NCSPA Christmas 2022 ESafety update

Giving or receiving a new device for Christmas? Wondering how to set up parental controls to make it safe for your child to use online?

This is the time of year when many new online devices are given and received but it can sometimes be daunting to set them up to make them secure for a child to use. Internet Matters can help. They have simple-to-use walkthroughs for all platforms and devices. You can also use their Set Up Safe tip sheet shown the next page. Check out Internet Matters for more details.

Why are parental controls important?

Parental controls are the names for a group of settings that put you in control of what content your child can see. Combined with privacy settings, these can help you protect your children from inappropriate content, online grooming, cyberbullying and other online safety issues. Remember that parental control settings are only one part of online safety. Make sure to keep having regular conversations about their online lives to stay on top of any issues that come up.

Unsure if a new game is appropriate for your child?

It can be difficult to know if the latest game is age appropriate for your child. PEGI ratings give recommendations but many parents choose to make their own choice. Common Sense Media is a great website that gives trusted ratings with families in mind. It covers games, apps, podcasts as well as books and movies, allowing you to make an informed choice.

Looking to support your SEND child online?

NSPCC has partnered with Ambitious about Autism to bring online safety tips, advice and activities specifically for parents and carers of children with SEND. Check out NSPCC for details.
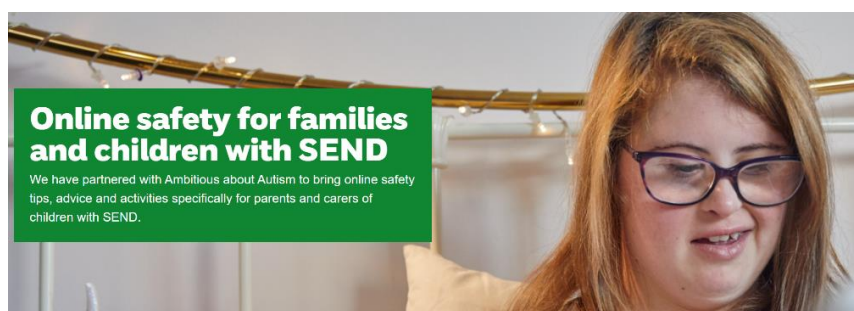
Want to talk about it?

Making space for conversations about life online

2023

Find out more and get involved

Safer Internet Day – 7th February 2023

Newport will again be joining in with the International Safer Internet Day in February. This year the event encourages children to talk about the issues that affect them online and how we could overcome them. For more information check out the website Safer Internet Day 2023 - UK Safer Internet Centre

Online safety for families and children with SEND

We have partnered with Ambitious about Autism to bring online safety tips, advice and activities specifically for parents and carers of children with SEND.

Set Up Safe

Helping parents keep their children safe online.

internet matters.org

We've designed a simple checklist to give you peace of mind regarding your child's safety on the internet.

Set your children's device up before you give it to them so you know they're safe online as soon as they start playing.

Get started

Set parental controls on your broadband to prevent your children seeing things they shouldn't

For smart phones check parental controls are also set up on the mobile network
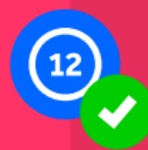
Set up the device safely

Use the device setting so you can only download age appropriate apps and games

Disable location services so your child doesn't unintentionally share their location with others

Set up password control or disable in-app purchasing so big bills are not run up accidentally

Download age appropriate apps you're happy for your child to use

Talk about staying safe

If your children are 8-10 years old, download our parent / child Internet Matters app to help you talk about e-safety issues in an interactive way.

Be aware of key issues and how to discuss them with your children so they know how to stay safe online

If your child is using social networking apps check their profile and privacy settings, making sure they are not sharing personal or private information with people they do not know

Safeguarding at Newport Community School Primary Academy

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Matt Crewe, Deputy Head Teacher.

Our school community is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. All staff, including volunteers, must make sure they are aware of our procedures.

Our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads are:

Laura Kies
Head Teacher

Louisa Buttel
Curriculum Lead

Harriet Vickery
SENDCo

Fran Hemmings
Phase Leader

Additional support:

All staff are alert to the signs of abuse and neglect and follow our procedures to ensure that children receive effective support and protection.

Judy Walters
Safeguarding
Support

NSPCC
HELPLINE
0808 800 5000
help@nspcc.org.uk

ChildLine
0800 1111

The school's website has further information for parents to understand how we safeguard children in school and how parents can support their child/children on learning to be safe, for example:

-NCSPA's Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy

Operation Encompass- this is a national programme which runs jointly between schools and police forces ensures early reporting to schools that a child/young person has been exposed to domestic abuse

Prevent

Prevent is part of the UK government's counter-terrorism strategy, CONTEST. Its aim is to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism.

The Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015 places a statutory duty on specified authorities to have "due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism".

The strategy involves thousands of people – police and intelligence officers, the emergency services, local authorities, businesses, voluntary and community organisations, governments and other partners – working in together across the UK and the world to protect the public.

NSPCC website and specifically the NSPCC PANTS campaign helps children to understand how they keep themselves safe and the PANTS campaign helps parents to talk to children in an age appropriate way about keeping themselves safe from sexual abuse.

risk of children/young people being abused and exploited- how to keep children safe

***child abuse can take a range of different forms**. It is any action by another person (adult or child) that causes harm to a child. It can be defined as physical, emotional, sexual abuse or neglect.

***risk of harm to children/young people is also present in the community**, for example: online safety, cyberbullying, domestic violence and abuse, radicalisation and extremism, child trafficking and modern slavery, County Lines, female genital mutilation, gang activity

***teaching children/young people about how to look after themselves and keep safe**- good physical, emotional and mental health and well-being; being aware of signs and symptoms that may indicate concern for a child; providing time to listen and talk, teaching children about how to keep themselves safe

Devon -

- **Devon Children and Families Partnership has online information for schools and parents** to understand how children may be abused, at risk of exploitation and how we can keep children safe https://www.dcfp.org.uk/child-abuse/
- **National organisations to support children**; for example, Childline, NSPCC