

Internet Advice for Parents

With the current situation a number of children are accessing the internet for their learning more than they ever have. The internet is a great resource but children need to remain safe when online.

Here are some online safety tips:

Agree Boundaries

Be clear what your child can and can't do online – where they can use the internet, how much time they can spend online, the sites they can visit and the type of information they can share.



Explore Together

The best way to find out what your child is doing online is to ask them to tell you about what they do and what sites they like to visit. If they're happy to, ask them to show you. Talk to them about being a good friend online.

Stay Involved

Encourage them to use their tech devices in a communal area like the lounge or kitchen so you can keep an eye on how they're using the internet and also share in their enjoyment



Talk to Siblings

It's also a good idea to talk to any older children about what they're doing online and what they show to younger children. Encourage them to be responsible and help keep their younger siblings safe.

Search Safely

Use safe search engines such as Swiggle or Kids-search. Safe search settings can also be activated on Google and other search engines, as well as YouTube.

Put Yourself in Control

Install parental controls on your home broadband and any internet-enabled devices. Set up a user account for your child on the main device they use and make sure other accounts in the household are password-protected so that younger children can't access them by accident.

Online Contact

Make sure your child knows not to share personal information like their phone number or email address online.
Only talk to real life friends or family if they are on sites with a social media element.
Be a good online friend and don't say nasty things even if it's just a joke.



Some really good websites for further advice and how to set controls on various devices are:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk>

<https://www.internetmatters.org/>

If you have any concerns over what your child has seen on the internet then report it using <https://www.internetmatters.org/> and clicking the red 'REPORT IT' button.

There is also lots of information and useful links on our website on the ESafety Page:

www.manorfield.surrey.sch.uk/e-safety/



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