

# PRIMARY LINKS

## INTERNET SAFETY



Parents/Carers may find these useful

**Note:** You should review these resources and links before use to check if they are appropriate for your pupils and in line with your school's ethos and RSE policy.

### GUIDANCE

#### [360 Safe](#)

This free online tool can help schools review their online safety policy and practice and apply for the nationally recognised Online Safety Mark.

#### [Childline - Staying safe online](#)

This page for children and young people includes advice on keeping devices safe online and getting help with online bullying.

#### [Childline - Worries about the world](#)

Aimed at children and young people, this page covers topics like how to deal with worries and supporting a friend who is being bullied.

#### [Department for Education - Teaching online safety in school](#)

This non-statutory guidance from the Department for Education (England) outlines how schools can ensure their pupils understand how to stay safe and behave online as part of existing curriculum requirements.



#### [Internet Matters](#)

Created with industry partners, this website offers age-specific advice on keeping children safe online and includes step-by-step guides for setting up parental controls.



#### [Net Aware](#)

Created by the NSPCC and O2, this guide for parents and carers provides information on the social networks that their children use.



#### [NSPCC - Bullying and cyberbullying](#)

Aimed at parents and carers, this page covers topics like the types of cyberbullying, signs of bullying and what to do if your child is being bullied.



#### [NSPCC - Protecting children from radicalisation](#)

This page features information on spotting the signs of radicalisation and getting help, and advice for parents and carers on talking about terrorism.



#### [O2 and NSPCC - Let's keep kids safe online](#)

Created in partnership with the NSPCC, this page features advice for parents and carers on topics like strangers online, inappropriate content and online addiction.

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### [Parent Info](#)

A collaboration between Parent Zone and the Child Exploitation and Online Protection Command, this website provides support and guidance for parents and carers from leading experts and organisations.

### [South West Grid for Learning - School Online Safety Policy Templates](#)

These flexible templates allow schools to create their own unique and relevant online safety policies that address a range of e-safety issues.

### [UK Council for Child Internet Safety - Education for a Connected World](#)

This framework can help teachers to prepare pupils for digital life and includes information on self-image and identity, online relationships, and privacy and security.

### [UK Council for Child Internet Safety - Sexting in schools and colleges: Responding to incidents and safeguarding young people](#)

Covering topics like preventative education, working with parents and reporting imagery to providers, this guidance can help schools and colleges to deal with the issues that sexting can present.

### [UK Safer Internet Centre - Online safety for NQTs - the ultimate starter pack](#)

Aimed at newly qualified teachers, this blog about teaching online safety covers topics such as sexting, harmful content and protecting your digital reputation.

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

### [BBC - Own It](#)

Aimed at young people, this website features advice on topics like reporting an issue on social media, staying safe online and avoiding account hacks.



### [Children's Commissioner - Digital 5 a day](#)

Parents and carers can use these practical steps to help their children achieve a healthy and balanced digital diet.



### [Common Sense Education - Help Kids Fight Cyberbullying and Other Mean Online Behavior](#)

This page features tips for parents and carers that can help them keep their children safe online.

### [House of Lords Select Committee on Communications - 2nd Report of Session 2016-17: Growing up with the internet](#)

This report and its recommendations follow an inquiry aimed at understanding the issues and opportunities children face as they grow up surrounded by, and interacting with, internet technologies.

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This report found that children in Northern Ireland are more likely to have seen 'hateful content' online than their counterparts in England, Scotland or Wales.

## LEGISLATION

### [Digital Economy Act 2017](#)

This Act requires social media platforms across the UK to follow a code of practice that sets out the actions they must take to protect individuals from bullying, intimidation and insulting behaviour online.

## TEACHING RESOURCES

### [BBC – Own It: Digital footprint: what is it and why should you care?](#)

This short animated video can help young people understand how their digital footprint can affect their present as well as their future.

### [BBC – Own It: How big is your digital footprint?](#)

This quiz can encourage young people to think about the online information that's being collected about them and its potential impact.

### [BBC – Own It: Where are your photos going?](#)

This short animated video can help young people understand the importance of privacy when sharing photos online.

