

# ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER



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## HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD WITH STAYING SAFE ONLINE

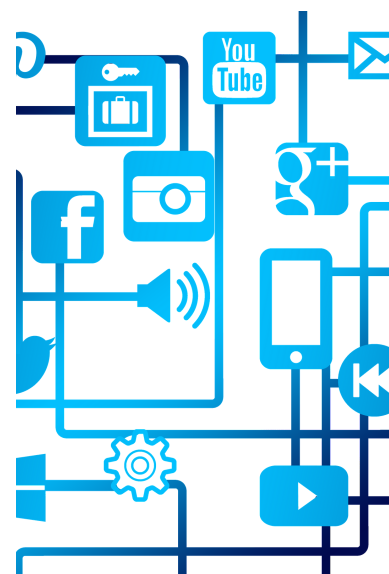
It can be hard to know how to talk to your child about online safety. From setting up parental controls to advice on sexting, online games and video apps. A simple and effective way to get involved with your children and their lives online is through discussion. By maintaining an open dialogue with your child and encouraging them to talk to you about their internet use, parents and carers can help children access amazing resources the internet has to offer whilst keeping them safe online.

Here are some conversation starter ideas you could use:

- Ask your child to tell you about the sites and apps they like to visit and what they enjoy doing online.

- Ask them about how they stay safe online. What tips do they have for you, and where did they learn them? What is OK and not OK to share.
- Ask them if they know where to go for help, where to find the safety advice, privacy settings, how to report or block on the services they use.
- Encourage them to help. Perhaps they can show you how do something better online or they might have a friend who would benefit from their help and support.
- Think about how you use the internet as a family. What could you do to get more out of the internet together and further enjoy your lives online?
- Setting a family agreement- for a template please visit ([www.childnet.com](http://www.childnet.com))

*(Childnet international, 2021)*



**"The internet has amazing resources to keep safe online"**



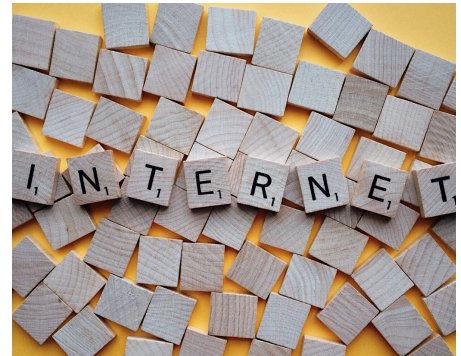
## LSA 'ONLINE SAFETY AMBASSADORS'

I have recently recruited 20 Online Safety Ambassadors which can be identified wearing a grey tie and a pin badge. It was fantastic to see lots of applications and I have selected 4 students from each of the 5 year groups. Their role will include: delivering key messages in tutor time, supporting teachers with online safety tips, help run and plan online safety day and creating helpful and useful resources for students and teachers.

## NATIONAL ONLINE SAFETY APP AND WEBSITE

National online safety has recently launched an app which includes lots of useful guides, videos and webinars on all the latest apps, websites, social media, and video games. You can also access these on their website:

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides>



## SAFER INTERNET DAY – TUESDAY 9TH FEBRUARY 2021

This year's theme for internet safety day is 'An Internet we trust, exploring reliability in the online world'. This will include advice on how young people can separate fact from fiction, looking at what fake news is and how students can identify what is fake and real. This will be delivered during tutor time.

For guides and advice on how to support your child stay safe online please visit our webpage which includes various useful and supportive websites -

<https://www.lythamhigh.lancs.sch.uk/parents/Online-Safety>

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Thank you for your ongoing support.

Mrs Hoyle,  
(Online Safety Lead).

