ONLINE SAFETY AT LSA | JUNE 2021 ISSUE



# **HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD WITH STAYING SAFE ONLINE**

As a parent or carer, you play a key role in helping your child to stay safe online. You do not need to be an expert on the internet to keep your child safe online. Regular discussions with your child around staying safe online is crucial. Firstly, find out what platforms and apps your child is using and think about the following - Are they age appropriate? Are their profiles private? Do they know how to change settings to make them private? Do I know who they are speaking to online? Have you/they made sure that only people who are their contacts can message them and not "everyone"?

#### Useful websites

The online world is evolving constantly, and it is our responsibility to keep up to date with the current apps, games and platforms. If you need help here are some very useful websites to keep you up to date:

## National online safety -

https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides

**Safer Internet** - <a href="https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers">https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers</a>

## NSPCC -

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/

#### Think U Know -

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

## Internet Matters -

https://www.internetmatters.org/

Gov- Child safety Online: a practical guide for parents and carers whose children are using social media <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/child-safety-online-a-practical-guide-for-parents-and-carers/child-safety-online-a-practical-guide-for-parents-and-carers-whose-children-are-using-social-media</a>

#### National Online Safety App

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://nationalonlinesafetu.com/auides

# Online Safety School Ambassadors

Year 7 - 10 online safety ambassadors have been meeting once a week and have recently produced PowerPoints to deliver in tutor groups around the following topics:

- Year 7 TikTok & sharing photos online in school uniform
- Year 8 Cyberbullying
- Year 9 Privacy settings on social media
- Year 10 Dangers of chatrooms

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.

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