ONLINE SAFETY.

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THE POWER OF TECHNOLOGY
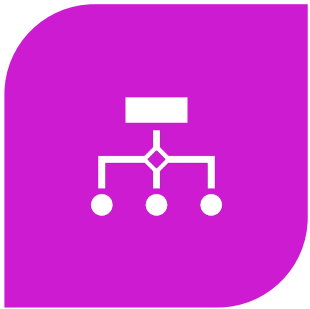
Improves teaching and learning

Allows us to access material when and wherever we like

Can be used to create amazing things

Needs to be used responsibly

Brings people closer when there is distance between them

SUPPORT LEARNING

THE INTERNET CAN BE A GREAT RESEARCH TOOL, BUT THIS NEEDS TO BE FILTERED AND MONITORED

MONITOR INTERNET USE CLOSELY AND DISCUSS APPROPRIATE WEBSITES AND APPS

HOLD POSITIVE CONVERSATIONS

KEEP UP TO DATE WITH TRENDS SUCH AS CHAT GPT

PRACTICAL TIPS

01
Consider the use of Google Family Link or Apple Family

02
Consider the time spent in isolated areas of the house on relevant technologies

03
Keep up to date with trends (If you are unsure then please contact myself)

04
Be aware of group chats and their dangers......and benefits!

05
Be familiar with downloaded apps and what they are used for.

06
Be familiar with age ratings.

WHAT TO LOOK FOR

- Messages from strangers

- Friends of friends

- Invitations to meet

- Do not reply to messages that concern them. Encourage your child to discuss any messages that make them feel uncomfortable with you before they respond.

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

What is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps?

Under 13

- Roblox
- PopJam
- FaceTime

13+

- Twitter
- Facebook and Messenger
- Viber
- WeChat
- Monkey
- Yubo
- Dubsmash
- Instagram
- TikTok
- Skype
- Google Hangouts
- Reddit
- Snapchat
- Pinterest

16+

- WhatsApp
- Telegram Messenger
- Tumblr
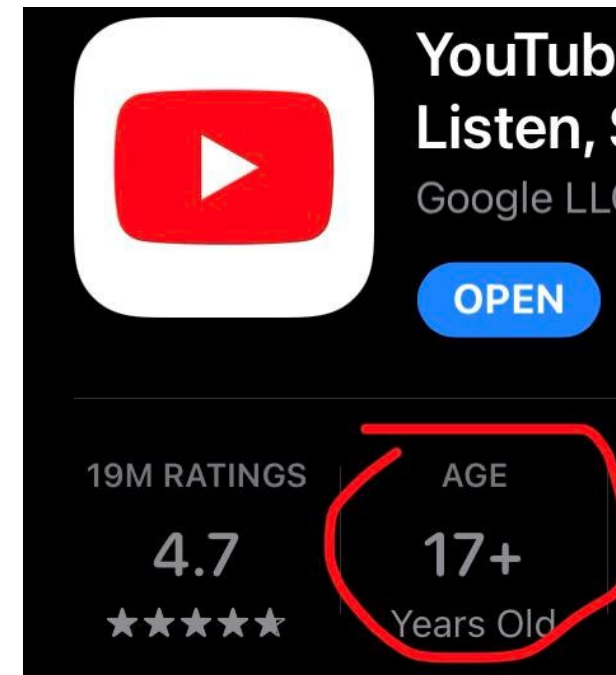
17+

- Line
- Sarahah
- Tellonym

YOUTUBE

YouTube has an age rating of 17+ this is due to the content of the videos.

