

Online Safety Update



At John Hellins Primary School, keeping children safe online is a key part of our safeguarding responsibilities. As technology continues to evolve, we aim to equip pupils with the knowledge, skills and confidence they need to use the internet safely, responsibly and respectfully.

How we teach online safety

Online safety is taught regularly throughout the year through computing lessons, PSHE, assemblies, themed events and Safer Internet Day activities.

Children learn about:

- Safe, responsible and respectful use of technology
- Positive online relationships and digital communication
- Managing their online reputation and identity
- Privacy, security and protecting personal information
- Online bullying and how to seek help
- Copyright, ownership and responsible sharing of content
- Recognising risks and knowing where to go for support

We teach children that the same standards of behaviour, honesty and respect apply both online and offline.



Keeping children safe in school

To help protect pupils online, the school uses:

- Robust internet filtering and monitoring systems (Securly)
- Secure school networks and devices
- Clear safeguarding and online safety procedures
- Staff training and professional guidance
- Regular reviews of online safety practices and policies

Any concerns identified through monitoring systems are investigated and managed in line with safeguarding procedures.



Working together with parents and carers

Parents and carers play a vital role in helping children stay safe online. We encourage families to:

- Talk regularly with children about their online activities
- Take an interest in the apps, games and websites they use
- Understand age ratings and privacy settings
- Promote safe and responsible online behaviour
- Contact the school if they have concerns about online safety

We will continue to share information about emerging technologies, popular apps, online trends and current safety concerns to help support families.



By working together, we can help all children develop the skills they need to stay safe, make positive choices and thrive in an increasingly digital world.

Useful resources for families

- Internet Matters
- NSPCC
- Parent Zone
- Childnet
- UK Safer Internet Centre
- CEOP Thinkuknow
- BBC Own It
- Childline