

⇒ <u>STEPS TO PROTECTION:</u>

- I have installed a web safe browser on the computer
- I have asked my child to show me the sites they use
- I have talked to my child's mobile Phone provider about filtering
- software
- I have asked my child to set their profile setting to private and add
- the ClickCEOP app to their facebook profile:
- <u>www.facebook.com/clickceop</u>

→ WHAT CAN YOU DO TO

- **PROTECT YOUR CHILD** Don't be intimidated by the technology and **KEEP TALKING TO YOUR CHILD** about their online life
- Privacy is a key issue Online so remind Your child to **KEEP THEIR PERSONAL INFORMATION PRIVATE**
- Help your child Create STRONG PASSWORD combination of numbers,
- letters and symbols for their accounts

⇒ <u>PRIVACY</u>

Chatting to friend on sites like FACEBOOK or MySpace is really cool, but how much information does your profile give away about you?

WHAT'S ON YOUR PROFILE

Where you're going on Saturday	
Full name	✓
Home address	\checkmark
Mobile number	✓
Photos of you	✓
School name	✓

Imagine if someone wanted to **find you or learn stuff** about you to bully you. Would the information on your profile make this pretty easy? Your personal information may be more public than you think ...

- SET YOUR PRIVACY SETTINGS TO PRIVATE so only people you accept
- as friends can view your profile
- Only upload photos you'd be happy to show a stranger, Your mum or a future employer; you never know where it may end up.
- Think about whether you're giving someone Clues to find you, before you write stuff on your profile
- Add the FACEBOOK 'CLICKCEOP' APP www.facebook.com/clickceop

⇒ <u>CYBERBULLYING</u>

Some people use technology to bully others. This is not right and you do not have to put up with it. If you are aware that someone is being cyber bullied, it is your duty to report it.

IF YOU ARE BEING CYBERBULLIED:

- SAVE any abusive texts, emails or other evidence.
- DO NOT RESPOND TO OR CONFRONT THE BULLY; if they get a reaction from you it may encourage them.
- TELL AN ADULT YOU TRUST and they will be able to help make it stop.
- For HELP AND ADVICE AROUND CYBERBULLYING visit: www.cybermentors.org.uk

⇒ WHO CAN I TELL IF I'M WORRIED

If something is happening online that **makes you feel weird** or uncomfortable, there are people you can tell that **can help**.

- VISIT <u>www.thinkuknow.co.uk</u> for lots of information and advice about how to protect yourself and **where to go for help** with different issues.
- Check out the **ClickCEOP** button in places like Microsoft's Internet Explorer 8, Windows live Messenger, Google Chrome and Facebook



WHAT RISKS ARE POSED TO MY CHILD ONLINE? It is important to remember that the internet is a fantastic resource and creates a plethora of opportunities for both adults and young people. The internet reflects behaviour in the real world; however users tend to feel less inhibited when online.

- Young people often UNKNOWINGLY SHARE PERSONAL INFORMATION ONLINE
- IT IS EASY TO LIE ONLINE, so you don't always know who you're talking to
- Young people tend to forget online actions have offline & often LONG TERM CONSEQUENCES

JUST A FEW SIMPLE STEPS by you can help keep them safe and give young people the awareness to know what to do if they feel uncomfortable about anything they encounter while on the internet. If you do not wish for your child to be able to access any inappropriate content online, please ensure that their computers, laptops and other devices with internet access are all fitted with parental controls. You can find free downloadable versions online or you can contact your internet service provider (such as BT, Talk Talk, Sky) for more information. As a **minimum**, please set parental controls on your search engines, youtube account and the mobile phone your child uses.

One of the most popular search engines in the world is Google. You can visit Google's informative safety centre for **simple** step by step guides - <u>www.google.com/familysafety/tools</u> Here are a few options available to you; they truly are simple to set, promise.

Visit the Google home page – <u>www.google.co.uk</u> and click on the 'search setting' tab in the top right hand corner.

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You can also set	his on your child's smart phone;	
SafeSearch on your r	bone	

SafeSearch is accessible on your mobile device by using the browser to access the Google homepage. Choose settings located at the bottom of the screen and you'll see the option to select Strict, Moderate or to turn SafeSearch off completely.

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Please be aware that no filter is 100% accurate. CEOP advice that you talk to your child about the sites they use. Why don't you discuss:

Their favourite online sites	What they enjoy most, the fun aspects of being online?
What they think can go wrong?	How would they react if things got out of control?

Let them know that you understand that situations happen online and that seeing 'adult' material can make them feel uncomfortable. Make sure they know that you are there to help.