Online Safety Newsletter

Griffin Primary School

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In this half-termly newsletter, we want to keep you informed of the latest online safety updates, as well as sharing information with you about how to keep your children safe online. It is also vital that you know what to do if you have any concerns about your child's or another child's online activities.

How to keep your child safe online

Remember the 'Digital 5 a day':

Online safety website links

Below are some websites that will help you to understand what online safety is (including activities to complete as a family) and give advice about what to do if you are concerned:

DigiSafe Daily - Google Drive

Online and mobile safety | Childline

My privacy (lse.ac.uk)

Advice and support available

If your child needs someone to talk to because of anything which has upset them, it could be that they are being bullied or that they have seen something online which they wish they hadn't, there are a number of places they can go.

Children can ring Childline on **0800 1111** and speak to trained counsellors about any problems they may face. Childline is run by the NSPCC and is there to help your child.

Advice and support available

If you are worried about online abuse towards a child or the way in which someone has been communicating with a child, you can report this to CEOP online at **www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre**

CEOP is a law enforcement agency run by the National Crime Agency (NCA).

Instagram

Instagram is a social networking app for sharing photos and videos from a smartphone. Similar to Facebook or Twitter, everyone who creates an Instagram account has a profile and a news feed. When you post a photo or video on Instagram, it displays on your profile. Other users who follow you see your posts in their feed. If a user has their profile set to private, they must approve your request first. When your profile is created and set to public, anyone can find and view your profile, along with your photos and videos. You must be over the age of 13 to use Instagram.