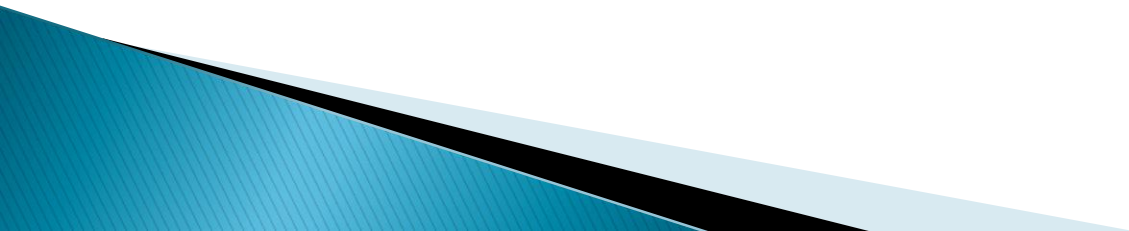




# Kids Online?

A parent's guide

**Is this familiar?**



# What is my child doing online?

- ▶ Using a mobile phone
- ▶ Socialising
- ▶ Gaming
- ▶ Talking to people
- ▶ Sharing
- ▶ Searching



# Socialising

- ▶ [https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=aAprRXbQMTE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=aAprRXbQMTE)
- ▶ <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aDycZH0CA4I&sns=em>



# Socialising



Things to discuss with your child:

- ▶ Know who your friends are. Because 'friends' have access to their personal information.
- ▶ Manage the information you share with them. Privacy settings.
- ▶ Never meet up with someone you only know online.
- ▶ Know what to do if someone upsets you.

Within school a lot of the issues we deal with regarding Social Media are because pupils have a lack of understanding about the above.

# How to keep them safe

- ▶ [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-dJz\\_5pd33w](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-dJz_5pd33w)
- ▶ A video showing how to use and understand the privacy settings in facebook.

# Young persons view...

- ▶ Snapchat
- ▶ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4PmN1zMI87U>

# Gaming

- ▶ Almost anything that connects to the internet will allow you to play these games – desktop computers, laptops, consoles, like Playstation or Xbox, or even mobile phones.
- ▶ [https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=ZxxeOL4-xTQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=ZxxeOL4-xTQ)



# Talking to People



- ▶ As a parent or carer, you need to understand the ways young people communicate with others, and the potential risks.
- ▶ Until you feel your child is responsible and mature enough to understand and manage the risks of communicating with people they do not know, then you should restrict the sites they use and people they talk to. Young people should be aware that they can block contacts. Most chat sites enable you to block contacts to prevent them from communicating with you.
- ▶ Report contacts. If someone is being inappropriate on chat sites, you can often report this directly to the site administrator. However, if your child has experienced sexual or offensive chat that has made them feel uncomfortable or someone is trying to meet up with them, you can report this directly to CEOP.

# Sharing



Most sites your child uses will encourage them to share information about themselves with others. This might be:

- ▶ Opinions – such as what they like and don't like
- ▶ What they are doing
- ▶ Pictures and videos of themselves
- ▶ Information about themselves – such as their name and where they live
- ▶ Videos and music.

The internet is a great tool for sharing information like this and young people love to keep up-to-date with what their friends are doing. However, it is important that they think before they share as there can be **risks with sharing important information.**

**Once you share information online, you lose control of it. It is important for young people to be aware of the implications of sharing different types of information.**

\* There will be homework...sorry

# Sharing



- ▶ Pictures and Videos
- ▶ Personal information
- ▶ Location
- ▶ [https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=hK5OeGeudBM#t=0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=hK5OeGeudBM#t=0)

# Sharing

- ▶ [www.youtube.com/ceop](http://www.youtube.com/ceop)

# Searching for Content

- ▶ With a world of information at their fingertips, it's easy for young people to actively search for material that might be inappropriate for their age, or stumble across things that might upset or disturb them.
- ▶ The internet can provide young people with unrestricted access to adult material. At an age where they are developing socially and sexually, it is natural for young people to be inquisitive. The internet can support natural exploration of sex, relationships and identity; however, there is the risk of exposure to material that could be detrimental to their development.
- ▶ One of the ways to help manage what your child is exposed to online is the use of [parental controls](#). These are a good tool available to you; however, they are not a substitute for talking to your child about what they see online.
- ▶ Pornography
- ▶ Unhealthy networking
- ▶ Extreme opinions
- ▶ Inaccurate content



# Where to turn if you are worried?

- ▶ CEOP
- ▶ <http://www.ceop.police.uk/>
- ▶ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5YhmxypXL00>
- ▶ If you wish to report a non emergency to the police you should dial 101 from any phone.
- ▶ Lucy Faithfull foundation
- ▶ If you are worried about a child you can contact social care to discuss your concerns  
0161 6034500



# Future Sessions

- ▶ Safe and Healthy relationships
  - ▶ Drugs and Alcohol
  - ▶ Spotting the signs of self harm and supporting vulnerable young people.
  - ▶ [Nathan.Jones@salford.gov.uk](mailto:Nathan.Jones@salford.gov.uk)
  - ▶ [Nicola.Hill@salford.gov.uk](mailto:Nicola.Hill@salford.gov.uk)
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