not supportive which makes us less confident and shy. They then moved on and talked about social media apps and how they can be used as a bullying source. In the end Ethan and Jade covered a lot of topics, which made us realise how cyberbullying and bullying in general isn't great and ways to prevent it.

Elise, Georgia and Ella.