

Useful Websites

Information and Guidance for parents:

<http://www.childnet-int.org/kia/parents/cd/>

Excellent video resource with various language options.

<http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/Parents/Yourchildshealthandsafety/Internetsafety/index.htm>

Lots of information and links to other web-sites.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

Good information site, clearly divided into sections.

<http://www.getnetwise.org/>

Useful website including how-to video tutorials.

Information and Guidance for children:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

Lots of interactive activities for children to do which teach them about using the Internet safely.

<http://www.cybermentors.org.uk/>

Anti-bullying website set up by Beat Bullying Charity that gives young people a chance to chat to other young people who have been trained to advise and help with cyber-bullying issues.

www.childline.org.uk

Well-established charity that provide guidance and advice to children on staying safe and reporting problems.

Child-friendly search engines:

http://www.wisekids.org.uk/Kids_safe_search_engines.htm

Directory of search engines that filter as much inappropriate content as possible.

Reporting problems:

<http://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/>

Information about reporting incidents and problems to the police.

<http://www.iwf.org.uk/>

Organisation that monitors child safety on the Internet.

Internet Safety Tools:

http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/5_7/hectorsworld/Hectors-World-Safety-Button1/

Free download that gives children a button to press that covers the screen if anything inappropriate appears.



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E-Safety

Information for Parents and Carers

Good communication is the key to keeping your children safe on the Internet. Treat the Internet as if it is your kitchen:

- You make it as safe as possible by not leaving boiling pans and sharp knives lying around.
- You supervise your children when they're in there because you know there are dangers.
- You teach your children about what is safe and what isn't.
- You trust your children to follow the guidance you have given them.

Searching the Internet

1. Set a safe search engine as the home page on your Internet browser.
2. Switch on Google safe search and lock it - coloured balls will appear to show that it is locked.
 - a. Step One - Set up a Google account by going to the Google home page and clicking 'sign in' and then clicking 'create an account for free'.
 - b. To switch on safe search click on the wheel symbol in the top right hand corner of the Google home page and clicking 'search settings'.
 - c. Finally set safe search filtering to strong and then choose 'lock safe search'.
3. Switch on YouTube safety mode and lock it.
 - a. This will require a Google account because YouTube is owned by Google - see above for instructions.
 - b. Scroll down to the bottom of the YouTube home page and click on the box that says 'safety'.
 - c. Choose 'on', tick the box that says 'lock safety mode on this browser' then click 'save'.
4. Supervise children's time on the Internet. Make this easy by placing the computer somewhere in the house where you can see what they're doing.
5. Make sure your children feel confident about telling you if they have accessed something inappropriate by accident.
6. Ask your children what they are using the computer for.
7. If you are concerned about what they are accessing then have a look at the Internet history.

Using technology for communication

The Internet and mobile technology allow us to communicate in new and amazing ways but they also pose new risks to children's safety.

What are the risks?

- Children giving personal information to people they don't know.
 - Show them how to set privacy settings.
 - Discuss with them when it is ok to give out information.
 - Encourage them to use nicknames for instant messenger and chat rooms.
 - Explain why it is important to keep passwords safe and secure and to change them regularly.
- Cyber bullying
 - Children need to feel confident to report what is happening.
 - Show them how to block people who send nasty messages.
- Viruses
 - Explain to them that they should delete emails from unknown sources, even if they say they have won something!
 - Explain that they should never open attachments from unknown sources

Important points to remember

1. Almost all devices can now access the Internet and be used for communication including mobile phones and games consoles.
2. Teach your children to 'click clever, click safe':
 - a. Zip It - get your children to keep their passwords and personal information private.
 - b. Block It - make sure your children know how to block people that upset them.
 - c. Flag It - ask your children regularly if they have seen or done anything online that has upset them.