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KEEPING SAFE ONLINE ON DESKTOP or MOBILE DEVICES

TALK TO YOUR CHILD: This is the most important thing you can do as a parent or carer.

- Keep yourself informed
- Speak to your child about their use of the Internet •
- Help them to find suitable sites, games and apps for schoolwork and play and • have fun
- Set some ground rules about what they can do online
- Ensure they know how to deal with any difficulties they might come across
- Remember the Internet is a wonderful resource for you and your children to embrace and enjoy

Useful Websites

Net aware <u>http://www.net-aware.org.uk/</u> a guide to social networks - from the NSPCC and O2

ThinkUKnow Resources https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/ This site aims to make online parenting simple, facts for you as a parent and a wealth of video resources to share with your child.

Childnet http://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers Whether you're puzzled by parental controls or would like to know more about gaming, this can help. Also leaflets in different community languages

Internet Matters http://www.internetmatters.org/ Advice on important safety issues, news and advice from industry experts, Guidance on setting parental controls and filters and reviews on the latest technology and apps

Parent info http://parentinfo.org/ Some of the content covers internet safety, but starts from the assumption that young people make little distinction between their online and offline lives and the issues for parents are often the same. The aim is to help parents help their children be discriminating, webliterate and resilient.

Common Sense Media www.commonsensemedia.org/Family friendly ratings and reviews on movies, TV, games, music, websites, and books. Includes ratings of potentially offensive content by category.

BLOCKING, FILTERING and RESTRICTIONS

N.B A quick web search for "how to get around parental controls on the Internet" brings back about 18 million results! School computer systems are designed to protect your child from risks by blocking children's access to unsuitable websites and supervising computer use in the classroom. However no block, filter or parental control tool is 100% effective, and many of the risks that young people face online are because of their own and other's behaviour. There are some steps you may wish to take to protect them on your family equipment and devices. But remember that your child can access the internet elsewhere and on other devices: at friend's houses, wifi in hotspots, and good education and knowledge about the risks are still vitally important.

http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-andresources/parents-and-carers/parental-controls







BLOCK IT

