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Launch of our online safety videos for parents and carers

Video 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

The internet is an amazing invention and it can support children's learning and provide fun activities for them. Sadly, the internet also poses serious risks to the safety of children. This is why we teach your children about keeping themselves safe whilst online.

As parents and carers, it can be hard to keep children safe online, and to have useful information and guidance about this. To support parents and carers with it, we are launching our online safety videos. These have been bought by us to help you. They have been produced by an expert in this area, Alan Mackenzie.

Alan Mackenzie specialises in the ever-changing and evolving area of online safety, mainly working in schools all over England and in this first video he will quickly introduce himself and define what online safety means. Many people think that online safety means keeping children safe online. That is correct, but it's much more than that.

One of the most important messages Alan would like to get across is that you can't know everything, neither can you watch your child 24/7. But as parents and carers we have natural curiosity; we know when something doesn't feel right or something has changed and that's when we investigate, mainly by talking to the child.

This first video is just over 9 minutes in length. Over a period of time you will receive another 6 emails from us, all with a link to a new video and some accompanying text. In some of the emails Alan will also include useful links, all of which will take you to free information and resources. There is nothing where you have to pay for anything.

Although much of the information is okay for children, there is some information within the videos that is not appropriate, so please take appropriate precautions when watching any of the videos (e.g. wear headphones). There is also a subtitles option on each video, just look for CC at the bottom right of the video.

Just click on the link or copy/paste the link into your browser.

<https://vimeo.com/507909807/31d8b998bd>

Yours sincerely,

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