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TikTok

Inappropriate Video Clips

Earlier this week the momo story went viral on social media. It attracted millions of shares and resulted in newspaper articles reporting the tale. According to the story, children are contacted on social media by momo. They are asked to carry out challenges as well as being told not to tell members of their family.

The momo story is far more hype and hoax than reality, but the images can still cause distress to children. Police have suggested that rather than focusing on the specific momo meme, parents should use the opportunity to educate their children about internet safety, as well as having an open conversation about what children are accessing.

Charities have confirmed that there have been no reports of anybody receiving messages or harming themselves as a result and they warned that the media coverage has amplified a false scare story.

To avoid causing unnecessary alarm, parents should be careful about sharing news articles that perpetuate the myth. This is merely a current, attention-grabbing example of the minefield that is online communication for kids.
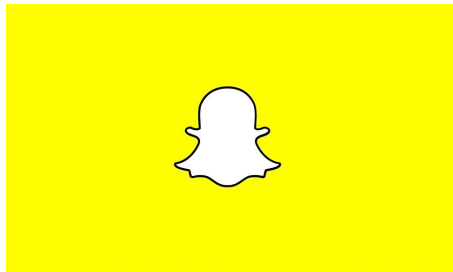
Parental controls are an important way to keep your child safe online.

Parental controls can be used to block upsetting or harmful content, control in-app purchases or manage how long your child spends online. And the good news is parental controls are really easy to set up.

Innocent searches sometimes reveal not so innocent results.

So if you're worried about what your child is searching for online, who they're talking to or what they're seeing, we can help. It's simple to get started. And, along with talking to your child regularly, using parental controls is one of the best ways to help keep children safe online.

Call on 0808 800 5002 to chat to expert NSPCC and O2 advisors.

Snapchat: Age Requirement 13

Safety advice

There is information on safety in Snapchat's safety centre.

Snapchat also has guidance for parents. It explains why young people might like Snapchat, how it works and how to avail of the safety tools available.

Safety tools

- Blocking: When you use the blocking feature, the person you block can't view your snaps or your Snapstory and they can't send you snaps either.
- Privacy settings: Only those who you add as friends can view your snaps. If someone who you haven't added sends you a snap, you will get a notification, but you have to add them as a friend to see what they sent you. You can change who can see your snaps by changing your privacy settings.
- Reporting: If you experience harassment, or bullying, you can report inappropriate snaps.
- Location: Locations in Snapchat are shown in Snap Maps, there are three options for who can see your location; only me, select friends and my friends

Facebook: Age Requirement 13

Safety advice

Facebook's Safety Centre has a range of advice for young people, parents and teachers.

www.facebook.com/safety

The Bullying Prevention Hub has advice and resources too:
www.facebook.com/safety/bullying

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There are a number of safety tools such as **Reporting, Blocking** and **Privacy Settings** and these are explained at www.facebook.com/safety/tools.

Reporting

Find out how to report to Facebook at www.facebook.com/report

You can report Facebook Live videos by following these steps.

You can track the status of reports you make to Facebook from your Support Dashboard.

Follow these steps.

Special reporting forms

- I want to report something but I don't have a Facebook account
- I think my account has been hacked
- Someone has posted pictures of my child without my permission
- I want to report a child who is under 13 and using Facebook

Privacy

There are a range of tools to help you manage who can see your profile. Please see the following advice from Facebook:

- Basic privacy settings and tools
- Find out more about how privacy works for minors
- Learn about Graph Search privacy

Other helpful tools

- Blocking: prevent someone from contacting you or seeing your content
- Activity Log: a record of all of your Facebook activity
- Social reporting: to help people deal with concerns that do not break Facebook's terms and conditions
- View As: see what your Timeline looks like to other people
- Timeline review: review photos or posts you've been tagged in before they appear on your Timeline
- App privacy: control what you share with third party apps on Facebook
- Tag review: lets you review tags that people add to your posts
- Location: review when your location is shared, including how to remove location from existing posts

Tik Tok: Age Requirement 13

Safety advice

There is information on how to set up a private account and how to block someone in TikTok FAQ section.

Safety tools

- Privacy settings: For control over who can see your videos, you can apply privacy settings to ensure you are interacting with people you know. If you have a private account, your friends will need to follow you and you will need to approve them in order for them to see your videos.
- Blocking: If someone is bothering you on TikTok, you can block them.
- Deleting: If a fan is bothering you, you can swipe left to delete them.
- Reporting: If you see inappropriate content on TikTok, you should report it by clicking on the button with three dots and then click 'report abuse'. Should you violate the community guidelines, your account may be removed without warning. If you are a parent and you are concerned with what your child is posting, you can email info@musical.ly

WhatsApp: Age Requirement 16

Safety advice

There is information on staying safe on WhatsApp on its FAQ page.

