

E-Safety Information – Keeping your child safe online



Due to Covid-19 and school site closures, we are reliant on the internet to keep our lines of communication open and as a learning platform. It is therefore even more important that we track student's use of the internet and ensure they are staying safe online.

Please can you take some time to remind yourselves of what is required to ensure our children and young people are safe online.

It is important to have regular conversations about staying safe online and to encourage children to speak to you if they come across something worrying online.

These resources below provide guidance for parents and carers to keep children safe online. They will, amongst other things, support you to talk to your child about a range of online safety issues, set up home filtering in a child-friendly way and set up age-appropriate parental controls on digital devices. Click (and press ctrl) on the blue links to direct you to the site:

- 'Thinkuknow' by National Crime Agency-CEOP (Child Exploitation and Online Protection) provides resources for parents and carers and children of all ages to help keep children safe online - <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>
- 'Childnet' has developed guidance for parents and carers to begin a conversation about online safety, as well as guidance on keeping under-fives safe online - <https://www.childnet.com/>
- 'Parent Info' is a collaboration between Parent Zone and NCA-CEOP, providing support and guidance for parents and carers related to the digital world from leading experts and organisations - <https://parentinfo.org/>
- 'NSPCC' has guidance for parents and carers to help keep children safe online - <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety>
- 'UK Safer Internet Centre' provides tips and advice for parents and carers to keep children safe online - you can also report any harmful content found online through the UK Safer Internet Centre - <https://reportharmfulcontent.com/>

You can also contact Mr D. Mason (Vice Principal/E safety Co Ordinator) via email - dmason@oswba.co.uk for further advice, guidance and support.