

Online Safety Advice For Parents

Online safety plays a major role in our lives and is now more important in education than ever before. This is why at Cobbs Brow we teach our children to be careful when they are using the internet and how to report any issues they may come across to a member of staff or an adult. The internet has been essential in helping us to stay in touch with friends and family as well as providing entertainment and a way of learning. With this access to the internet children are at a higher risk of coming across some of the dangers that exist online.

Below are some links to help you report any issues online, and websites that you may find useful to support your child.

Should you need any help in supporting your child with keeping safe online then please contact a member of staff at school, we are always happy to help.

Cobbs Brow Top Tips

- Talk to your child about what they are using online.
- Play/have a go yourself.
- Use YouTube kids for added restrictions.
- Download parental control software to track their activity.
- Encourage your child to tell you if they see or hear anything they shouldn't.
- Stick to age restrictions for social media apps.
- Remind them to treat people online how they would like to be treated.
- Never share passwords and usernames.

Social Media Advice : How to help your child learn to engage with social media in a safe way. Also how to play various games such as Roblox safely online.

<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/social-media>

YouTube Kids

Here is a link about how you can vary your child's YouTube access according to their age.

<https://www.youtube.com/kids/parent-resources/>

CEOP: This is an online safety reporting agency. Should you need to report anything relating to a child being safe online then please use the link below.

<https://www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre/>

Thinkuknow: This website has lots of videos and activities to share as a family around topics such as cyberbullying, gaming, live streaming and social media. This is for children age 4-7.

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/4_7/

NSPCC: Here you will find links on how to help your child deal with sexting,
<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Childnet International: Hints and Tips on staying safe.
<https://www.childnet.com/>