

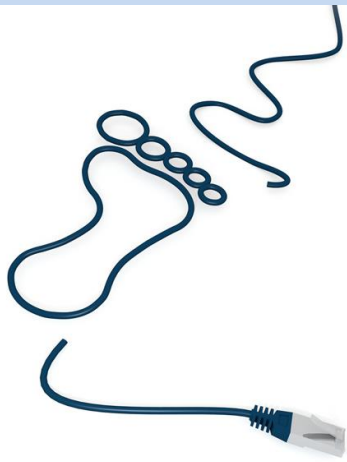
Keeping Safe Online

Tracking your digital footprint

Most of you are familiar with the idea of carbon footprints, but can you explain the analogy that we leave digital footprints all over the internet and we have to be careful that what we leave is appropriate and positive as it will be there for years to come and could impact on your job or college opportunities, future partners etc.

Although we don't want to scare you, it is really important that you understand the impact of what is online, particularly with regard to inappropriate comments, pictures of yourselves etc.

One of the most important messages is that if you receive any indecent images you are just as liable as the person sending the images, even if you didn't ask for them or they are sent by a best friend or boy/girlfriend. You could be prosecuted.



Privacy online

- [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v= o8auwnJ](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o8auwnJtqE)

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This clip looks at a young girl who is ignorant of privacy settings and the possible consequences. It lasts around 8 minutes

- **Watch:**
 - What was she not aware of?
 - What advice would you give her?
 - How likely is this scenario?
 - How safe are your own profiles?



Dangers of internet

- <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vp5nScG6>

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This clip lasts around 3 minutes and has a teenager meeting up with an older guy.

- **Watch:**

- How likely is this situation?
- Why did she meet him?
- What advice would you give her?
- How could she have avoided the situation?
- What are the dangers of the internet?



Sexting

- <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ffnQnqC2QKU>

- What is sexting?
- What is wrong with sexting?
- Can you ever trust someone enough to send them an intimate photo?
- What is the problem with doing this?
- What advice would you give a teenager asked to do this?



The Law: Possessing images

- **Having sexting photos or videos on your phone or computer**

If you are under the age of 18, the law sees you as a child. Therefore, if you have any indecent images or videos of somebody who is under 18, including yourself, you would technically be in possession of an indecent image of a child. This is an offence under the Protection of Children Act 1978 and the Criminal Justice Act 1988.

The Law: Sending Images

- **Sending photos or videos**

If you are under 18 and you send, upload or forward indecent images or videos to friends or boyfriends/girlfriends, this would also be breaking the law, even if they are photos of yourself (“selfies”).



FACTS

The Law - Receiving Images

- If you are in possession of images of a sexual nature of someone under 18 (even if it is your friend or boy/girl friend), you are committing an offence.
- Offenders can be placed on the sex offenders register and can be given a prison sentence.
- This is also the case if you have kept or printed out an image sent to you by a friend

The official advice would be if it is not malicious, but from friend etc, then just delete. If it is malicious or from someone older then report to parents/teachers/police. In this case you should keep the image on whatever device it is on in case it is needed for evidence but not to print out or show anyone else or you will also then become liable under the law for passing on or possessing indecent images of children.

FACTS

Consequences

- Although the Police may not prosecute a teenager for sending or possessing indecent images, this could go down on their record.
- This could then affect any future employment such as teaching etc.
- Also could affect travel – you can't go to America with a criminal record!



You could receive a police caution, or record, you could be placed on the sex offenders register or go to prison. However, the most likely scenario for young people is a warning unless repeat offending. However, because sending/possessing or receiving indecent images of children is against the law we don't know what the consequences might be. Better to be safe than risk affecting your whole future.

Your Digital Footprint

- <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3pDHze5xrs>

- Listen, watch and note down any good advice



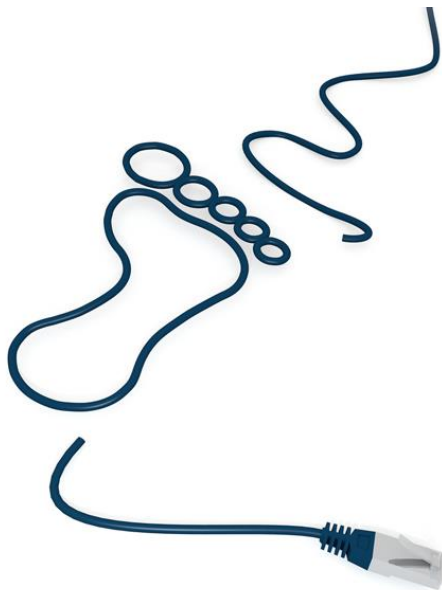
Think of the future!

- <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zY13laJuH98>



Digital Footprint

- 88 per cent of sexting images end up on public websites. (Internet Watch Foundation)



ADVICE

What to do



- **Don't reply** to messages that are meant to harass or upset you. This is likely to encourage the bully
- **Keep the message:** you don't have to read it, but keep it as proof. It is vital to have a record of the incident when you look for help or want to report it.
- **Do not email or print** out the image
- **Report problems** to people who can do something about it, parents, school, police.
- **Block the sender.** You don't have to put up with someone harassing you - block unwanted senders!
- **Tell someone you trust.** Talking to your parents, friends, a teacher, youth leader is usually the first step in dealing with any issue.
- Talk to **Childline**
- **Respect yourself and respect others** - being online is very public and very real, although it doesn't always feel that way.

Free App

Zipit is Childline's app and it is free to download.

If someone is trying to get you to send naked pictures of yourself, use the images on Zipit to keep the situation in control.



Useful website

CEOP Command's website for young people www.thinkyouknow.co.uk has lots of advice on staying safe online.

You can also report directly on this website if you receive suspicious contact from someone. You can always report it straight to us in school to your coach, Deans, Mrs Gill, or any member of staff.

