



Welcome to Cornwall Learning's end of year edition.

For Teachers

Is your school searching the Internet safely?

Do you know that Google and Microsoft along with some other major search providers have recently announced changes to the way they return (or will soon be returning) search results?

This change means that all search results will use 'https' (secure padlock displayed in web browsers)

Key Points:

Why?

- Google (and other search providers) have stated they are taking this course of action to make searching the web more secure by preventing search terms, results and login information from being intercepted by others.

How will this change affect schools?

- It may impact on the ability of schools and other users to filter web content and search terms effectively in order to block access to inappropriate and harmful content
- The risk of inappropriate search results being returned is much higher
- The possibility of inappropriate content bypassing filters is increased
- This could present a safeguarding issue, as it means it is now more likely that inappropriate material could appear in search results

What can schools do?

- Continue to use the SSL search services now offered by providers without any changes to filtering solutions.

RISK Schools choosing this option should be aware that more inappropriate material could now be delivered to users

- If your school's primary search tool is Google, ensure that Google's SafeSearch is applied to search results.

RISK Inappropriate search results, including images, could be returned and displayed to learners.

Recommendation - Schools should contact their provider of filtering and/or broadband services.

Read more about it at:

<http://www.nen.gov.uk/ssl-search-in-schools/> (June 2015)

Ofsted released a new guidance document for inspectors in June 2015.



This draft document is titled 'Inspecting safeguarding in early years, education and skills settings' and will remain in draft until September 2015 when the guidance will become statutory.

The term e-Safety has been replaced with the broad term 'online safety' – there are a few references within the document:

Read the full document at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/common-inspection-framework-education-skills-and-early-years-from-september-2015>

BBC Bitesize has changed!

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zft3d2p>

The new Bitesize site brings together in one place all the BBC's formal education content - not just the familiar Bitesize learner guides covering all the main secondary subjects, but also new primary guides and thousands of curriculum-mapped video clips for both secondary and primary classrooms. Built on the latest technology, the new site is better designed, easier to use and easier to update. It will also work as well, if not better, on mobiles and tablets than it does on desktop and laptop computers, so you'll be able to take Bitesize with you wherever you go and learn on the move.

Computing at School

CPD toolkit for primary and secondary schools

<http://www.computingatschool.org.uk/index.php?id=current-news&post=quickstart-launch>

Survey reveals that two thirds (68%) of primary and secondary teachers are concerned that their pupils have a better understanding of computing than they do.

A survey carried out by Computing at School and Microsoft has revealed that although almost three quarters (73%) of teachers responsible for teaching computing feel confident delivering the new computing curriculum, many still lack confidence in certain areas. After the first term of the new computing curriculum 69% of teachers surveyed said they enjoyed teaching computing. However, 81% called for more training, development and learning materials. The survey findings highlight key issues which Microsoft and Computing At School have been working to tackle in the past nine months. With funding from Microsoft and the Department for Education, Computing At School has produced QuickStart Computing, a training toolkit to help teachers build their confidence in delivering the new computing curriculum.

This resource is available to all teachers to download from www.quickstartcomputing.org and includes videos, interactive tools, teacher's handbook, and links to other resources.

Teachers Media International is a global provider of online professional development services for the education sector:

<http://www.teachers-media.com/>

STOP PRESS

Children say they view playing a computer game with a friend is a form of exercise!

A poll of 1,000 5 to 16-year olds suggested 75% of young people enjoy PE at school, and two-thirds feel better after taking part in sport. But the survey also revealed the scale of the challenge from digital technology. Some 23% of children said they viewed playing a computer game with a friend as a form of exercise.

Read the article in full at:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-33227471> 23rd June 2015



For Parents

The Family Online Safety Institute's website provides:

- Help on how to talk to your children about online safety
- Advice on parental controls
- Simple sets of rules
- Videos, advice sheets, resources

<https://www.fosi.org/good-digital-parenting/>



Do you know what the Pegi labels indicate?

The PEGI labels appear on the front and back of video game packaging and indicates one of the following age levels: 3, 7, 12, 16 and 18.

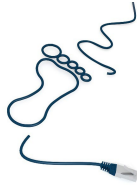


For more information:

<http://www.pegi.info/en/index/id/33/>

How big is your digital footprint?

View the video clip on CommonsenseMedia:
<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/videos/follow-the-digital-trail>



Do you ...Protect Your Privacy?

Every time you publish information online, for everyone to see, a little bit of your privacy will disappear and you will be adding to your online reputation and digital footprint. Of course, when you create profiles on social networking sites or when you are chatting with others you always give away some private details about yourself but be careful: not everyone online has good intentions.

Find out more by visiting this website:

<http://www.saferinternet.org/online-issues/children-and-young-people/protect-your-privacy>

Insafe provides several resources to be used within the family environment:



- The online activity book Play and Learn, offers children aged 4-8 the opportunity to sharpen their basic language and mathematical, social and cultural skills. It gives them a glimpse of the impact modern technology can have on their everyday life. Above all it offers an opportunity for parents and teachers to sit together with their children and discuss these important issues.
- The Digital Universe of your Children is a three-minute animation which tackles the parental concern of 'Who are your kids talking to online?', providing practical tips for parents to help their children stay safe.
- The eSafety kit for families was developed by Insafe and Liberty Global for children aged 6-12 and explores online safety issues such as security, communication, cyberbullying and entertainment, while offering parents, teachers and young people advice on how to overcome any issues encountered.

Find more Insafe eSafety resources at:

<http://www.saferinternet.org/resources>

Nude Selfies: What Parents and Carers Need to Know

Thinkuknow/CEOPS recently launched 'Nude Selfies: What Parents and Carers Need to Know'. This is a series of four short animated films for parents and carers offering advice on how to help keep their children safe from the risks associated with sharing nude and nearly nude images.

The films aim to help parents and carers:

- Understand young people's motivations for sending nude selfies.
- Plan to respond positively and constructively to an incident in which their child has shared a nude selfie.
- Gain confidence and skills in initiating preventative conversations.
- Identify risky behaviours or situations and know where to seek help.
- Know how to get help if a child is at risk after sharing an image.

Watch the videos here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XjV0IKYpakk>



Useful Website Links for inclusion in your Newsletters and on your School Website:

<https://www.cyberstreetwise.com> - HM Government – this site provides excellent advice on how to protect yourself, your family and your business

<http://uk.safesearchkids.com> - UK delivers safe results from google.co.uk, powered by Google

<http://support.xbox.com/en-GB/xbox-live/online-privacy-and-safety/online-safety> - Find out to set up privacy settings for children accessing games via Xbox LIVE

Plus (a few others as previously notified):

<http://www.internetmatters.org> - find out what children are doing online, issues that might be affecting children, how to take action.

<http://www.commonsensemedia.org> - provides trustworthy and reliable age appropriate media reviews - videos, games and films.

<http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk> - support and guidance for teachers, parents, carers and children

<http://www.digizen.org> - cyberbullying and social networking advice

<http://www.kidsmart.org.uk> - online e-Safety learning for the whole family.

<http://www.childnet.com> - hot topics and how to get to grips with digital issues.

<http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/about/helpline> - UK Safer Internet.

<http://www.vodafone.com/content/index/parents.html> - online magazine which contains helpful advice for parents and carers – setting up controls, latest technology, reporting routines.

<http://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/> - helpful advice and tools.

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