

# E-safety

## Keeping children safe online

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# What is e-safety?

- ▶ E-Safety at a simple level means being safe on the internet. Some people also include the safe use of technology in this as well. The pace at which technology is evolving can make it difficult to know what to include when talking about the safe use of the internet.

# Why is it important to early years?

- ▶ Online safety is a safeguarding issue.

**Keeping  
children safe  
is everyone's  
responsibility**



## Benefits of screen use include:

- ▶ opportunities to promote creativity and learning
- ▶ language development
- ▶ improvement of numeracy and literacy skills
- ▶ greater understanding of their world
- ▶ development of digital skills



## Challenges of screen use include:

- ▶ impact on children's ability to control their emotions
- ▶ displacement of activities that promote social interactions vital for development
- ▶ risk of exposure to inappropriate content





# Risks



**ONLINE RISKS**

- Cyberbullying
- Phishing
- Malware
- Bad Websites
- Sexting
- Reputation
- Viruses
- Chat Rooms
- Predators
- Identity Theft
- Porn
- Social Networking

# Good Practice





# How we minimise risks



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our policy.**



# Our role as trusted adults

Prevent Child Abuse  
Utah  
THE ANATOMY OF A  
**TRUSTED ADULT**



**Reports suspicions of child abuse**  
**Intervenes in possible unsafe situations**

**Recognises the signs of abuse**

**Holds adults accountable**

**Models healthy relationships**

**Believes children**

**Respects boundaries**

**Builds trust in healthy ways**

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# Supporting children online

- ▶ Explore together
- ▶ Be involved
- ▶ Put yourself in control
- ▶ Search safely
- ▶ Use passwords
- ▶ Use age appropriate sites and apps
- ▶ Set boundaries






# Keeping children safe online

- ▶ Privacy settings
- ▶ Do you know them?
- ▶ Downloading files
- ▶ Knowledge
- ▶ Speak to someone

## Our eSafety Top Tips!

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**2** Be nice to people like you would on the playground.



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**1** I only go online with a grown up

**2** I am kind online

**3** I keep information about me safe

**4** I tell a grown up if something online makes me unhappy

**Be SAFE Online**

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# Activities to support learning



## Internet Safety

Smartie The Penguin

Early Years Story-time  
read by Mr Starbuck







# Activity: review the Guidance for parents & carers



# Reporting concerns about content or of children coming to harm online

- ▶ Use agreed safeguarding referral procedures
- ▶ If child is in imminent danger - contact the police on 999
- ▶ You can also report any concerns to CEOP (the Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre)
- ▶ Online bullying and abuse can also be reported to the police by calling 101.
- ▶ Childline offers easy to follow instructions on how to have a nude image or video of an under-18 year old removed from the internet.

# What next?



**Working in pairs - Agree 3 Actions**

**Prepare to feedback to team**

**Agree actions in order of priority**

**Inform settings development plan.**



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## Any questions



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