

Smartphones, Online Safety and Screen Use

Recently, national headlines have included discussions/concerns around children's smartphone use. At SRG, children are not allowed to bring smartphones (or indeed smart watches) into school. There is one exceptional circumstance in which, on the few occasions when there is a home/school agreement for a Year 6 child to walk home alone, we have agreed in the past for the child to sign a phone in to the care of the Year 6 teacher at the start of the day and then sign it out for their return home.

In terms of online safety on any internet-enabled device, at SRG we teach children how to keep themselves safe online as part of our Computing Curriculum and discuss with them and remind them of the important messages regularly when using technology at school. Part of the learning within PSHE also covers having a balance of on-screen and off-screen time. Our broad and balanced curriculum, along with the range of enrichment and extra-curricular activities promote healthy lifestyles and various, broad interests and pass times that support children in leading healthy, balanced lifestyles.

We recognise that school can offer a supportive role in sharing information out to parents relevant to primary aged children, to help make informed decisions related to their own child at home. For this reason, we periodically share information out to parents that we feel may be useful.

There is a lot of information out there available to parents that covers topics such as setting parental controls, supporting your child to stay safe online, helping develop agreements at home about possible limits for screen use.

We hope the following links from UK Safer Internet Centre, Parent safe and CEOP are useful:

saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers

 UK Safer Internet Centre

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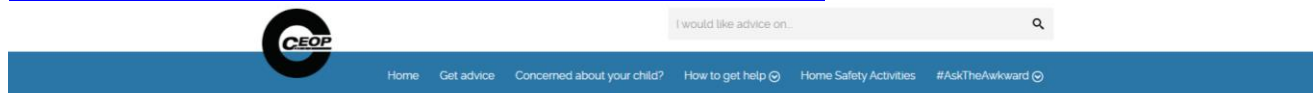
This page is for parents - if you are a teacher, click [here](#)

It's never easy to know how to keep our children safe when they aren't with us, and sometimes even when are, if we don't know what's happening in their lives or on their devices! Who are they talking to, what are they doing, are they okay? Don't despair though...scroll through this page for help or click a button to go straight to a particular topics.

- TOP TIPS RIGHT NOW
- SAFE SETTINGS & CONTROLS
- WHAT'S THAT APP?
- TALKING TO CHILDREN
- SCREENTIME
- TOP TOPICS (porn, bullying, ...)
- SEX & RELATIONSHIPS
- HELP & REPORTING

TOP TIPS FOR PARENTS RIGHT NOW!

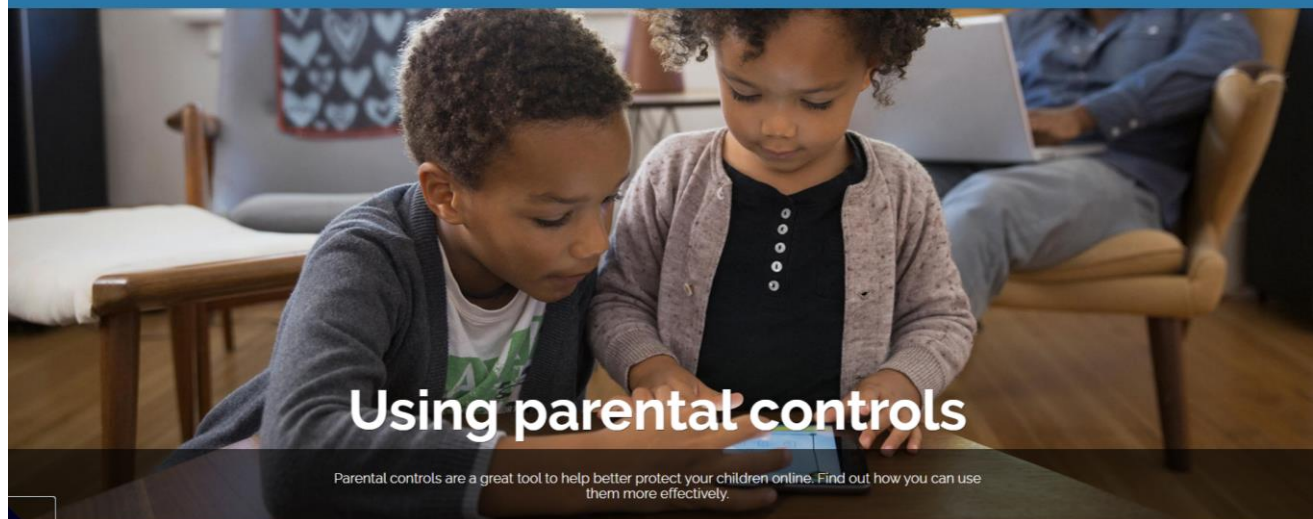
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Using parental controls

Parental controls are a great tool to help better protect your children online. Find out how you can use them more effectively.