

## Keeping Safe Online While Learning At Home-September 2020

As a school, the safety of our children is paramount, this includes online safety.

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- Any links and videos included in school homework will have been checked by members of staff to ensure they are factual accurate and from a reputable website.
- Sharing links and ideas that don't require children to be online or using technology.
- Most homework is set using our online learning platforms.

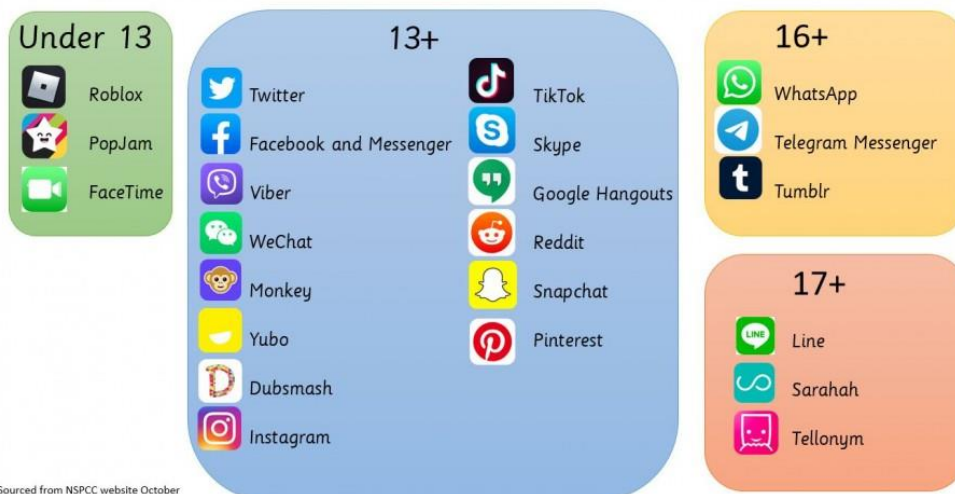
**Some top tips and information:**

- Only let children use the internet where an adult is so you can see what they are accessing, at all times.
- Have time limits and restrictions for the time spent online and on technology (including games consoles)
- Talk to your child about what they are doing online, be interested and keep communicating.
- Be aware of age restrictions on websites and social media.

**No child at St Mary's is old enough for their own social media account, including WhatsApp.**

### Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

What is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps?



Sourced from NSPCC website October 2019

Support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online includes:

- <https://www.internetmatters.org/> - for support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online
- <https://www.net-aware.org.uk/> - for support for parents and careers from the NSPCC



- <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/> - for advice from the National Crime Agency to stay safe online
- <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers> - advice for parents and carers



If you or your child would like to find out more about online safety, or needs to report something, use these links:

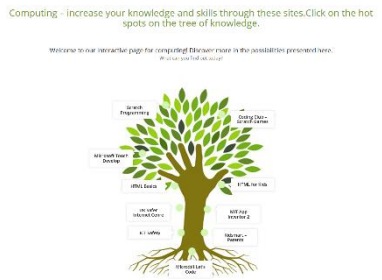
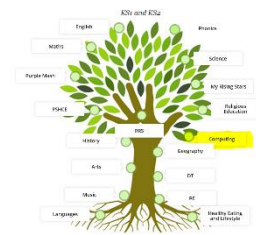
- <https://www.childline.org.uk/> - for support
- <https://reportharmfulcontent.com/> - to report and remove harmful online content



- <https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/> - for advice on making a report about online abuse
- <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/> - for activities, videos and games from the National Crime Agency to stay safe online



- Computing tree on the school website. <http://www.stmarys.slough.sch.uk/computing/>



**Please contact school if you have any concerns or questions.**

