



At least 250 students of the Constant Spring Primary and Junior High School in St. Andrew benefitted from an outreach session staged by the Broadcasting Commission of Jamaica (BCJ).

The event, held on the school grounds on Thursday, February 28, was part of a series under the Commission's media literacy project. Some of the topics discussed were: 'The Digital Switchover'; 'Children's Code for Programming'; 'Managing Your Digital Self'; and 'Traditional and New Media'.

Students of grades seven, eight and nine participated in the session, led by the Assistant Executive Director of the BCJ, Karlene Johnson, under the theme: 'The Future is Digital'.

Vice Principal of the school, Michelle Wiggins, expressed appreciation for the visit by the Commission, noting that the students as well as teachers "have gained a lot of knowledge".

"Our students are so technologically inclined and they need to be aware of the risks that they may encounter as young people, because a lot of them are on Facebook and they are not really aware of how dangerous that can be," she said, during an interview with JIS News.

Miss Wiggins, who is responsible for the Junior High Department, said the students will be encouraged to practise what they had learnt, adding that the teachers will continue to encourage students to post positive images and thoughts on their Facebook pages.

She stated that the school would welcome a "follow-up visit" by the Commission to reinforce what was taught.

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