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Online Safety Newsletter

How Safe is your child online?

Many children are now spending a lot of time of devices such as phones.

It is essential that our children are safeguarded from potential harmful and inappropriate online material.

We want to empower our children to use the internet safely and report concerns confidently.

Please read through the newsletter to find ways to keep your child safe online.

Please contact a member of our safeguarding team if you need any advice.

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Online Safety Lead

Mrs Holmes/ Mrs Cunningham

Designated Safeguarding Lead

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Check what your child is accessing

Useful Websites

https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers

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

E-safety advice and resources for children with SEND

https://www.childnet.com/resources/know-it-all-for-teachers-sen/

Top Tips for keeping children safe online

Stay engaged and have regular conversations

Show interest to games your child plays. They may be more confident to speak to you or come to you for help.

Help them understand the importance of personal information

Remind them they can speak to an adult **straight away** if the chat begins to involve meeting offline, personal information or sending images.

Make use of safety features

-Block and report

-Check safety ettings

Agree rules about not sharing personal information!

Did you know?

Despite a minimum age of 13,

52% of 8-12s have used Instagram, and 32% use it regularly.

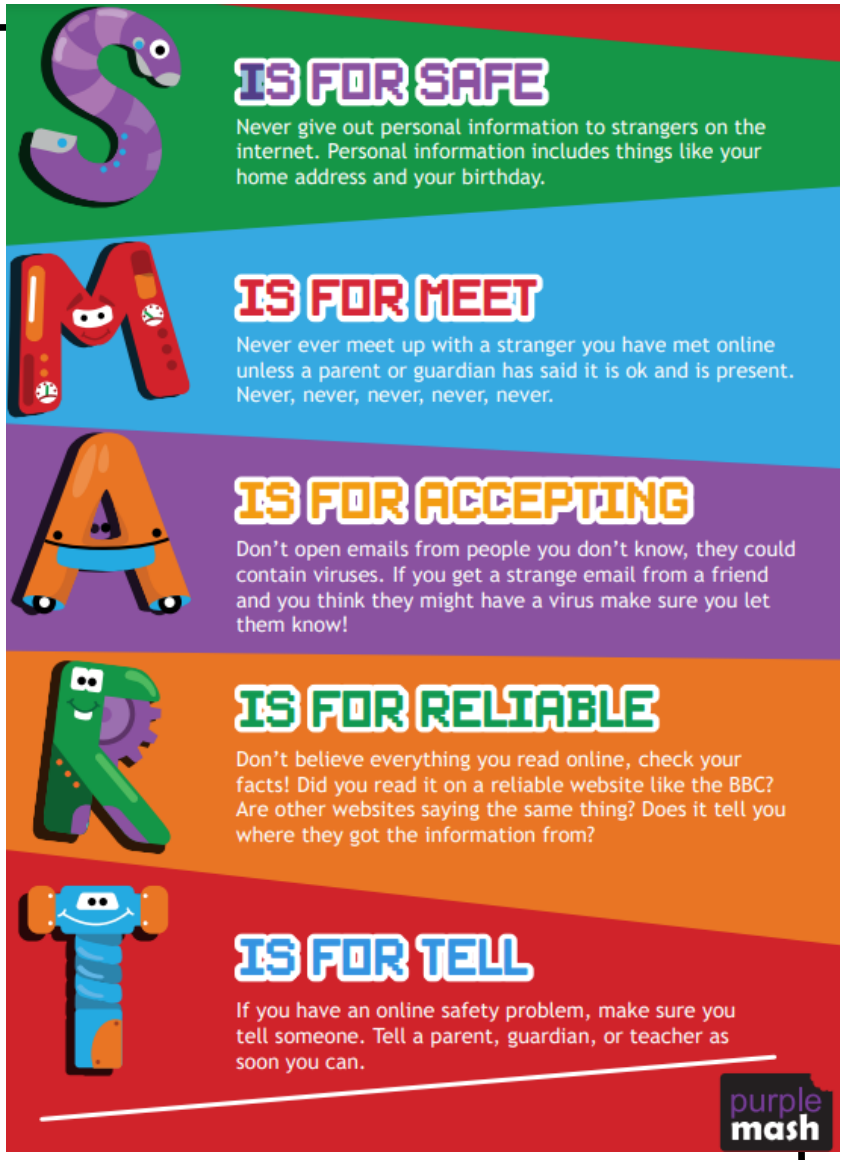
(UK Safer Internet Centre, 2018)

Pupil Tip

"If a website starts with **https** rather than **http** it means it is secure.

The 's' stands for secure."

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About Roblox

Roblox has a PEGI/ age rating of 7 in the UK. There are still some instances where conduct within the game may be inappropriate, particularly for younger children, which is recommended you follow advice. Players can use the communication features of Roblox to talk to one other while they are playing. This means that there is a risk of cyberbullying or unwanted contact

It is important to set up Parental controls appropriate to your child.

Tips to help keep children safe on it:

- Make sure your child creates an account using the correct age.
- Build a list of appropriate games. There is a setting for parents to limit what their child can play.
- Explore the communication settings. You can switch off the chat or limit it to friends only.
- Explore Roblox with your child.
- Have regular conversations about games and how they are doing online.
- Encourage your child to speak up about concerns or things that worry them.

https://en.help.roblox.com/hc.en-us/categories/200213830-parents-safety-and-moderation