

Hollybush Bulletin

Online Safety Content

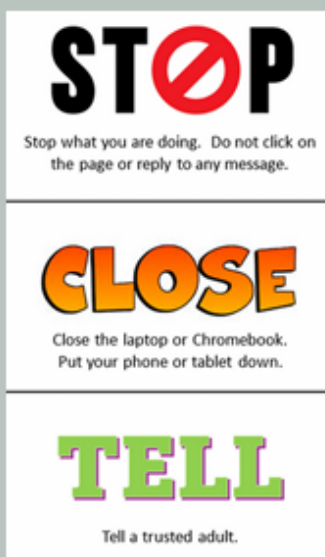
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Online Safety

This half-term KS2 classes have been discussing what to do if they see something inappropriate on their screens at school. Whilst the school has robust filtering and monitoring systems, it is possible that unwanted content may get through. We have come up with three simple words to help children respond appropriately: **STOP, CLOSE, TELL**. Just like a construction worker wears a hard hat to protect themselves, the children know they have to 'put on' their e-safety helmets when online.



There's no reason why these three simple words – **STOP, CLOSE, TELL** – can be used at home, alongside other online safety measures you may have already put in place.



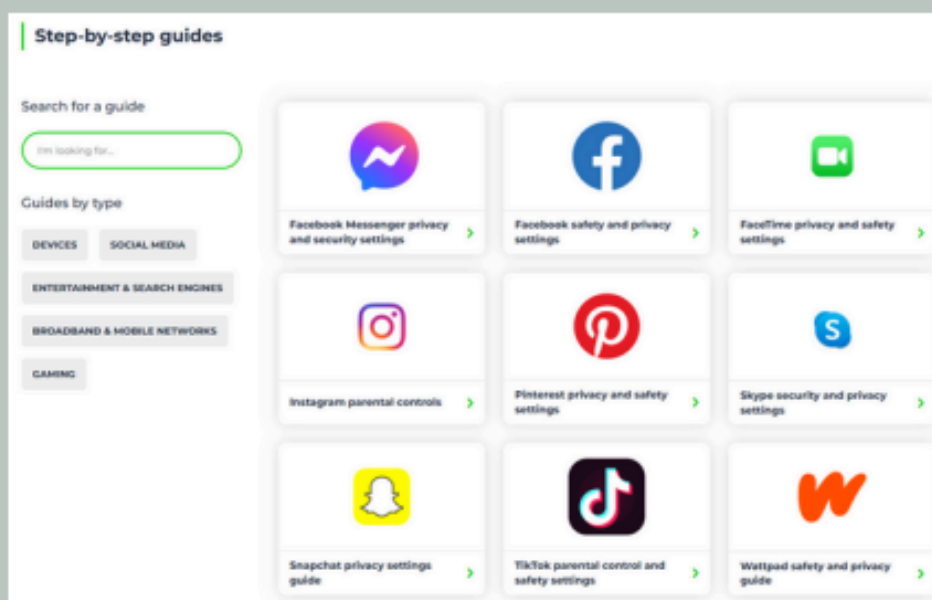
We are all excited about the fast approaching festive season. It's been great to have started this at school with this year's Christingle, a pantomime at BEAM, a wonderful Christmas concert by Years 4,5 & 6 not to mention incredible performances by EYFS and Years 1, 2 & 3. As we all look forward to enjoying some well-earned rest with friends and family, it's still vitally important that we do all we can to safeguard the children and young people in our care over the festive period.

However, it can be tricky to know what specific steps we can take to ensure our winter break is as calm and risk-free as possible. The National College has put together a great resource called 'Safety Over The Festive Season'. This includes a whole range of safeguarding tips. If you'd rather, you can listen to it as a podcast.



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In the last edition of the newsletter the ABC online safety checklist was introduced. The A stands for [Activate parental controls](#). Are you aware of the parental controls that your child's device(s), social media platforms, entertainment and search engines, broadband and mobile networks and gaming platforms have? Have you activated them? [The Internet Matters](#) website is a one-stop-shop for a wide range of guides on how to activate parental controls. It's definitely worth a look if you're wanting to activate parental controls.



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These days keeping children safe online is as important as keeping them safe in the real world. [Internet Matters](#) a website dedicated to keeping children safe online is a great place for advice and resources. To support parents staying safe in a digital world they have created [The ABC online safety checklist](#):

- A - Activate parental controls
- B - Balance screen time
- C - Check and chat

Please do have a look at this checklist in more detail. You can get age-specific advice for the ABC checklist with short videos and additional guides that can be downloaded.

Activate



Balance



Check



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