

Ridgmont Lower School ~ Safeguarding Newsletter



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The summer holidays are on their way!

However, before they do arrive I am pleased to introduce the first edition of our parent safeguarding newsletter. This newsletter is designed to support you in deepening your understanding of topical safeguarding issues that may affect your child, yourself or members of your community.

Safeguarding is the action we take to promote the welfare of children and protect them from harm.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

At a glance...

The Safer Internet Centre has some excellent advice in their Parents' Guide to Technology. Access it here:

[Parents guide technology Archives - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

As I'm sure you are all aware, most modern games consoles connect online and often have in-built web browsers. Ensuring **appropriate gaming content** is important so check the PEGI-rating for different games, including descriptions such as violence or bad language.

Access the website here:

[Pegi Public Site](#)

Who to contact if you have a concern about a child.

Report any concerns if you suspect a child is being harmed or at risk of being harmed. Please contact the Designated Safeguarding Lead or the Deputy.

If a child is in immediate danger, call the police on 999 immediately.

You can also contact the Integrated Front Door - Children's Services

☎ 0300 300 8585 (Mon-Thurs 0845-1720hrs & Fri 0845-1620hrs)

0300 300 8123 (Out of Hours)

✉ IFD@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk

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What's included?

- *How to keep your child safe online this summer*
- *What parents need to know about horror films and age ratings*
- *What parents need to know about TikTok*
- *What parents need to know about protecting personal data*

Ridgmont's Safeguarding Team

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Allison Jakes
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