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Esafety

Dear Parents/Carers,

Keeping children safe online is one of our key priorities as a school. We teach the children to be aware of the risks of the internet and how to keep themselves safe online. At SJA we teach the children and adults to be SMART:

Safe Keep safe by being careful not to give out personal information when chatting or posting online. Personal information includes your email address, phone number and password.

Meeting Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Only do so with your parents' or carers' permission and even then only when they can be present. Remember online friends are still strangers even if you have been talking to them for a long time.

Accepting Accepting emails, IM messages, or opening files, pictures or texts from people you don't know or trust can lead to problems – they may contain viruses or nasty messages!

Reliable Someone online might lie about who they are, and information on the internet may not be true. Always check information with other websites, books or someone who knows

Tell Tell your parent, carer or a trusted adult if someone or something makes you feel uncomfortable or worried, or if you or someone you know is being bullied online.

Our team of Eleaders has spent time interviewing the pupils in our school to find out what apps, websites and games they use a lot. We then researched some of the risks they might come across and thought about what advice we could give to make these better. Please read our advice through to see how you can keep your children safe.

Thank you,

Keeley Garrod and Darcie Sykes,
SJA ELeaders





E Safety at Swaffham Junior Academy

The following are the most common apps and websites used by children at SJA as found in our pupil survey.

What	Min Age	What is it?	Possible Risks	What can you do?
You Tube	18 to hold an account. 13+ can sign up for an account with a parent's permission.	<i>YouTube</i> is a free video sharing website that makes it easy to watch online videos. You can create and upload your own videos to share with others.	Anyone can upload a video to Youtube so content can contain inappropriate language or images. Public comments may contain inappropriate/offensive language.	First, make sure you're signed in. Scroll down, click on the Safety button at the bottom of the home page, and then choose On from the choices below. To make sure your children don't change this setting, click Lock safety mode on this browser and enter your login data when prompted.
Minecraft	At least 7	Minecraft is a game where you dig (mine) and build (craft) different kinds of 3D blocks within a large world of varying terrains and habitats to explore.	Bullying, talking to strangers, viruses. Although rare, children may also come across inappropriate content like violent or sexual language and images via group functions. There is a 'dark underworld' - the 'Nether'. There are some darker elements and it is not suitable for younger players	Turn off chat. Find a child friendly server Watch out for viruses and malware Set time limits for children Children know to tell if they see anything upsetting.
Roblox	Under 13s must have their parents add their date of birth and add an email address to verify.	Roblox is a game-creation site where users design and upload their own games, as well as play other games in a multiplayer environment.	Some of the gameplay is advanced, and many games include weapons. Some users have used inappropriate/predatory messages.	The site offers a safe-chat mode for those under 13 (although this will connect children with others who 'claim' to be under 13 so still be vigilant), as well as a parent login that lets you oversee your child's use of the site. Be aware when your children are using the site, especially when children are connecting with people they've just met.
Facebook	Facebook requires everyone to be at least 13 years old.	A social network which lets you create a page about yourself. You can add friends, write on people's pages, share photos and videos including live videos. Messenger allows you to instant message in group chats or one to one. Facebook allows live streaming.	Inappropriate language, images and videos. Live streaming a particular issue.	Stick to age recommendations. Report and block inappropriate users/content Educate children about their digital footprint: What you put online stays online forever and may be used by others Facebook has a license to use your 'work'.

Snapchat	Snapchat's terms of use include verifying the user is at least 13 years of age and, if under age 18, they have parental permission.	Snapchat is a fun mobile messaging application that lets you share photos, videos, text and drawings that expire and automatically delete themselves after a set time, ranging from a few seconds up to 24 hours. Popular are its filters, face swap and lens functions.	Inappropriate videos and images could be sent and quickly 'wiped away' so there can be a lack of evidence in following up inappropriate behaviour. Snapchat's default settings track the user's location and displays this for the public to see.	Use a modified version/app aimed at younger children e.g Snapkidz Only connect with friends that you know. Turn the location settings onto ghost mode or only share with friends.
Music.ly	At least 13 years of age.	musical.ly is a social media platform for creating, sharing and discovering short music videos.	Live video chat gives potential for inappropriate videos. Some shared videos might be inappropriate. Recent case in Kings Lynn of a man who 'exposed himself' to school children after asking them to go on live chat using this app.	Check security settings on this app. Only connect with known friends. Do not accept requests for live chat.

