



Internet Safety Policy

The Internet is an incredible resource for children to access, support for their homework, chatting to friends etc., but it can also be a very dangerous place for them. They can be exposed to inappropriate material, harassment and bullying, viruses and hackers and be conned into giving away financial information. They can also be vulnerable to on-line grooming by pedophiles.

As child-minders we offer children the opportunity to use the computer and the internet; however we have introduced a range of procedures to ensure their safety.

- We have a filter on my computer that blocks out most inappropriate material
- We do not permit the children to use online chat rooms
- We are always nearby so can keep an eye out on what websites they are visiting
- The websites the children have permission to use are 'coolmaths' and 'cbeebies'

If you would rather your child was not allowed access to the internet then please let us know.

We are also aware of the need to limit the time children spend on computers and have strategies to ensure that they spend a balance of time engaged in ICT and other activities.

We will regularly observe your child and make records, these will enable us to make plans on how we can help your child move onto the next stage of their development.