



e-Safety Newsletter 2018-2019



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Parent Guides

A reminder that on our school website we have parent guides to help keep your child safe on the following social media sites;

- Instagram
- Facebook
- YouTube
- Omeagle
- Kiki
- Yellow
- Snapchat
- Whatapp

Contact Us

If you'd like us to include something in our next newsletter or would like to discuss any of the content in this issue please contact;

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Reporting

If you have an e-safety concern. You can report it directly by using the CEOP (Child Exploitation and Online Protection) report button that is on our website.



Warm Welcome

With the approaching half term break we thought it was timely to welcome you to this academic year's first issue of our school's e-safety newsletter. We are hoping that by having a half termly newsletter available to you as parent and carers, we will be able to share vital information we have as a school about e-safety to ensure that you can keep your children safe when they go online.

We'd welcome any information or requests from parent/carers to include in our next issue.

Yellow App renamed Yubo

Yellow is an app that has that has been dubbed by some as a 'Tinder for Teens.' This app has now been reamed as Yubo and has many new features such as live streaming, group video chat and instant messaging.

When creating a profile, users can only upload real photographs rather than an avatar. There is a safety guide for teens and parents on the Yubo website. As with all social networking sites it is important to remember how easy it is to create a fake profile page and exploit other users.

Parents need to have an awareness of the apps children are using, be aware of potential risks and have regular conversations to help them make positive choices online.

What you need to know about Fortnite



The multiplayer action survival game, Fortnite: Battle Royale, has received a lot of media coverage recently both positive and negative.

Dates for you Diary

Walk Online Roadshow for Parents and Carers.

New Date Released: 14th November 2018 from 7- 9pm @ Thurrock Adult Community College

The "Walk On Line" events open your eyes to the world our children and young people face. You will gain a greater understanding on what and how our children are using social media and the internet. All children from whatever background face the risks of exploitation. Let's reduce the risk for Thurrock's children. The event will take you on a journey of "The Dark Web" and how to help your child to stay safe.

Safer Internet Day 2019

On Tuesday 5th February 2019 Deneholm will be joining in the global e-safety day to ensure that our children are empowered to keep themselves safe on line.

All classes from Reception to Year 6 will be taking part.

Next Issue:

Look out for our next issue where we will be introducing you to our e-Cadets. These will be children who will be selected from applications, trained thoroughly to help us with e-safety across the school.



It is a game growing in popularity amongst children and involves 100 players fighting each other in real time to be the final survivor. To survive players collect weapons and armory and build structures to defend or hide in, while battling everyone else in the game. It is really important to note that **Epic Games: Fortnite Battle Royale says it does not direct the game to children under the age of 13 in the UK.** As with other multiplayer games, there have been online safety concerns raised regarding Fortnite including: chat via text or voice, violent imagery, in-app purchases and possible game addiction. Visit the net aware site for further information about the game and how to keep your children safe while playing it. bit.ly/NetAwareNews

Help keep your child safe online when playing online games:

- **Talk** to your child regularly about what they are doing online and how to stay safe. Let them know they can come to you or another trusted adult if they're feeling worried or upset by anything they have seen
- **Use digital devices together:** Get involved in your child's online activities. Have fun, play games, and learn together online
- **Set clear expectations:** Agree your own rules as a family when using sites, apps and games
- **Set time limits:** Games can be addictive
- **Be informed:** Set appropriate parental controls

Age Ratings

We have many children from reception to Year 6 who talk to us in depth about playing this game. Therefore, we thought it would be useful to share the recommended age ratings for the game.

- Epic Games: Fortnite Battle Royale says it does not direct the game to children under the age of 13 in the UK.
- The PEGI rating for this game is 12 years old. However, PEGI does not take chat features into consideration when rating games. You can find out more about age ratings here.

The App Store says that users must be 12+ to play

Age ratings are there for a reason. Please consider these carefully.