eSafety Newsletter Summer 2013

The summer term eSafety newsletter highlights many new resources for teachers, parents and carers. eSafety is often in the news and ***once online, always online*** is an important message for our children and young people. What we say online today could have an impact on our future careers! Protecting children online can present parents and carers with new challenges, especially when their children access the internet from a mobile phone or games player. The main internet providers have free parental controls to help children stay safe when they go online, from home. Further details are below and may be added to your newsletters.

Please do contact me if you would like to discuss a specific eSafety incident, would like further information or advice or would like to book an eSafety session for your school.

Ann Layzell

Have your Say: Young people's perspectives about their online rights and responsibilities
This research involved over 24,000 primary and secondary aged children from across the UK. The report was aimed at listening to the voice of children and young people and offers an insight into the experiences they have online. Have a look at the '**Top Ten Rights and Responsibilities'** for primary pupils and for secondary pupils. What are the 'Top Ten' for the children in your school?
www.childnet.com/ufiles/Have%20your%20Say%20Report.pdf

What bothers children online?
This latest report from EU Kids Online involved nearly 10,000 children from across the EU. They were asked what upsets them and their friends online. Their responses were varied and their mention of risks rose markedly from nine to 12 years old. Younger children are more concerned about content than risks. To read the full report visit: **http://eprints.lse.ac.uk/48357/**

Apps
We have all read about children running up huge bills on iPad and iPhone game apps and many other apps. App is short for 'application' and is a small piece of software that performs a specific function. Apps are becoming very popular with children, can be downloaded quickly and are often free, sometimes just in the first instance. Some apps have content that is not suitable for children, so it is always worth reading the T & C and checking the age rating before downloading. To find out more, including tips for using the iPad and iPod Touch visit:
http://bit.ly/18fiYGU

Ofsted and eSafety
The Inspectors Guidance, updated termly, gives clear recommendations and expectaions for all schools. Some questions to consider:
- Who are the key eSafety members of staff in your school?
- How is eSafety embedded across the school?
- How are the children and young people involved with promoting eSafety, shaping policies and developing eSafety class rules?
- Who is responsible for the management of personal data and are all staff aware that this falls under the Data Protection Act 1998?

Childnet's Film Competition 2013,
Positive and inspiring use of the internet is at the heart of this Film Competition 2013. There are two separate projects in place:
Primary aged entrants: Will be challenged to create a 60 second film to say why 'The internet is great, when you respect your mates'**.**
Secondary aged entrants: Will be asked to create a 2 minute film in response to the theme 'How do you connect with respect?'
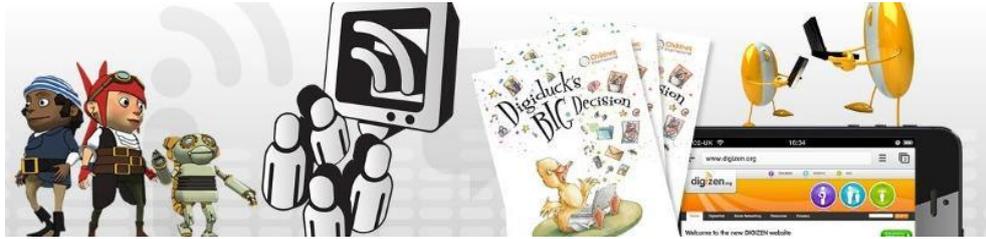**www.childnet.com/resources/film-competition/2013**
Closing date is Friday 21st June 2013

Resources for Teachers

Childnet have launched their new website which now makes it much easier to find the tools and resources. Have a look at the resource bank which has a very wide range of resources such as 'Smartie the Penguin' ebook and 'Only a Game' which is a drama activity
www.childnet.com/resources

Thinkuknow teachers' blog is a good way to keep up to date. You will find the latest news, including advice for primary and secondary teachers
www.thinkuknow.co.uk/Teachers/blog/

Know where to go
These short videos have been developed to help young people protect themselves online and remove or report any inappropriate images that have been posted online.
www.thinkuknow.co.uk/Teachers/blog/dates/2013/3/know-where-to-go/

'Sexting' in schools: What to do and how to handle it
This new guidance has been developed to help schools deal with incidents related to 'Sexting'. There is practical advice, including how to support the child. To download visit the resources area at: **www.thinkuknow.co.uk/Teachers/Resources/**

The Web We Want
This new secondary resource published by European Schoolnet enables 13 – 16 year olds test their skills, consider their online rights, responsibilities and safety through a range of activities. Download the booklet from: **http://webwewant.eu/files/2013/02/Handbook_for_web-lght.pdf**

Resources for Parents and Carers

How to set parental controls on internet access at home
The four large UK internet providers - BT, Sky, TalkTalk and Virgin Media - have produced short video tutorials to show how to download and set up the free parental controls they provide for their customers. Links to these videos can also be added to your school website.
www.childnet.com/resources/parental-controls

BBC Webwise has a wealth of information about the internet, including a glossary to help parents stay informed. There are also some helpful eSafety videos :
www.bbc.co.uk/webwise/0/

Music, Film, TV and the Internet

This information aims to keep parents and teachers well-informed about copyright and how digital content can be enjoyed safely and legally online or via a mobile device. There are links to primary and secondary resources for teachers to use in the classroom, plus tips for parents.
www.childnet.com/resources/downloading/home

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