

Online Safety Information

Online Safety is the term used to describe the actions The Ladies' College takes to ensure your daughter works and acts as safely as possible when using Online Technologies.

At The Ladies' College, we categorise Online Safety under the 4 C's. Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE) categorises online safety risks into four groups:



Content

Students must critically evaluate the content they encounter. We implement filtering and monitoring of student activity when in college. Students are educated on what bias is when looking at news and research material. This is especially important in an age where young people harvest their news away from traditional news outlets and rely more on social media.

Contact

Educating children about the risks of online communication with others whilst online. We hope to foster open conversations about their online interactions and to identify and report any concerning incidents should they occur.

Conduct

Focuses on behaviour online. It is important to guide young people towards respectful and responsible online interactions. Kindness is key to conducting oneself. Online bullying and its effects are covered in this category along with how students portray themselves on social media and other applications.

Commerce

Refers to educating students about financial dangers, such as gambling, phishing, scams and false advertising. Cybersecurity is also covered and all students receive sessions on aspects such as password security.



Online safety is delivered through a combined program of lessons, assignments in ICT, PSHE and Form periods. Whole year group and college assemblies also focus on a variety of subjects and depending on the age of the students.

Online safety is organic and ever-changing; what was a danger five years ago may be less of a threat now. With the rise of Artificial Intelligence, new threats will come to the fore, and parental contact is imperative to maintain our students' safety.



Be *curious* not *furious* about your daughter's online activity and please contact your Year Coordinator should you have any concerns. You or your daughters can also use our Whisper button to report anything anonymously and we promote this service with students across the college.

[Whisper Anonymous Reporting | SWGfL](#)



There are several different organisations that offer more focused and practical support for parents with online safety. Below are some links to some of the ones we recommend.

[Parents and Carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

[Keeping children safe online | NSPCC](#)

[Keep Children Safe Online: Information, advice, support - Internet Matters](#)

[Keeping children safe online | Barnardo's](#)

[National Cybersecurity Centre advice for families](#)