

# eSafety Advice for Parents and Guardians

## What is eSafety ?

eSafety is the safe and responsible use of technology. One of the main applications of technology that young people use today is the Internet. It is easier than ever for us all to access the Internet; young people access it in a variety of different ways, including smart phones, games consoles, PCs and laptops and tablets. The Internet is an undeniably valuable tool that is commonplace in our everyday lives, however it comes with risks. These risks are well publicised and are not exclusive to younger learners.

Staying safe online is an increasingly complex issue, Hereford Sixth Form College is committed to educating and supporting students in eSafety matters. All students follow an eSafety education programme whilst studying with us and have access to a variety of resources, support and advice on eSafety matters.

The information contained within this page is designed to be a point of reference for eSafety resources for parents.

## Reporting eSafety Issues

If you have any concerns about your son/daughter/ward's online safety please contact their Director of Studies or the College's designated Safeguarding lead, Helen Moxley, on the College number 01432 355166.

## Local Police

If you need immediate help, have serious concerns outside of college hours or have an emergency , contact 999 or your local police

- o Hereford Central neighborhood policing team - 01432 346719
- o Find your local policing number through the following web link:  
<http://www.police.uk/>

## CEOP

CEOP are the UK Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre which is part of the UK law enforcement. Online concerns can be reported to CEOP.

## Useful Parent/Guardian Guides

### Childnet

<http://www.childnet.com/resources/know-it-all-for-parents>

- A great interactive presentation produced by Childnet, a charity working with children and young people (3-18) parents, carers, teachers and professionals promoting and educating online safety.

## Facebook

### Facebook Security Guide

- Facebook's latest guide to security settings