



SGS Pegasus School Parent/Carer sharing guide (3)



E – Safety

You are most welcome to share this with your son/daughter at home if you think it is applicable to do so. At home, you know the vocabulary they will understand and will be able to choose a time to share when you know they are receptive to receiving the information in this guide.

Why do we need to think about E-Safety?

In this day and age of technology, we need to think about teaching children and young people the skills to be safe online. There are many activities that we teach children skills to keep safe (i.e. swimming, crossing the road) and we also need to teach children to be safe in the online world, so they can have fun, communicate, create and learn. We must also be aware of the danger signs, so we can deal with any situation.

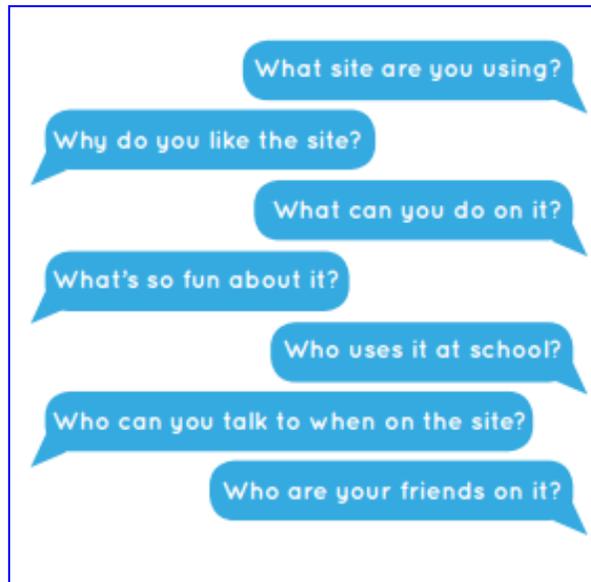
Simple rules for keeping your child safe

To keep your child safe online, the NSPCC encourage children to:-

- ask parent/carers before using the Internet
- only use websites parent/carers have chosen for them or have been chosen together with parent/carers or those that can be found via a child friendly search engine
- never give out any personal information about themselves, friends or family online including home address, phone or mobile number
- never arrange to meet someone they have 'met' on the Internet without talking to an adult first. If a meeting is arranged, always take an adult and meet in a public place
- never tell someone they don't know where they go to school or send a photo of themselves
- tell someone immediately if they see anything they are unhappy with

Being safe at home

- **Explore sites and apps together:** If you think something is inappropriate, discuss it with your child. If you haven't heard of a particular site or app, you can look it up via NSPCC NetAware (www.net-aware.org.uk/)
- **List what not to share:** emphasise the importance of never sharing personal information, i.e names and addresses, with strangers online – no matter how friendly they are. Take particular care to let them know about the dangers of sending personal pictures to people they have not met
- **Supervise children wherever possible:** this might not always be easy – but if children know adults can see what they are seeing online, it will support your child's online safety
- **Take particular care with social media:** children and young people are particularly susceptible to scams, impostors and this is prevalent on social networks i.e Facebook, Twitter and Snapchat
- **Have conversations about the sites and apps they access** i.e



Using ICT at school

We have laptops and iPads that pupils will use as follows:-

- Word processing to write stories, poems or letters
- Databases to record information & create charts, e.g. minibeasts, favourite TV programmes
- Publishing programmes to design posters, leaflets or cards
- Multimedia programmes to present text, pictures, sound and video
- Drawing programmes to create pictures and designs
- Internet access (supervised) to find information & use educational games

We will ask pupils to:-



- Always ask an adult if they want to use a laptop or iPad
- Only look at websites or activities that school have shown pupils they can use
- Always take care of the laptops and iPads and other equipment
- Ask for help from an adult if they are not sure what to do or if they think something has gone wrong
- Tell an adult if they see something that upsets them or they are unhappy about on the screen