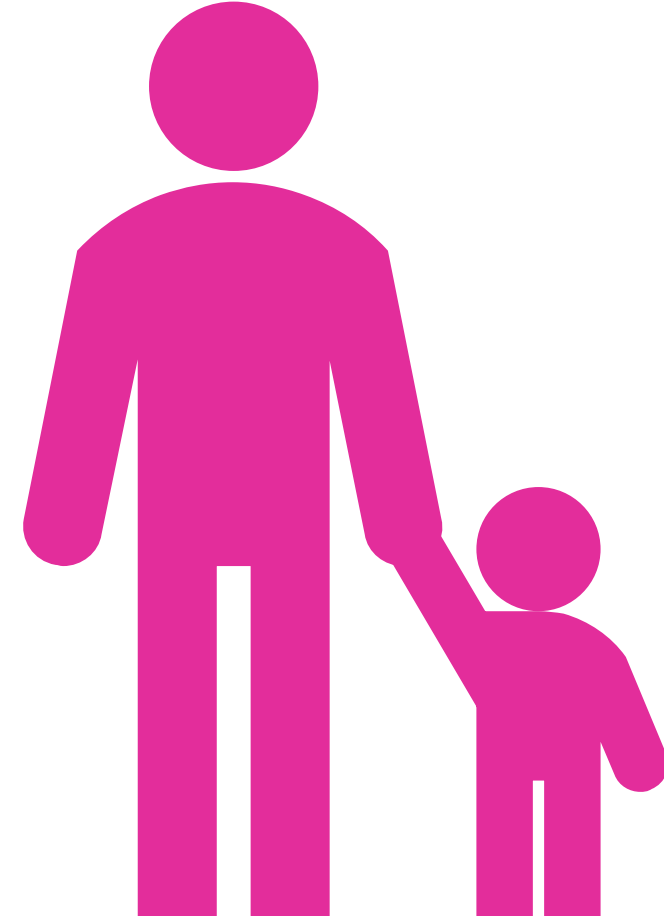Some videos contain, explicit language, nudity, scenes containing drugs, alcohol, gambling.

Anyone can upload a video, and this is not monitored until it is reported.

NATIONAL ONLINE SAFETY

Please find below a link to the National Online Safety website which is full of detailed information regarding how to keep your child safe online. On here, you will be able to read information about the dangers of gaming addiction and the under-age use of apps.

- National Online Safety Video

- National Online Safety – Gaming

- National Online Safety – General Information

- National Online Safety – App Information

- National Online Safety – What Parents/Carers need to Know

Don't post	Don't post any personal information online like your address, email address or mobile number
Remember	Remember that not everyone online is who they say they are
Think	Think carefully about what you say before you post something online
Respect	Respect other people's views, even if you don't agree with someone else's views doesn't mean you need to be rude
Leave	If you see something online that makes you feel uncomfortable, unsafe or worried: leave the website, and tell a trusted adult immediately
Don't meet up	Don't meet up with people you've met online. Speak to a trusted adult about people suggesting you do
Don't befriend	Don't befriend people you don't know
Never	Never give out your passwords
Privacy	Keep your privacy settings as high as possible
Think	Think carefully before posting pictures or videos of yourself. Once you've put a picture of yourself online people can see it and download it, it's not just yours anymore

