

Internet Safety and harms suggested lesson

<u>Learning Statement</u> - Why social media, some computer games and online gaming, for example, are age restricted.

Key Questions -

- What risks are associated with using the internet, messaging, apps, social media?
- What steps can you take to ensure you are safe online?
- Who can you report an online concern to?

Lesson and Activity -

- In small groups children to list the positives and negatives of using apps, messaging, social media, etc.
- Do an anonymous class survey to find out what apps/games/social media the children use.
- From the information above, introduce children to the netaware site and look at some of the apps they use.
- Children to give 10 top tips on how to stay safe online.
- Consider that people may behave differently online and may not be who they say they are – how do you know?
- Look at fake news, can children identify what is real and what is fake? Use News wise resources from The Guardian Literacy Project.



Possible resources:

https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/staying-safe-online/

https://literacytrust.org.uk/programmes/news-wise/