



Online Newsletter

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Kiddle

We are encouraging children to use the internet for their home learning because it is such a fantastic learning tool. However, it does have its risks. Please ensure that parental controls have been set on any online device to protect your children. They should also use 'safe search' engines. We recommend www.kiddle.co/ for children to search from.

TOP TIPS FOR PARENTS

Talk to your children about staying safe online in the same way you would talk about crossing roads safely. Simply change 'stop, look and listen' to 'be SMART'.



SOCIAL MEDIA SAFETY—SNAPCHAT



We want our children to stay in contact with each other and social media is a wonderful tool for this, if used safely.

Snapchat is a popular instant messaging app for ages 13+. However, many younger children also have access to it. Kids like it because the pictures they send over the app aren't permanent and delete from their friend's phone after a maximum of 10 seconds. However, many children and adults don't realise that the receiver of any pictures can still take a screenshot, making the picture permanent! Talk to your children about what they would be happy for ANYONE in the world to see in a picture because any picture sent on any app has the potential to be shared.

Snapchat also has a feature that can make it very unsafe called Snap Maps. This means that anybody with access to your Snapchat can also see your location. You can turn the location settings off, making it much safer to use.

"The Grandma Rule"



Click on the images to the right for more help on protecting your children online.

If you have an urgent online safety concern that you feel you need support with, please contact the office at Priory Fields: 01304 211543

Remember, if you think your child is in danger you should call the police.

