

Safeguarding Children (Internet Safety)

INTERNET SAFETY TIPS FOR PARENTS:

1. Know what your children are doing online and who they are talking to.
2. Help your children understand that they should never give out personal details to online friends – this includes messenger id, email address, mobile phone number, school details, pictures of themselves or friends.
3. If you child receives spam/junk email and texts, remind them never to believe them, reply to them or use them.
4. It's not a good idea for your child to open files that are from people they don't know. They don't know what they may contain; it could be a virus or an indecent image.
5. Help your child to understand that some people lie online. They should never arrange to meet anyone they have met online without an adult they trust.
6. Always keep communications open for a child to know that it's never too late to tell someone if something makes them feel uncomfortable.
7. Teach young people how to block someone online and report them.

This is the website where you can get further advice and also report suspected cases: www.thinkuknow.co.uk and www.childnet.co.uk