

Online Safety News



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'Better Health' Every Mind Matters

NEW bullying and cyberbullying resources

A suite of **free** primary and secondary PSHE lesson plans and resources have been published by **Every Mind Matters**. These resources help pupils discuss the emotional impact of bullying and cyberbullying while exploring how to respond safely.

Lesson plans include:

- PowerPoint for use in class
- core peer-to-peer activities and plenaries
- activities to help students extend their learning
- a film to support the activities (KS3 & 4 only)

Find out more

Other resources from Better Health Every Mind Matters:

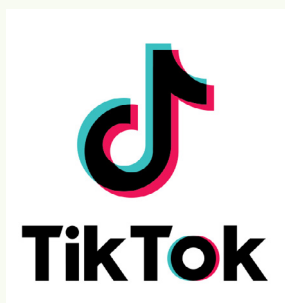
Social media – KS3 and KS4 lesson plan

Body Image lesson plan pack KS3 and KS4 lesson plan

Online stress and FOMO KS3 and KS4 lesson plan pack



Reporting and removing abusive online videos – DfE advice for schools and colleges



There has been coverage in the media of teachers and other school and college staff receiving abuse on social media platforms, including TikTok and Instagram. The DfE has published on its [Education Hub](#), advice on 'How schools and parents can spot and tackle online abuse of teachers.'

Guidance on the Hub states:

'TikTok have confirmed that the best way for parents, schools and colleges to get content removed is to report content through the [Professionals Online Safety Helpline - UK Safer Internet Centre](#). The Professionals Online Safety Helpline has produced [an article and short video on how best to report content](#).

TikTok has committed to removing content which breaches their [community guidelines](#). Call the helpline on **0344 381 4772** or email helpline@saferinternet.org.uk.

We have been clear that social media companies need to take immediate action against harmful content, towards anyone, on their platforms.'

Other social media platforms have their own guidance on how to report abuse including: [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#), [Snapchat](#) and [Twitter](#).



[Get Safe Online](#) also provides important information and advice on where people can get further help and information such as the [National Bullying Helpline](#).

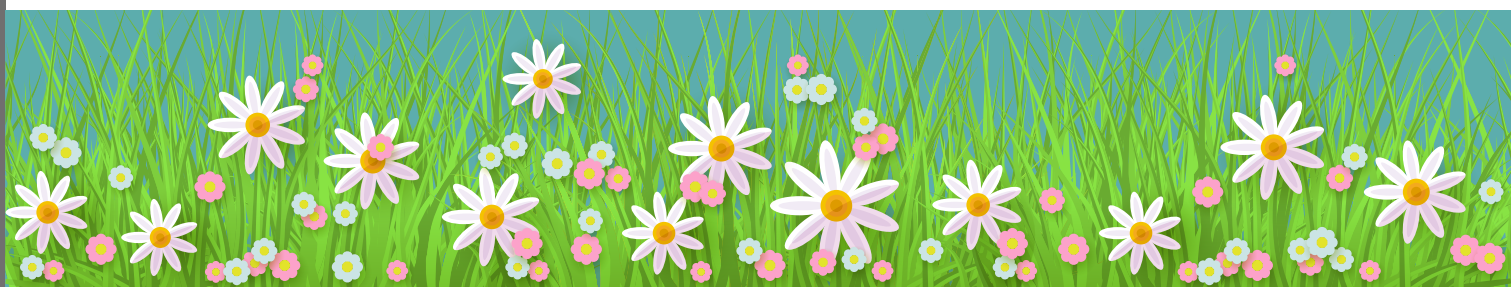
Harmful content can also be reported to '[Submit a Report of Harmful Content](#)' (reportharmfulcontent.com).

Read the whole article:

[DfE | Education Hub | How schools and parents can spot and tackle online abuse of teachers](#)

There is also a useful guide produced by the National Online Safety Hub on what parents need to know about TikTok which is free to access but requires a school to register and become a member.

nationalonlinesafety.com/wakeupwednesday/what-parents-need-to-know-about-tiktok





Report Harmful Content

Report Harmful Content - Reporting button for websites

Report Harmful Content (a service provided by the UK Safer Internet Centre and operated by SWGfL) has introduced an innovative and accessible way for users to report legal, but harmful, material online. Any organisation, including schools, who want to help stop the spread of harmful online content can install the Report Button on their website.

