

Online Safety Top Tips



Secured passwords

Ensure personal information and passwords are kept private. Never use your real name for your username and ensure passwords are difficult to guess.



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Personal information

All your personal information should be kept private. Think about what information you post online, who might see it and the possible risks.

Digital footprint

Be careful what photos, videos and posts you make and share. As soon as it is posted online it is no longer in your control and can be copied, shared and possibly used inappropriately.



Never meet in person

Meeting someone from a chat room or social networking website could be dangerous. Online friends are still strangers and may not be who they say they are.

Reliable

Always check that information is correct and use reputable sources. Also, some people post false information or use false identities online to cause harm and trick people.



Bullying

If you are a victim of bullying or someone is harassing you, be sure to tell your parents or a trusted adult as soon as it begins.

Accept

Do not accept emails, instant messages and friend requests from people you do not know. Messages may contain viruses or unpleasant information and images.



REPORT
ABUSE



Tell

Tell a trusted adult if anything online makes you feel uncomfortable. Websites have support email addresses or alert buttons that enable users to report inappropriate behaviour, including bullying.



For more information visit:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk>

<https://www.childnet.com/young-people/secondary>

