



Welcome to Cornwall Learning's summer edition.

Does your School's website need some housekeeping?



Points to consider:

- Maintained schools should refer to <https://www.gov.uk/what-maintained-schools-must-publish-online>
- Academies and free schools should check their funding agreement to find out what must be published on their website
- Policies and documents should be current, dated and checked for accuracy
- Websites should be free from spelling mistakes and grammatically correct
- Include a specific e-Safety area

<http://www.em-esafetyproject.co.uk>

The East Midlands E-Safety project is funded by the Learning and Skills Improvement Service (LSIS) Flexibility and Innovation Fund. The project aims to improve e-Safety for all learners with learning difficulties and disabilities.

The main purpose of the project is to:

- involve learners in the production of support and guidance materials they feel comfortable using;
- produce training materials for staff;
- produce guidance for parents and carers.



Childnet – Do you know how to be SMART online?

<http://www.childnet.com/young-people/primary/smart-rules-quiz>

Take the quiz and find out how SMART you are online. This new quiz is aimed at primary aged children and is a great way to find out how well they know their SMART rules.

Parental Controls - choosing the right tool for you

<http://sipbench.eu/phase7.cfm/secid.7.10>

Latest news:

Baroness Joanna Shields, former boss of Facebook in Europe is appointed by the newly-elected Conservative government as the UK minister for Internet Safety and Security. Baroness Shields is to lead the Government's effort to improve online safety in its war against child pornography.

Read the full article at:

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/finance/newsbysector/mediatechnologyandtelecoms/digital-media/11609034/Baroness-Shields-to-be-made-internet-security-minister.html>

www.telegraph.co.uk 16 May 2015



Would banning mobile phones in schools improve outcomes – especially for the low-achieving and at-risk?

A recent study finds that not only did student achievement improve, but also that low-achieving and at-risk students gained the most by banning phones in school.

Read the full article at:

<http://schoolsimprovement.net/why-banning-mobile-phones-in-schools-might-improve-outcomes-especially-for-the-low-achieving-and-at-risk/>

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Could video games increase your risk of Alzheimer's?

Video games could increase the risk of people developing Alzheimer's disease in later life, according to controversial new research.

The scientists claim that players navigate the screen using a key area of the brain called the caudate nucleus, which has been known to lead to loss of grey matter in the hippocampus.

Read the full article at:

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-3087905/Navigating-virtual-worlds-reduce-grey-matter-make-prone-mental-illness.html>

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STOP PRESS

When did you last check your Social Media Privacy Settings?

Parents could be oversharing photos of their children because they don't check social media privacy settings

New research claims some parents have never checked what settings are active before uploading photos of their children.

According to research by 'The Parent Zone' on average 973 photos are posted online by parents before their children turn five, despite 17% of parents admitting they had never checked their Facebook privacy settings.

The research also claimed that almost half (46%) parents surveyed had only checked their settings once or twice and are running the risk of over-sharing and creating a digital footprint their child then has no control over.

Read the full article at:

<http://home.bt.com/tech-gadgets/tech-news/parents-could-be-oversharing-photos-of-their-children-because-they-dont-check-social-media-privacy-settings-11363983228408>

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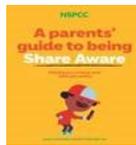
NSPCC – Share Aware Campaign launched in January 2015, was developed due to the NSPCC's research findings that parents:

- quite often feel confused by the internet - out of their depth, and out of control.

Share Aware is for parents of children aged 8-12 and is designed to help to reassure and give parents everything they need to keep their children safe. The campaign breaks down into 5 sections:

1. Net Aware - a no-nonsense guide to the social networks, sites and apps children use
2. Share Aware - parent's guide on how to talk to children about staying safe online
3. Talking Tips - tips on how to start a conversation with your child about online safety
4. Online Safety Advice - for parents about keeping their child safer online
5. Online Course - Introductory training for anyone who works with children.

<http://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/share-aware/>



Staying safe when out and about

If children are taking their devices out of the home, it's worth bearing in mind that they could connect to public wifi, for example, in a shop, cafe or restaurant. Look out for the Friendly WiFi symbol which shows that the wifi has filters in place to limit access to pornographic content.



Are you more internet-savvy than a 10year old?

Talk Talk's Internet Age Calculator puts your online knowledge to the test. The quiz asks eight questions about the online world to give you an internet age based on research of 1,000 7-14 year olds.

Try the TalkTalk challenge: <http://internetage.talktalk.co.uk/#/>

Children in Cornish Primary Schools are using these apps:



Tango Text, Voice & Video is a social-networking app that includes many ways to connect and share information, including video calls, group chats, games, phone calls, music, and more.

Video calls are limited to one-to-one, but chats can include up to **300 people** at once. Parents need to know that users' profiles default to public; **a teen's profile must be changed to private to restrict it to people on his or her contact list. Terms and Conditions state 13+**

www.common sense media.org



Pinterest is like a digital pinboard that allows people to share, save, and categorize images and ideas for everything! Pinterest links to other sites which may contain content that's inappropriate for children,

young people and teens. **Users can create a Pinterest account via a Facebook account or an email address.**

Recommendation for parents/carers

Have a conversation

It is really important to chat with your children on an ongoing basis about staying safe online.

Not sure where to begin? These conversation starter suggestions can help.

- Ask your children to tell you about the sites they like to visit and what they enjoy doing online.
- Ask them about how they stay safe online. What tips do they have for you, and where did they learn them? What is OK and not OK to share?
- Ask them if they know where to go for help, where to find the safety advice, privacy settings and how to report or block on the services they use.
- Encourage them to help someone! Perhaps they can show you how to do something better online or they might have a friend who would benefit from their help and support.
- Think about how you each use the internet. What more could you do to use the internet together?

<http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-and-resources/parents-and-carers/have-a-conversation>

Dates for the Diary:

CEOP's Train the Trainer & e-Safety Event - 11th June 2015 at Carew House, Bodmin
Further details at: <http://www.cornwalllearningonline.co.uk/>
Course Number IT12

FREE Cornwall School Technology Show – 23rd June 2015 at Wadebridge Pavilions
Further details at: <http://www.cornwalllearningonline.co.uk/>
Course Number ICT11

Useful Website Links for inclusion in your Newsletters and on your School Website:

<https://www.cyberstreetwise.com> - HM Government – this site provides excellent advice on how to protect yourself, your family and your business

<http://uk.safesearchkids.com> - UK delivers safe results from google.co.uk, powered by Google

<http://support.xbox.com/en-GB/xbox-live/online-privacy-and-safety/online-safety> - Find out to set up privacy settings for children accessing games via Xbox LIVE

Plus (a few others as previously notified):

www.internetmatters.org - find out what children are doing online, issues that might be affecting children, how to take action.

www.common sense media.org - provides trustworthy and reliable age appropriate media reviews - videos, games and films.

www.kidsmart.org.uk - online e-Safety learning for the whole family.

www.childnet.com - hot topics and how to get to grips with digital issues.

<http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/about/helpline> - UK Safer Internet.

<http://www.vodafone.com/content/index/parents.html> - online magazine which contains helpful advice for parents and carers – setting up controls, latest technology, reporting routines.

<http://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/> - helpful advice and tools.

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