



## Safer Internet Day 7<sup>th</sup> February 2017

### Be the change: unite for a better internet

The day offers the opportunity to highlight positive uses of technology and to explore the role we all play in helping to create a better and safer online community. It calls upon young people, parents, carers, teachers, and other professionals, policymakers, and wider, to join together in helping to create a better internet.

#### Pupils

There are a range of resources available free of charge to help schools support safer internet day. <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2017>

There are education packs available for all age groups which contain assembly and lesson plans ideas and supporting presentations.



[saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/sid-2017/education-packs/education-pack-7-11-year-olds/](https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/sid-2017/education-packs/education-pack-7-11-year-olds/)

#### Parents and Carers

As well as raising awareness with pupils about how to stay safe on the internet it would also be a good opportunity to raise awareness with parent and carers as it is very important that they talk to their children about how to stay safe online and to monitor their children's online activity.

There is an 'Education pack for parents and carers' on the safer internet day website. Other websites that schools may like to signpost their parents and carers to are set out in the table below. It recommended that this information is available for parents and carers on the school website at all times.

<p>NSPCC online safety  <a href="https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/">https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/</a></p>	<p>Provides helpful advice and tools that a parent/carer can use to help keep their child safe whenever and wherever they go online.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has material and information for use with young children as well as older children</li> </ul>
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<p>Thinkuknow  <a href="https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/">https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/</a></p>	<p>Provides helpful advice and tools that a parent/carer can use to help keep their child safe online. They have downloadable guides for parents/ carers on various social media sites like: Instagram, Whatsapp, youtube etc</p> <p>They also have some useful films for parents to watch about the risks online and four specific films about sexting / 'self nudies' and how to talk to their children about this issue and what to do if this happens.</p>
<p>Childnet  <a href="http://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers">http://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers</a></p> <p>The whole website can be read in a variety of languages.</p>	<p>A range of information to support parents/ carers keep their children on safe including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parents: Supporting Young People Online (Leaflets in a variety of languages)</li> <li>• Key advice for parents / carers</li> <li>• Conversation starters to enable parents /carers to talk to their children</li> <li>• How to set parental controls on a range of devices</li> <li>• Gaming</li> </ul>
<p>Safer internet  <a href="http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-and-resources/parents-and-carers">http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-and-resources/parents-and-carers</a></p>	<p>Very specific advice, films and signposting to ensure parents/ carers have the information about how to set up parental controls on a range of devices and their home internet</p>
<p>North Yorkshire Local Children Safeguarding Board (LCSB)  <a href="http://www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk/parents-and-carers">http://www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk/parents-and-carers</a></p>	<p>In partnership with other agencies the LSCB have developed an information leaflet containing practical advice about how parents/ carers can support their children stay safe online</p>

*(Further websites are available and all website addresses were correct at time of writing)*

### Online Safety Guidance for North Yorkshire schools

This guidance was updated for schools in October 2016. The document was developed in partnership between Education and Skills (NYCC), Inclusion Education (NYCC), the Local Safeguarding Board, North Yorkshire Police, Schools ICT and representatives from local schools. The document sets out the statutory requirements for schools and settings alongside the roles and responsibilities for different members of the school community, the range of issues that need to be considered and signposting to further resources. The overall aim is that all schools and settings have implemented an effective online safety policy that meets the requirements for their school community.

A copy of the guidance can be accessed at

<http://cyps.northyorks.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=35428&p=0>

### Training for schools focused on Online Safety

We still have places left on the **secondary school** training on the 16<sup>th</sup> of February 2017, course code ES-0217-T097 at the Pavilions of Harrogate.

### Outline of the training

The course will address the statutory requirements around online safety from 'Keeping Children Safe in Education' and the Prevent Duty. The course is aimed at Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL), Internet Safety leads, PSHE curriculum leads and pastoral leaders in schools and settings

“The use of technology has become a significant component of many safeguarding issues. An effective approach to online safety empowers a school or college to protect and educate the whole school community in their use of technology and establishes mechanisms to identify, intervene and escalate any incident where appropriate.” Keeping Children Safe in Education, 2016.

**The topics covered in the training include:**

- What are the risks around being online for the whole school community?
- Introduction to NYCC Education and Skills online safety guidance document
- What can the impact be on pupils?
- What are the duties and responsibilities of schools?
- Personal online safety for staff
- Managing your digital footprint
- Policies
- What can schools do to protect pupils and inform parents?
- What to do if? Practical case studies.
- Signposting to resources and curriculum materials

Unfortunately the **primary school training** that is running on the 7<sup>th</sup> of February is now full but we are looking at putting on another date in the summer term.

A shorter version of this training can be provided in schools (or for a cluster of schools) as a staff twilight training session / or on a staff training day. This could then be followed by a parent’s awareness session.

To apply for any of the training please go to <http://smartsolutions.northyorks.gov.uk/>. If you are a school or educational setting your school will have been issued with a username and password for SmartSolutions Online, which will enable your school to log in and apply for training. If you have any questions or need help using the site call the SmartSolutions team on 01609 533 222 or email [smartsolutions@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:smartsolutions@northyorks.gov.uk). Costs for the training will be confirmed when you apply to smart solutions.

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