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Whats NEW?

This newsletter is a great opportunity to keep parents & carers up to date with everything in the Academy, as well as being a useful tool for you to refer to in helping support your students online and outside of school with tips and links.

See below our **Designated Safeguarding Leads** should you need to report any safeguarding incidents or support:

PROUD

EVERY WEEK WE LOOK AT STUDENTS WORK IN BOOKS AND BLENDED LEARNING COMPLETED AT HOME. THE BEST STUDENTS ACROSS THE ACADEMY WILL BE SELECTED TO MEET THE PRINCIPAL, MR KNOWLES TO SHOW HIM THEIR WORK, TALK ABOUT THEIR LEARNING AND BE GIVEN PRIZES!

Safeguarding Leads / Officers






SHARP:

This is a CONFIDENTIAL and anonymous way to help YOU or a FRIEND who needs any for of support here - <https://essa.thesharpsystem.com/>

SOCIAL MEDIA:

Please follow us on all social media formats:

-  Instagram: [essa.academy](https://www.instagram.com/essa.academy)
-  Twitter/X: [@EssaAcademy](https://twitter.com/EssaAcademy)
-  Facebook: [Essa Academy](https://www.facebook.com/EssaAcademy)

AWESOME!



good vibes

WITH REGARDS
MISS O'CONNOR - DSL



THANK YOU!

For your support with E-Safety

PORNOGRAPHY

THE CHILDREN'S COMMISSIONER FOR ENGLAND HAS PUBLISHED A REPORT LOOKING INTO THE PREVALENCE OF PORNOGRAPHY EXPOSURE AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE AND ITS IMPACTS ON CHILDREN'S WELLBEING. THE REPORT COLLATES DATA FROM FOCUS GROUPS WITH 13- TO 19-YEAR-OLDS AND A SURVEY OF OVER 1,000 16- TO 21-YEAR-OLDS IN ENGLAND. FINDINGS INCLUDE:

- 10% OF PARTICIPANTS HAD ACCESSED PORNOGRAPHY BY AGE NINE
- 27% HAD SEEN PORNOGRAPHY BY AGE 11
- 79%, OF YOUNG ADULTS AGED 18-21 HAD SEEN PORNOGRAPHY INVOLVING SEXUAL VIOLENCE BEFORE TURNING 18.

MONITORING:

MAKE SURE YOU AND YOUR CHILD ARE SAFE ONLINE. TRACK AND MONITOR THEIR ACTIVITY REGULAR FOR THEIR SAFETY!

CHILDREN AND PARENTS: MEDIA USE AND ATTITUDES REPORT

THE NATIONAL OFCOM REPORT AND DATA GIVES A DETAILED INSIGHT INTO THE MEDIA USE AND ATTITUDES OF CHILDREN AGED 3-17.

THE RESEARCH HEADLINES FROM THE REPORT INCLUDE:

- USING VIDEO-SHARING PLATFORMS (VSPS) SUCH AS YOUTUBE OR TIKTOK WAS THE MOST POPULAR ONLINE ACTIVITY AMONG CHILDREN AGED 3-17 (95%).
- AMONG ALL TYPES OF ONLINE PLATFORMS, YOUTUBE WAS THE MOST WIDELY USED BY CHILDREN; 89% USED IT, COMPARED TO HALF USING TIKTOK. BUT TIKTOK WAS MORE POPULAR FOR POSTING CONTENT.
- A MAJORITY OF CHILDREN UNDER 13 HAD THEIR OWN PROFILE ON AT LEAST ONE SOCIAL MEDIA APP OR SITE.
 - MORE THAN A THIRD (36%) OF CHILDREN AGED 8-17 SAID THEY HAD SEEN SOMETHING 'WORRYING OR NASTY' ONLINE IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS.
- CHILDREN WERE MORE LIKELY TO EXPERIENCE BEING BULLIED VIA TECHNOLOGY THAN FACE-TO-FACE.
- ONLY A THIRD OF CHILDREN KNEW HOW TO USE ONLINE REPORTING OR FLAGGING FUNCTIONS (32%); AND JUST 14% HAD EVER USED THEM.

Let's stay safe online!

ASKING THE AWKWARD 'TALK LITTLE. TALK OFTEN. ASK THE AWKWARD.' (CEOP)

Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre (CEOP) has put together guidance on 'Asking the Awkward', and this includes talking about teenagers their social or romantic online lives! For many young people, and adults, the online world is an essential component in starting, continuing and ending a romantic relationship! There are short films that you can watch with your child to help start conversations. "Our introduction to Asking The Awkward helps you to prepare for regular conversations with your child about online relationships and related topics. It also offers advice on how to keep conversations positive and what to do if your child tells you something that worries you."