Safety tools

- Privacy settings: Normally if you know someone's phone number, it can be easy to find out if they are on WhatsApp or not. To control who can find your profile picture and your status, or when you were last online, there are privacy settings that can be adjusted so either 'everyone' on WhatsApp can see your profile picture, just 'your contacts' which are the contacts in your phone book, or nobody.
- Blocking: You can block specific contacts from interacting with you on WhatsApp. If you block someone, they can no longer send you a message, however you will need to delete someone as a contact in your phone book if you want them not to see your

profile on WhatsApp. As each phone is different, you can learn how you can block people on WhatsApp on different phone networks.

- <u>Reporting</u>: You can report content to WhatsApp, although they state it is better to go to law enforcement if you believe your safety, or someone else's safety is at risk. It is important to screenshot the offending text/picture/video and to provide as much information as possible to WhatsApp as they won't be able to see the message otherwise.
- <u>Spam</u>: Should you receive a message from an unknown number, you will be immediately asked if you know this contact or if you would like to report it as spam.

YouTube: Age Requirement 13

Safety advice

YouTube has a <u>Policy and Safety Hub</u>, where you can find out:

- how to report and what happens to reports
- tools and resources for staying safe on YouTube
- policies, for example what is and what is not allowed on YouTube

www.youtube.com/yt/policyandsafety

Safety tools

There are a range of helpful safety features:

- <u>Flag content</u>: report content that breaks the community guidelines (<u>watch video</u>)
- <u>Restricted mode</u>: restrict access to age-inappropriate content
- <u>Video privacy settings</u>: you can make videos public, unlisted or private
- <u>Blocking</u>: prevent someone from commenting on your videos or sending you messages
- <u>Comment moderation</u>: stay in control of who can post comments on your videos
- <u>File a privacy complaint</u>: you can request the removal of videos that include your image, full name or personal information

School Travel Plan – Dragon's Den

On Thursday 14th February, our Junior Road Safety Officers attended 'Dragon's Den' to bid for funds to improve sustainable travel for our pupils. The event was hosted by the Borough and involved the children identifying a project they would like to run in school, preparing and delivering a pitch to secure funding.

Our JRSO's delivered a pitch that even Alan Sugar would have approved of. They obtained the funding required and as a result we will be holding a cycle to school week in the Summer Term with competitions, bikers breakfasts, cycling tuition by the borough trainers for children, a guided evening ride for parents and three balance bikes for KS1 and Early Years.

Well done to all those students involved.

Mrs Mander

Sports Update

Netball

On Wednesday we made the most of the great weather and hosted another netball match against Rabbs Farm.

All the girls played well and enjoyed themselves immensely with the final score being 3-3. They are all looking forward to the tournament tomorrow.

Cricket

On Thursday, we saw the start of our after-school cricket sessions. Although there was a change in the weather the children had a great time. There are still some spaces available - if your child would like to join you can sign them up through sQuid.

Could you spare some time to help out in school?
Do you have an hour a week to listen to some children read?
Maybe you wouldn't mind joining us on the occasional trip?
Perhaps you would like to do some gardening or Art with the children?
We are looking for some volunteers to enhance learning for our children.
No experience needed - training will be given!

If you think you could help us please speak to me or Mrs Boxall on reception
or email me directly: **estrong@ryefieldprimary.org.uk**

Mrs Strong

World Book Day - Thursday 7th March

We will be celebrating **World Book Day** on **Thursday 7th March 2019**. Children should come to school as their favourite book characters or in their own casual clothes, no monies will be required.

Non Uniform Day - Friday 15th March

We will be raising funds for the **MS Society** and the **MS Trust** which are charities close to our hearts on **Friday 15th March 2019**. Children can come to school in their own clothes wearing an item of **Orange** or **Blue**, we would like to encourage every child to donate **£1** to this worthy cause.

Information Received

The Rock Project Greater London

School of Rock & Pop teach 7-18 year olds how to play guitar, bass, drums and vocals in small groups and as a band. Sessions run Wednesday's at Nower Hill High School, Pinner and Thursday's at Vyners School, Ickenham. Juniors (7-11) 4.15-6.15pm and Seniors (11-18) 6.30-8.30pm. Free Taster Session!

Contact Pritpal on 07855 863058 or email **uxbridge@therockproject.com**

Beaver Scout Open Day - Saturday 2nd March

Dates For Your Diary

Tuesday 5th March	Year 6 to Vyners to watch production of Legally Blonde
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day - Children to dress up as their favourite book character - no money needed
Thursday 7th March	Nursery Parents Meetings
Friday 8th March	Nursery Parents Meetings
Wednesday 13th March	Parents Evening - 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Thursday 14th March	Parents Evening - 6.00pm - 8.00pm
Friday 15th March	Year 6 to Junior Citizen Event at Brunel - PM
Friday 15th March	Non-Uniform Day - MS Society and MS Trust - children to wear Orange or Blue - £1 donation
Thursday 28th March	Mother's Day Shop - Friends of Ryefield
Friday 29th March	Darwin Class assembly @ 2.45pm
Friday 29th March	KS1 Disco - 4.00pm - 5.30pm KS2 Disco - 6.00pm - 7.30pm
Friday 5th April	**TERM ENDS** **KS1 - 1.30pm / KS2 - 1.35pm**

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