

ONLINE SAFETY



The use of technology, including the internet, is an integral element of learning in our school. To make this as successful and as beneficial as possible for all learners, we expect all children to act safely and responsibly when using technology both within, and outside of, the school environment. In school, we use a filtering system to prevent children accessing inappropriate sites. We also have regular 'online safety' activities to remind children of the importance of keeping themselves safe online.

Here are some tips and useful links to help you to keep your children safe online:

At home, sometimes children can be given unsupervised access to the internet. This, potentially, allows them to access all kinds of society (both good and bad) and bring them virtually into their homes.

Keep your computer in a shared area: Talk to your child about what they are doing online and, if possible, set up your computer in a shared area at home so that you can all share in the wonderful sites that are available online.

Facebook/bebo/Myspace/Twitter: Many of these social media sites have a minimum age limit of 13, so our pupils should NOT be using them.

In school, we ensure that all resources used by the children are age appropriate and suggest that parents check the terms and conditions for the use of online resources and games to ensure that resources used at home are also age appropriate.

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- 6 Check your privacy settings
- 7 If you use social networking sites, remember that it's not a game to add as many people as you can to look more popular!
- 8 Think carefully before uploading photos
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Useful links.

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

http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8_10/games/

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

<http://www.ceop.police.uk/>

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

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/topics/stay-safe>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/13908828>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/articles/stay-safe-useful-links>