

Web Links and E-Safety

The internet is such an integral part of children's lives these days. It opens up so many educational and social opportunities, giving them access to, quite literally, a world of information and experiences.

Whether on a computer at school, a laptop/tablet at home, a games console or mobile phone, children and young people are increasingly accessing the internet whenever they can and wherever they are.

As you would protect your child in the real world, you will want to make sure that they are safe whatever they are doing. Like learning to cross the road, online safety skills are skills for life. If your child understands the risks and can make sensible and informed choices online, they can get the most from the internet and stay safe whilst doing so.

How can you protect your child online?

These two websites suggest a number of things you can do that will make your child safer online

- Kidsmart (<u>http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/</u>)
- Government Internet Safety (http://www.nidirect.gov.uk/internetsafety)