

INFORMATION & ONLINE RESOURCES

1. CHILDNET RESOURCES & WEBSITE



Know IT All: An interactive internet safety resource that contains helpful videos and activities. This updated resource now contains the latest advice on cyberbullying and reporting. The essential internet safety 'Quick overview' section has been translated into Arabic, Bengali, Gujarati,



Mandarin, Polish, Punjabi, Urdu, Welsh and is also available in BSL. This resource is also available online at www.childnet.com/kia.



Know IT All Slide Show: This clear presentation highlights the gap that exists between children's real experiences online and adult awareness of these experiences. Watch the presentation online and review the issues and practical advice at:

www.childnet.com/downloads/KIAParentsPresentation.ppt.



Adventures of the SMART Crew: The SMART Adventure illustrates Childnet's SMART rules and includes advice from a real life SMART Crew of young people who guide the cartoon characters in their quest and help them make smart online decisions. Ideal for parents, teachers and pupils new to internet safety. www.childnet.com/kia/primary.



Digizen: A website providing information and advice to encourage responsible digital citizenship. It shares advice and guidance on preventing and responding to cyberbullying including the film 'Let's Fight It Together' and specific information on social networking. www.digizen.org.



KidSMART: This award winning Childnet website is for children, teachers, parents & carers and offers fun games and activities for children alongside effective internet safety advice. www.kidsmart.org.uk.



Chatdanger: A site for teenagers that shares advice on how to stay safe while chatting online; it gives real life accounts and informs about the potential dangers on interactive services like chat, IM, online games, email and mobiles. Young people can also write in to the website for specific advice on different online situations. www.chatdanger.com.

Fact sheets: Childnet have produced a range of factsheets for adults covering specific areas of internet safety and computer security; such as mobile phones safety, internet addiction, posting photos on the internet, chatting online, searching online and spam emails. www.childnet.com/safety/factsheets.aspx.

Childnet also has a number of recommended resources for young people, parents, carers, and teachers that can be ordered online: www.childnet.com/order.

2. MOBILE PHONES

Childnet has produced a checklist of safety questions for parents and carers to when purchasing a mobile phone for a child. www.childnet.com/downloads/mobilesQ.pdf.



PhonepayPlus: The premium rate services regulator provides advice using for users. www.phonepayplus.org.uk.



There is also advice from PhonepayPlus specifically for young people at PhoneBrain. www.phonebrain.org.uk.

3. SECURITY AND FILTERING SOFTWARE



Get Net Wise: This website reviews up to 140 different filtering tools to suit your needs. You can search for the most appropriate software according to different criteria. The site also has video clips of experts talking about online safety issues. www.getnetwise.org.

4. COMPUTER PROTECTION



Sorted: This website was produced by young people and looks at the issues of internet security and protection. It gives simple explanations, important information and advice on how to protect a computer from the dangers of programmes such as viruses, phishing scams, spyware and trojans. www.childnet.com/sorted.



Get Safe Online: A government website which focuses on online computer security and protection issues. It contains advice about firewalls, spyware and antivirus protection as well as how to protect children online. www.getsafeonline.org.

5. FILE SHARING & DOWNLOADING



Childnet has developed a leaflet with the music industry called 'Young People, Music, and the Internet', downloadable from the Childnet website. www.childnet.com/music.

You will find a list of legal sites to download music on the Pro Music website. www.pro-music.org/musiconline.htm.

6. SOCIAL NETWORKS & BLOGS



Young People & Social Networking: Aims to help parents understand the positive and creative ways young people are using social networking spaces (e.g. Bebo, MySpace, Facebook.) It also points out the potential risks of using these sites and potential ways to minimise them. www.childnet.com/blogssafety.

Further information about social networking sites can be found on the Digizen website. www.digizen.org.

7. SEARCH ENGINES

Using a child friendly search engine allows content to be filtered. Most adult search engines, such as Google, also have built in filtering options under the 'preferences' link that should be adjusted before use.

Ask for Kids www.askforkids.com. BBC www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/flnd. Yahoo! <http://kids.yahoo.com>.

8. WHERE TO REPORT



Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP): A police agency tackling child abuse on the internet. This website includes a unique facility that enables parents and young people to make reports of actual or attempted abuse online. www.ceop.gov.uk.



Internet Watch Foundation: The UK's hotline for reporting illegal content found on the internet. It deals specifically with child abuse and criminally obscene images as well as racist content hosted in the UK. www.iwf.org.uk.