WHAT WE TEACH THE CHILDREN

STAYING SAFE ON YOUR MOBILE

DON'T REPLY TO ANY NASTY MESSAGES YOU RECEIVE – TELL AN ADULT ABOUT THEM INSTEAD

DON'T REPLY TO A TEXT FROM SOMEONE YOU DON'T KNOW

KEEP THE MESSAGES YOU HAVE BEEN SENT SO YOU CAN SHOW THEM TO A TRUSTED ADULT AND MAKE A NOTE OF THE TIME AND DATE OF THE

MESSAGES OR CALLS YOU RECEIVE

DON'T ANSWER CALLS FROM WITHHELD NUMBERS OR NUMBERS YOU DON'T RECOGNISE, LET IT GO TO VOICEMAIL
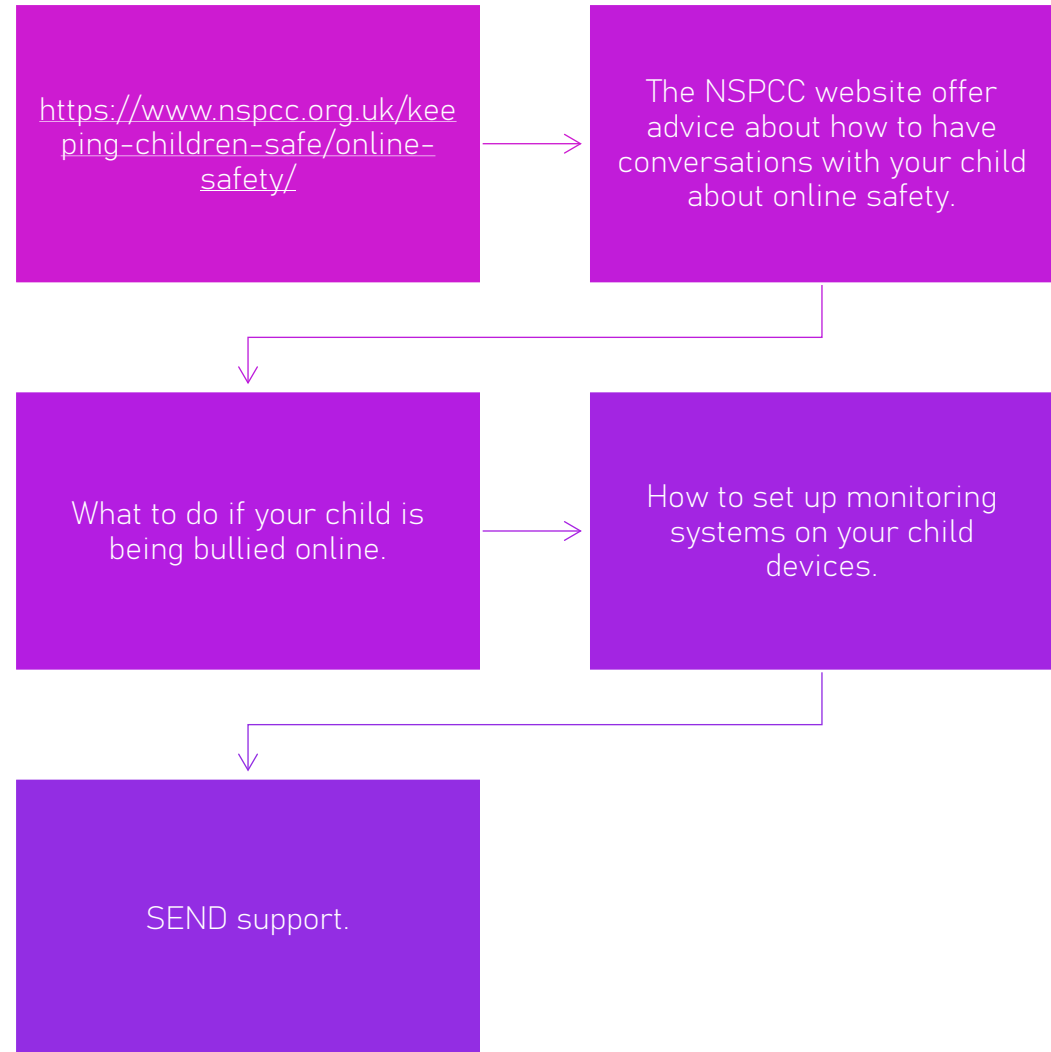
DON'T GIVE YOUR MOBILE NUMBER TO SOMEONE YOU DON'T KNOW

DON'T SEND PICTURES TO SOMEONE YOU DON'T KNOW AND BE VERY CAREFUL ABOUT SENDING PICTURES TO ANYONE ON YOUR PHONE

NSPCC ONLINE

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

The NSPCC website offer advice about how to have conversations with your child about online safety.

What to do if your child is being bullied online.

How to set up monitoring systems on your child devices.

SEND support.

NSPCC INITIATIVE

- Play

- Protect

- Ask

- Say

Play

Play and be kind online. The internet can be a lot of fun, and you can often find lots of games to enjoy. But it's important to be kind while you're playing, letting everyone else have fun too!

Ask

Ask before you try something new online

Always ask for advice from an adult you trust before you try something new online, it's much safer and more fun to learn together!

Protect

Protect your personal information

Lots of important information can get shared online, such as your date of birth and address.

It's important to keep this information private and only share it with a safe adult you trust.

Say

Say if anything has made you feel upset

It's always good to talk to a safe adult you trust about anything that makes you feel sad, worried, or confused. It doesn't have to be a family member, it can be a teacher, a friend's parent, or any adult that you trust and feel safe around.

Whatever has happened, it's not your fault, and you will never get into trouble for speaking out.