Download the [Report Harmful Content button](#)

UK Safer Internet Safety Centre – Report Harmful Content

Support includes:

Escalating content

'We have unique relationships with industry – including direct channels to escalate concerns to social media companies and many others if reports have not been responded to as expected'

Advice on reporting

'We have advice on how to report types of harm across some of the most popular online platforms including social media sites'

Mediatory Support

'We have a team of dedicated practitioners who not only review content but actively communicate with victims, ensuring they are listened to whilst offering guidance and mediatory support where needed.'

The helpline works to remove these eight types of online harm:

- Bullying and Harassment
- Impersonation
- Online Abuse

- Pornography
- Self Harm or Suicide Content
- Threats
- Unwanted Sexual Advances
- Violent Content

See website for more details: saferinternet.org.uk/report-harmful-content



Inclusive Digital Safety hub

Internet Matters and the South West Grid for Learning (SWGfL) have created an advice hub. The hub is a place where parents, carers, and professionals working with children and young people with additional needs, disabilities, or lifestyles that expose them to risk can be equipped and empowered to make meaningful interventions in their digital lives.

'Empowering parents, carers, and professionals with tailored advice and insight to make meaningful interventions in the lives of children and young people most likely to experience online risks, this advice hub is the first of its kind.'

The hub includes advice guides:

- Connecting and Sharing Online: online safety advice for parents and carers supporting children with SEND
- Parent and carers advice guide to help LGBTQ+ young people while gaming

Plus:

- Insight and research factsheets
- A resources centre
- An index of online harms
- A professional's forum

To find out more visit: internetmatters.org/inclusive-digital-safety

SAVE THE DATE



Safer Internet Day 2022

Safer Internet Day 2022 will be celebrated on February 8th with the theme **'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'**.

Schools and organisations are now able to **register as a Safer Internet Day Supporter** to share what they are doing for the day.

Childnet have created a range of resources to help deliver sessions for Safer Internet Day, whether you are a school, nursery, youth group, library, police service, or wider.

Free educational resources and **films** have been specifically designed to support in delivering messages about the theme of respect online.

The Herts for Learning 2022 Wellbeing Conference

Building Futures: Growing pupil empowerment and agency

This cross-phase conference will focus deeply on environments, strategies, approaches and experiences and that will support pupils of all ages to increase their agency in their learning, their confidence in their future and their ability to choose well.

Wednesday 15th June 2022, 9:00am - 3:30pm, online event

Book online via the HfL CPD Hub: course code: **WEL/22/208/A**

Preventing sexual harassment and abuse – systems and curriculum

Tuesday 8th March 2022, 9:30am - 3:30pm, a full-day online course for secondary schools
Fully funded for Hertfordshire maintained schools (£129 =VAT for all others)

Book online via the HfL CPD Hub: course code: **WEL/22/725/S**

New Hate Crime Awareness resources – available this spring for Hertfordshire schools

HfL and the Hertfordshire County Community Safety Unit (CCSU) are building on the fully-funded resource that was released last year as part of Hate Crime Awareness Week.

Hate Crime Awareness Week teacher resource for all Herts schools (5/10/21)

The new resources for KS2, KS3 and KS4 will take the learning deeper and will include a package of lesson plans, teacher resources and materials to support the teaching around Hate Crime. Once again, these resources will be fully funded and only available to Hertfordshire schools.

The information in the newsletter is given to help promote the safety of children and young people online.

Every care has been taken to ensure the information and any recommendations in the newsletter are accurate at the time of publishing. Schools must make their own judgements when sharing our recommendations with parents and carers and, where appropriate, always risk assess with their pupils and whole school community in mind.

This newsletter is brought to you by the Herts for Learning Wellbeing team as part of their online safety support for schools and settings in Hertfordshire. Contact the team at wellbeing@hertsforlearning.co.uk or call **01438 544464**.

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