



SSYP Newsletter – Edition 1

Welcome All,

I hope you are all keeping well. Due to recent events the Safer Schools and Young Person's Partnership have put together a newsletter containing some information about online safety for parents/carers. This is the first of many which will be sent out during lockdown to help support the local community and help keep children safe.

We will be covering internet safety in this first newsletter.

Whilst our young people are at present spending more time at home, it's very important that we know how to safeguard them while they are using any online platform. Below we have some links to some informative websites so that you feel confident safeguarding them whilst they are at home and online. Some of this information is already available on social media but we hope that you find it helpful.

Thinkuknow is the education programme from NCA-CEOP, a UK organisation which protects children both on and offline. On their website you can explore six different Thinkuknow areas which provide advice about staying safe when using a mobile device or computer, you can use this link to access the site.

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

Use this link to go directly to the parents/carers part of the website.

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

Another useful site is the [NSPCC](#)

The NSPCC have launched a new campaign, Listen To Your Selfie, which aims to teach young people about online sexual abuse and what constitutes a healthy relationship. This campaign

has been funded by BBC Children in Need and features two films where selfies come to life and question a situation;

The Game focuses on a same-sex online grooming scenario.

The Party highlights peer-to-peer sexual pressure and grooming.

Listen To Your Selfie is aimed at helping young people recognise signs when they are being manipulated, controlled or exploited so they feel empowered to take control and make their own decisions to protect themselves. We hope by highlighting this we can help young people feel able to speak up if they are concerned or scared about a situation or relationship.

Whilst children are at home they are still communicating with their friends which will probably be via social media and gaming sites. This may put them at greater risk of online bullying, you can find tools and advice to combat online bullying [here](#).

Internet Matters is a parent/carer focused site containing advice on keeping children safe online. It's also a good port of call for setting up parental controls.

<https://www.internetmatters.org>

And finally, for advice about a range of issues which may affect young people, Childline offers a variety of help and guidance over a wide range of subjects.

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/>

For hints and tips please follow our social media accounts below. You can contact us online or via our website

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