Online Safety: Staff Briefing

Autumn 2023

This is a termly staff briefing produced by Knowsley CLCS, it is designed to update school practitioners with some of the latest research and resources to support the delivery of online safety in schools.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Online Safety

Common Sense have published an article about what educators can do as this technology evolves:

https://www.commonsense.org/education/articles/chatgpt-and-beyond-how-to-handle-ai-in-schools

SWGfL have also created a hub on their website providing an introduction to AI, the benefits and also what you may need to consider as a school.

You can also access free lesson plans about artificial intelligence.

https://swgfl.org.uk/topics/artificial-intelligence/

Safer Internet Day 2024

This annual event will take place on Tuesday 6th February 2024 and the theme this year will be 'Inspiring change'. They will also add free resources (such as videos and quizzes) nearer the time. Find out more here:

https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2024
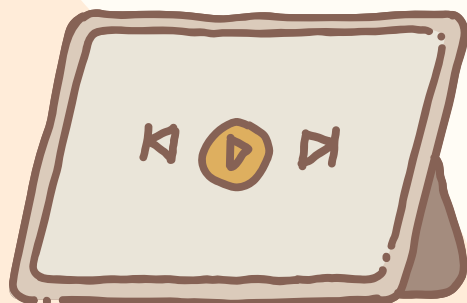
Online Safety & Acceptable Use Policy Templates

LGfL have updated their policies. They are free to download and include:

- Online Safety Policy Template
- Social Media Policy Template
- Symbolised AUP for pupils with SEND

You can access them here:
https://lgfl.net/safeguarding/resources?field_safeguarding_topic=301&s=24

www.knowsleyclcs.org.uk

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NSPCC Learning: Childline

NSPCC Learning have published a new page with information about Childline. This new page is to help anyone who works with children and young people to signpost to Childline's support and advice.

https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/services/childline

Establishing a safe learning environment

This is a useful article offering advice on establishing a safe and supportive learning environment for online safety activities.

https://www.childnet.com/help-and-advice/establishing-a-safe-learning-environment-for-sensitive-activities/

Prevent Duty Guidance Webinar

LGfL are hosting a free Prevent duty guidance webinar, which will include key insights and tips to help schools prepare for the changes that come into effect on 31st December 2023. You can book here:

https://lgfl.bookinglive.com/book/add/p/141

Childnet Film Competition 2024

The Childnet Film Competition 2024 has launched with the theme - How would you make the internet a better place? All film entries must be in by 5pm on the 22 April 2024. The competition is open to both Primary (7-11 years) and Secondary (11-18 years). You can find out more here:

https://www.childnet.com/what-we-do/our-projects/childnet-film-competition-2024/

Professionals Online Safety (POSH) Helpline: new resources

POSH have published new resources, which aim to support common queries the Helpline receives, including how to report on social media, impersonation and sexting advice.

https://saferinternet.org.uk/blog/new-resources-available-from-the-professionals-online-safety-helpline

SWGfL: New Policy Template

SWGfL have published a new Policy Template - Computer Misuse and Cyber Choices.

https://swgfl.org.uk/magazine/new-policy-template-to-support-schools-with-computer-misuse/