



CANNOCK CHASE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

Last week the media reported a number of online challenges aimed specifically at young people. As a school we do a lot of work in PSHE and in general discussions with students about staying safe online, by working with parents it is our intention to educate our young people.

Here are five tips that parents can do to help keep their child safe online or when using mobile phone apps.

- 1) Discuss with your child current online trends and find out what games their friends are playing and their age ratings.
- 2) Hold regular conversations with your child about risks they may be exposed to online and how to deal with them, such as cyber-bullying, peer pressure and grooming. Knowing they can speak to you about this often helps from a child's perspective.
- 3) Check your child's online privacy settings. Make sure they know how to make their profiles 'private' so they are not sharing personal information with strangers.
- 4) Make sure your child knows when and how to report malicious or inappropriate postings/messages on platforms they use.
- 5) Advise your child to be careful giving details of their school, phone number or address to anyone online. Ideally children should not be using their full name on any of their profiles.

We hope that you find this information useful. Further information in relation to online safety can be found on the school's website.

Yours sincerely

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