### [Childnet International – Online Safety Posters: A3 posters to download](#)

Aimed at primary and post-primary pupils, these free posters cover topics such as asking an adult for help, being pressured for pictures and thinking critically about what you see online.

### [Childnet International – Primary](#)

Aimed at primary school pupils, these pages feature information about SMART rules and cartoon resource The Adventures of Kara, Winston and the SMART Crew, which can help pupils make safe online decisions.

### [Common Sense Education – Digital Citizenship Week](#)

Teachers can use these American resources to help their primary and post-primary pupils take control of their digital lives.

### [Common Sense Education – Everything You Need to Teach Digital Citizenship](#)

Covering topics such as relationships and communication, these American resources can help primary and post-primary pupils make good choices online and in real life.

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### [Dove - Self-esteem school resources: Confident Me](#)

Aimed at pupils aged 8–16, these teaching materials include videos and worksheets that cover topics like the impact of social media, celebrity culture and advertising.

### [FPA - Growing up with Yasmine and Tom](#)

This online teaching resource (which costs £299 for the first year and then £99 a year) covers topics like cyberbullying and features lesson plans and whiteboard activities aimed at pupils aged 5–11.

### [Google - Be Internet Legends: Internet safety resources](#)

This page features Interland, which is an online game that teachers, parents and carers can use to help children develop the skills to become confident online explorers.

### [Into Film - Online Safety](#)

Working with educators, this charity has created resources that teachers can use to help primary and post-primary pupils stay safe online.

### [Love for Life - Primary Programmes: iSmart](#)

iSmart is an interactive programme for Key Stage 2 pupils. This workshop will help them develop an understanding of the issues that they face online and develop strategies to overcome difficulties that they encounter.

### [Moments A Day - Teach Kids How to Act Online](#)

Featuring discussion questions and printable activities, this page can help teach pupils how to be kind and responsible online and also how to stay safe online.



### [National Online Safety](#)

This website features online training, lesson plans and free downloadable guides for schools, parents and carers to help keep children and young people safe online.



### [Ofcom - Worksheets for children aged 8-11: What does being online mean to you?](#)

Teachers, parents and carers can use these worksheets, which feature Northern Ireland statistics, to help children consider what they do when they're online and how it makes them feel.

### [ProjectEVOLVE](#)

Linked to the UK Council for Internet Safety's framework, Education for a Connected World, this website features resources on topics such as communicating safely, protecting personal data, and using and sharing content.

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This website offers resources that can help pupils to think critically, behave safely and participate responsibly in the digital world.

### [Tes – Digital citizenship: Young peoples’ rights on social media](#)

Created by the Children’s Commissioner for England, Tes and Schillings, the teaching pack for 7–11 year olds on this page can help pupils to become more empowered digital citizens.

### [Thinkuknow – Jessie and Friends: online safety education for 4-7s](#)

This animated series aims to help 4–7 year olds develop the knowledge, skills and confidence they need to help them stay safe from sexual abuse, exploitation and other online risks they may encounter.



### [Thinkuknow – Parents homepage](#)

This page features home activity packs and advice for parents and carers on keeping their children safe online.

### [UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

Featuring teaching resources, education packs, resources for young people and Safer Internet Day films, this website aims to help children and young people stay safe online.



### [UK Safer Internet Centre – Safer Internet Day 2020](#)

Focusing on online identity, these resources include assembly presentations, films and lesson plans aimed at primary and post-primary pupils, as well as conversation starters and tips for parents and carers.

### [Wayne Denner – Education Program](#)

Wayne offers school talks that can help pupils to protect themselves online.

## TRAINING

### [NSPCC Learning – Safeguarding and child protection online training](#)

These online training courses can help teachers learn about different aspects of child protection and safeguarding such as keeping children safe online.

## SUPPORT ORGANISATION

### [UK Safer Internet Centre – Professionals Online Safety Helpline](#)

Offering advice on online safety issues like grooming, cyberbullying and online reputation, this helpline can be useful for anyone that works with children and young people.

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