



Online Safety Newsletter: January 2018

Sexting

Sexting is sending explicit pictures by text message, usually via a mobile phone. If a child has shared a nude or sexual image of themselves and it has appeared online, there are ways it can be removed. Visit childline.org.uk/remove and make a request to remove the picture – this service is free and confidential.

If the person is under 18 and an explicit or nude image has been shared online then follow these 3 simple steps:

1. Download Yoti – a secure way to prove identity. Take a selfie and then a photo of your ID, like a passport, to verify it's you.
2. Report: Give details of the nude image and where it could be online
3. Remove: Childline will review the details and the IWF will work to have it removed

#WholsSam – start a conversation

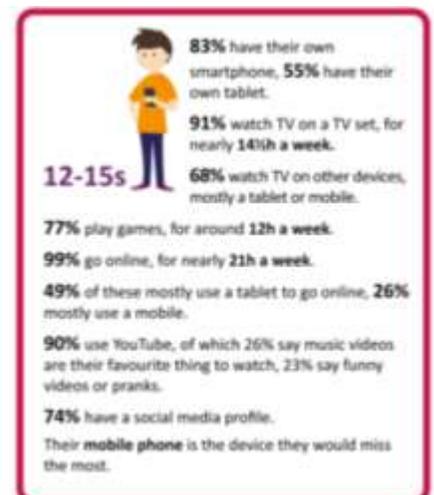


The National Crime Agency (NCA) have conducted an online survey which showed that while the majority of parents speak to their children regularly, **over 30% had not spoken to their children about online safety in the last month.** The NCA have produced a short animation narrated by a fictional character called Sam, an adult who goes online to abuse children, with the hashtag #WholsSam to show how offenders attempt to build relationships with young people online. <https://youtu.be/AOu5BLGNG9c>

Ofcom Report

Ofcom's latest report examines children's media use. It provides detailed evidence on media use, attitudes and understanding among children and young people. The report also includes findings relating to parents' views about their children's media use, and the ways that parents seek – or decide not – to monitor or limit use of different types of media. **More 3-4s, 5-7s and 8-11s are online than in 2016.**

<https://www.ofcom.org.uk/research-and-data/media-literacy-research/childrens/children-parents-2017>



Do you know the online safety lingo?

CEOP - Child Exploitation and Online Protection dedicated to eradicating the sexual abuse of children.

Acronyms

WTTP: Want to trade pictures?

GNOC: Get Naked on Camera