

12 Social Media Online Safety Tips FOR CHILDREN WITH NEW DEVICES

With Christmas only a few weeks away, many of you will be using social media to share your excitement with friends and family. Being active on social media is a great way to show others how much fun you're having, but it's important that you know how to use these apps safely and securely so that bad things don't happen. By following our safety tips below, you can make sure that your personal information stays private, your postings are positive and that your social media use overall is responsible, healthy and most of all enjoyable.

1 DON'T ACCEPT FRIEND REQUESTS FROM STRANGERS

Make sure that you set your profile to private so that people you don't know can't find you online. Always tell a trusted adult if a stranger or somebody you don't know sends you a message or a friend request.

2 NEVER SHARE YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION WITH PEOPLE YOU DON'T KNOW

Keep your personal information personal. Sometime people online aren't always who they say they are and might ask you to share things that you don't feel comfortable sharing.

3 DON'T SHARE EMBARRASSING PHOTOS OR VIDEOS OF OTHERS ONLINE

This could really upset them and could get you into a lot of trouble. Always think twice before posting anything on social media and treat people online as you would in real-life.

4 NEVER SEND NAKED PICTURES OF YOURSELF TO OTHERS

This is illegal if you are under 18 and you could get into trouble with the Police. If you are being pressured by someone, always say no and tell a trusted adult. Even if you think it is innocent fun, the photo could be shared with other people and you won't be able to control who else sees it.

5 CREATE A POSITIVE ONLINE REPUTATION

Always be kind and polite when posting comments on social media and only upload pictures and videos of things you are proud of. This forms part of your digital footprint. Everything you do online can be tracked and monitored and could affect what people think of you in real-life if it is negative.

6 LIMIT YOUR SCREEN TIME

Social media can be addictive, and it is easy to keep checking newsfeeds or your notifications every 5 minutes which can affect your behaviour and stop you from doing other things. Remember to only use your phone at certain times of the day, turn notifications off at bedtime and go out and have as fun as much as possible. This will keep you fit and healthy and make you appreciate there's more to life than just what's on social media.

7 BLOCK ONLINE BULLIES

Sometimes people might say nasty things to you online or post offensive comments on your pictures or videos. If this happens, always tell a trusted adult who will help you block them from your profile and support you in taking further action.

8 REPORT INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

If you see something on social media that you don't like, offends you or upsets you, you should always report it to a trusted adult. You should also report it to the social media app who will be able to remove the content if it is against their user policy and can block the person who posted it.

9 ONLY USE APPS WHICH YOU ARE OLD ENOUGH TO USE

Before downloading any new social media app, always check the age-rating. If you need help, ask your parent or carer to make sure that the app is safe for you to use and never download anything which you are too young for as it may contain content that isn't safe for you to see.

10 ALWAYS SECURE ALL YOUR SOCIAL MEDIA PROFILES WITH A PASSWORD

This will help to keep your private information safe and won't allow others to access your profiles without your permission. Make sure your passwords are memorable and personal to you but something which other people can't guess, and always share them with your parents just in case you forget them.

11 ASK PARENTS TO SET-UP 'PARENTAL CONTROLS' FOR SOCIAL MEDIA

When you download a social media app, you should always ask a trusted adult to help you set it up for the first time. This will help you control who sees what you post, who can contact you and make sure you are able to enjoy using the app safely and securely.

12 ALWAYS TALK TO YOUR TRUSTED ADULT IF SOCIAL MEDIA IS MAKING YOU UNHAPPY

Sometimes, social media can make us feel bad about ourselves or sad that we aren't the same as someone else or doing the same things as someone else. Remember, if you ever feel this way, it's really important to talk to your trusted adult(s) like your parents, carers, other adult family members or a teacher, all of whom will be able to support you and discuss your feelings with you to help make you feel better.

Learning for Life, Anchored in Christ

Hi All,

I can't believe that Christmas day is less than a week away. What a fantastically busy and successful half term we have had here in school. Amazing early years and year one sharing their hard work at putting on the Nativity, followed by the whole school Christmas Showcase with all the children sharing their more creative skills and achievements from music to dance and a little of everything in between.

We have academic success, an amazing SIAMs inspection, discos, parties, concerts, carols and even a visit from Mrs Claus. I know the children are ready for a rest and so are the staff!

I wish you all a very merry and blessed Christmas and look forward to welcoming you all back, usual time on Monday 6th January 2020!

Miss Shryane - Head Teacher

Our values focus this half term has been **Hope**

Look out for our new value focus next half term.



Faith makes all things possible
Hope makes all things possible
Work, Love makes all things possible
Beautiful, May you have all the three for this Christmas

Merry Christmas

This week brings a time I personally never thought I'd be here to see...our beloved lunch supervisor Pam Fyffe is calling an end to her time at St. Clement's.

Many of the parents and adults in the community that came to the school in their youth will remember Pam as she has been here for over 30 years! It is a great loss and a sad time for us here in school but I know along with the staff, all you parents will want to wish her the very best in what ever she chooses to do next and we wave goodbye with love and affection.

Good Luck Pam, thank you for everything you've done for all the children over the years.



GOOD BYE & GOOD LUCK!

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the last day of term
Friday 20th December
school will be
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Children will have lunch and can be collected from **12:15pm**

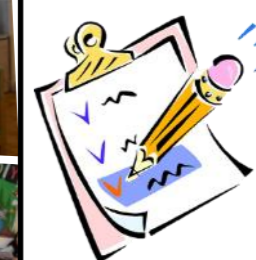
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Cosmic Champions

Our Cosmic Champions for this term enjoyed a film afternoon and treats. Well done to you all!

Lmar, Amani, Yusuf, Sienna, Ibrahim, Joel, Marwa, Ellis, Luliyana, Ayah, Miada and Sumaya.



Parent enrolment for the Entry English Level 1 Course, which will be starting in the new year, will be held on Friday 10th January at 9am.

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First Day Back

Monday 6th January 2020 at NORMAL TIME

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all of us here at St. Clement's

Safeguarding: Online Safety. Christmas is a great time of year to take photos, videos and make lots of memories with friends and family. Unsurprisingly, children will want to share these festive moments on social media, and will no doubt be keen to see what their own friends and family are up to as well. But it pays to be vigilant online and it's important that children stay safe.

Social media apps have become a part of daily life for most of us and typically tend to be the first thing children look to download when they get a new smartphone device. They're a great way to keep in touch with friends, stay on top of news and learn new things online. But do children really understand the dangers? Do they know how to protect themselves from strangers? And do they know how to build a positive online reputation?

There is a guide on the back of the newsletter that provides children with twelve safety tips, intended to help them use social media safely and securely. Designed to be used as either a resource for first-timers or as a good reminder of general safety measures, the guide provides children with the best ways to keep themselves and their personal information safe.

