



INTERNET SAFETY SESSIONS FOR PARENTS

‘Know IT All - for Parents’



Compass Extended Schools have invited **Childnet International** (www.childnet.com) to present a parents' workshop on internet safety. Childnet has worked with government, online industry, adults and children; they are experts in the field of online and mobile safety education. We highly recommend that you attend this seminar. Below is a message from Childnet International highlighting why it is important for you to “Know IT All”.

Childnet’s mission statement is:

“To make the internet a great and safe place for children”

Promoting the positive

- Instant messenger
- Amazing facts and resources
- Online games
- Social Networking spaces
- Create your own website!

Responding to the negative

- Cyberbullying
- Adult content
- Invasive software
- Unwanted contact
- Copyright

Did you know that **one third** of young people who go online at least once a week report having received unwanted sexual (**31%**) or nasty comments (**33%**) via email, chat, instant message or text message? Only **7%** of parents think their child has received such comments.

You can do something to help your children use new technologies safely:

During the presentation we will take you through how young people are **discovering, connecting** and **creating** in new and exciting ways using online and mobile technologies. We will open up the world of social networking spaces (MySpace, Facebook, Bebo etc) and give you an insight into why young people use these spaces. We will highlight potential online risks including cyberbullying and unwanted contact. Parents will view “Let’s Fight It Together”, a film produced with the Department for Children, Schools and Families looking at the consequences of young people misusing technologies and will be given resources to take home in order to further explore the issues and help available online.

The ‘**Know IT All - for Parents**’ seminar will cover some simple practical steps you can take to help limit the risks as well as advice you can give your child. However, really helping your child will mean getting involved in their online activity, learning from your children about a whole new language and way of communicating and then playing your part in being a role model - in supporting them and guiding them in their use.

Two sessions are being offered to all Parents:

6.30pm – 8.30pm

Mon 21st March at Greenway First School, Crossways, Berk, HP4 3NH

or

Tues 3rd May at Ashlyns Upper School, Chesham Rd, Berk HP4 3AH

To book a place on either of these workshops , contact

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