

Knavesmire Primary School E-Safety Newsletter Updates -Autumn 2, 2022

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This is the second e-safety newsletter of the academic year of 2022-2023. Each half-term, we share an e-safety newsletter with you to provide support and guidance on keeping your child/children safe online.

Parental Controls

Parental controls allow the parents or carers of a child to block and filter the content that their child is exposed to online. They work across WiFi, phone networks, individual applications (apps) and devices. Parental controls can help in many ways:

- Plan the time your child spends online.
- Create content filters to block apps that may have inappropriate content.
- Manage content that each family member can see.

5 Top Tips for Setting Parental Controls

- 1. Set up home broadband parental controls. For more information about this, contact your broadband provider.
- 2. Set controls on the search engines used by your child.
- 3. Use privacy settings on apps and devices; activate the safety measures offered by different sites. It is likely that these are to vary from website to website or application to application. For example, social networking websites have privacy settings that will prevent too much personal information being shared or from seeing unsuitable advertising.
- 4. Block pop-ups. See example (right).
- 5. Have open conversations with your child about online safety and reassure them that they can talk to you or a trusted adult (an adult over the age of 18 years old) whenever they need to. By talking to your child about their interests, you can help them find suitable sites to visit and apps to use. As your child gets older, you may choose to review these sites.

For more information, please visit the following website: https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/

For example, to stop pop-ups from appearing whilst using *Internet Explorer* follow the following steps:

- First, open Internet Explorer.
- Then, click the tools button (located in the top right hand corner and looks like a cog).
- After that, select internet options. Go to the Privacy tab.
- Next, under Pop-Up Blocker, select the Turn on Pop-up Blocker check box.
- Finally, tap or click ok.



Useful activities, for parents or carers, to help you keep your child safe online

- Jessie and Friends (4-7 year olds) <u>https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/ parents/jessie-and-friends/</u>
- Play, Like Share (8-10 year olds) <u>https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/ parents/playlikeshare/</u>
- In Game Chat (10+ years) <u>https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/ articles/in-game-chat/</u>