



Online Safety Update – December 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Here at The Meadows, we are privileged to have a wonderful group of students with a wide range of needs and abilities.

You may find that some of our Online Safety tips and updates do not seem relevant to your child as they may be unable to access technology unassisted.

However, Online Safety is still a priority for all children and it's good to keep in mind the effect our online behaviour as parents/carers could have on them.

For instance, as we enter the festive season, it can be tempting to post images of our children with their gifts and presents. Keep in mind whether your social media profile is public or private and who could see those images.

Unfortunately some families of children with disabilities have found their images being used to troll and bully them or having been turned into cruel memes.

Additionally, it's worth remembering that once you upload an image to Facebook or Instagram; Meta (the umbrella company who own both) own the rights to the image and technically can sell or allow others to use the image.

If you have any concerns about your child's Online Safety (or any other safeguarding matter), please do not hesitate to contact the pastoral team on 0121 569 7080.