

SWISS GARDENS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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WSCC Digital Online Safety Package

As a school we decided to purchase the WSCC Digital Safety Package due to the ongoing concerns we had regarding our pupil's and parent's knowledge about keeping safe online.

Key Concerns

One of our key concerns is that children do not have the knowledge or confidence to keep themselves safe online. Through our curriculum and teaching, we are helping our children to navigate the online world safely to increase their knowledge and confidence so that they are able to do this.

The WSCC Digital Safety Package sessions really helped us to focus in school on getting the children to evaluate what they see online, to recognise techniques used for persuasion, to understand acceptable and unacceptable online behaviour, to identify online risks and how and when to seek support, including reporting to CEOP.

We have tailored our teaching and support to the needs of our pupils, using the package as a guide and resource.

The two parent workshops helped us to work with parents and carers to reinforce the importance of children being safe online. They enabled us to share information with parents/carers about:

- what systems they have in place to filter and monitor online use
- what their children are doing online, including the sites they will access
- who their children might be interacting with online

The package was tailored to the needs of our school. The two sessions for teachers highlighted the resources available for them to use with their classes – and how teachers can use these in lessons to support the children. The common e-safety issues we have in our school currently are: cyberbullying, screen time, privacy and security and fake news/information. Cyberbullying through WhatsApp was high in the summer term so a section on that was delivered.

Yours Sincerely

Claire Older (Assistant Head for Inclusion and Safeguarding)