

SAFER INTERNET DAY

2017

BE THE CHANGE: UNITE FOR A BETTER INTERNET

- This is the slogan for the 2017 safer internet day
- WHAT DO YOU UNDERSTAND BY THIS SLOGAN?

HOW TO KEEP YOURSELF SAFE ON THE INTERNET

- 1) Don't post any personal information online – like your address, email address or mobile number.
- 2) Think carefully before posting pictures or videos of yourself. Once you've put a picture of yourself online most people can see it and may be able to download it, it's not just yours anymore.
- 3) Keep your privacy settings as high as possible.

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- 4) Never give out your passwords
 - 5) Don't befriend people you don't know
 - 6) Don't meet up with people you've met online. Speak to your parent or carer about people suggesting you do
 - 7) Remember that not everyone online is who they say they are

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- 8) Think carefully about what you say before you post something online.
 - 9) Respect other people's views, even if you don't agree with someone else's views doesn't mean you need to be rude.
 - 10) If you see something online that makes you feel uncomfortable, unsafe or worried: leave the website, turn off your computer if you want to and tell a trusted adult immediately.

HOW WELL CAN YOU KEEP YOURSELF SAFE?

- <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2017/safer-internet-day-2017-quiz>

REMEMBER

- Never put pictures of yourself/friends online that you would not show your parents
- Keep your profile private
- Make sure you know who is on your 'friends' list
- Report using the abuse button

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- It is crucial that children (under 18 years) understand that every internet site and social networking site is monitored by an administrator. When photographs that fall within the category of an indecent image (even if taken with consent) are uploaded, reports are made by the administrators to the Police.
- If a person is aged over 10yrs and distributes (shares - even to friends) an indecent image then they can be arrested, charged and dealt with for this offence. If they are found guilty they must then register as a sex offender.

SCENARIOS OF LIVE INVESTIGATIONS

- *A girl has sent a picture of her breasts to her boyfriend. They then fall out and the boyfriend then sends this picture to his mates as a joke. The girl and the boy are guilty of distribution of an indecent image of a child. A child is defined as a person under the age of 18 years.*
- *A teenager who takes a picture of his genitals and then sends this to his friends as a joke – this is distribution and the sender can be prosecuted for this offence.*

REMEMBER

- **Always think before posting anything online: is it fair / is it offensive / will I upset anyone by sharing this / would my parents-carers be happy if they saw this? Once you click SHARE, you can never take it back!**
- **Once you post information online, you lose control of it.**