Online Safety Tips for Parents and Carers
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Our children are growing up in a world where being online is part of everyday life — from learning and creating to connecting with friends. While the internet offers wonderful opportunities, it also comes with challenges and risks, particularly for young users who are still learning how to stay safe and kind online.

At Woolmore Primary School, we're committed to supporting families in building children's digital confidence, safety, and wellbeing. This flyer shares updated practical tips and trusted resources to help you guide your child towards safe, positive, and balanced online experiences.

Together, we can help every child use technology safely, responsibly, and joyfully.

Warm regards,
The Woolmore Primary School Team

🌐 Top Online Safety Tips for Families

1. Protect Personal Information

- **Tip:** Remind children not to share personal details like their full name, address, or school name online.
- **What to Do:** If they see something uncomfortable, they should talk to a trusted adult right away.
- 🔗 **Resource:** Childnet – Keeping Safe Online www.childnet.com/

2. Promote Kindness and Respect Online

- **Be Kind:** Encourage respectful behaviour in online chats or games.
- **What to Do:** If they see or experience unkind behaviour, teach them to share it with you or a trusted adult.
- 🔗 **Resource:** UK Safer Internet Centre – Advice for Parents

3. Create Healthy Screen Habits

- **Agree on daily screen-free times:** Regular breaks help keep screen time balanced.
- **Other Activities:** Try outdoor play, reading, or creative hobbies to balance screen time.
- 🔗 **Resource:** The Parent Zone – Screen Time Guidance

4. Encourage Safe Searching

- **Use child-friendly** search engines like Kiddle, Swiggle, and KidRex to help filter out **inappropriate** content.
- **Resource:** Kiddle: www.kiddle.co/

5. YouTube Safety

- **YouTube Kids:** Set up YouTube Kids for age-appropriate content and parental controls.
- On regular YouTube, **turn on Restricted Mode** to filter content.
- **Watch together** so you can discuss what they're watching.
- 🔗 Resources:
    - www.youtubekids.com
    - Internet Matters- Youtube: tips to keep your children safe

6. Gaming Safely (including Roblox and Fortnite)

- **Check privacy settings** on games and limit chats to **friends only.**
- **Play Together:** Join your child in their games to monitor and ensure safe interactions.
- **Teach Reporting:** Show them how to report or block inappropriate players.
- **Resources:**
    - Roblox Safety Guide for Parents
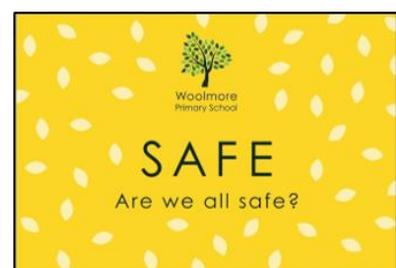   - Internet Matters – Roblox Safety Tips

6. Model Positive Online Behaviour

- Be mindful of your own screen time and digital habits.
- Share positive content and show respectful online communication.
- Establish family digital rules and keep devices out of bedrooms – especially at night.

By following these simple tips, you can help ensure your child has a safe, respectful, and balanced online experience.

Please come and talk to us if you would like some additional advice or support.

Our School Rules

READY
Are you ready?

RESPECTFUL
Are you being respectful?

SAFE
Are we all safe?

Stay safe everyone!