



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents

Below are some monthly online safety information from #WakeUpWednesday and Gooseberry Planet that you might find useful and some links to websites to help you to learn more.

National Online Safety

Information from #WakeUpWednesday, who have created a free online safety guide for schools to share with parents and carers about Twitter; the free social networking site used by more than 328 million users worldwide.

Twitter

Twitter brings endless positive opportunities such as information sharing, positive conversation, collaboration and a live global view of the world that we live in. Despite the good the platform brings, Trolls, unfortunately, continue to take advantage of this freedom.

Trolling can be anything from sending malicious communications online, virtual mobbing, cyberstalking, harassment, coercion and control, and disclosing private sexual images without consent. From 2016, the Crown Prosecution Service were able to exercise new laws that could see those who create “derogatory hashtags” or post “humiliating” photo shopped images jailed.

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/natonlinesafety/status/1075337762646253570>

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/NationalOnlineSafety/photos/a.1681508315488685/1935627633410084/?type=3&theater>

Website: <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/resources/platform-guides/twitter-online-safety-guide-for-parents/>

Gooseberry Parent 'Actions' of the week

Live streaming (viewing, creating or broadcasting 'real-time' video content online) is popular amongst children but some content might be upsetting or inappropriate for your child to view. Knowing what your child is viewing, creating or sharing online can help you to manage how your child uses their technology and may help you reduce the risks to your child's safety and well-being online. Live streaming platforms include Facebook, YouTube, Instagram, Snapchat, Skype, Live.ly, Omegle and Periscope. Some only allow a limited number of people to view the content; others are open to all. For most of these platforms the minimum user age is 13. Live streaming platforms are known to be used by abusers who exploit the immediacy of these platforms to groom children, sometimes tricking them or daring them to stream nudity

Key Messages:

Ensure that your child is using age-appropriate apps, review and manage privacy settings to help control who can view content and connect with your child, disable comments, check the suitability of any content before it is viewed or shared, watch content together, supervise the content being create

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