SCOMIS
Your ICT Partner

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Teachers

The Data Protection Act 1998

Are you currently taking risks with the personal data you process in your school/ Multi Academy Trust? Are you compliant with the current regulations?
SWGfL launches 360data an 'Online Data Protection Self Review Tool'.

360data
online data protection self-review tool

Find out how good your data protection policy is with SWGfL's free 30 second quiz: https://360data.org.uk/quickstar
A report is generated on completion of the quiz providing you with an overview of some of the actions you may need to take to improve your organization's data security

Are you sure your school 's ICT network is ready for the summer holiday?

Consider what would happen if the loss of your school's or your organisation's main computer server systems prevented access to data resulting in the unavailability of administration services at the start of the term.

Likely causes:

- Fire (possibly just local to server facilities)
- Flood
- Theft
- Sabotage
- Power failure
- Telecommunication failure
- Software (Virus)
- Key staff (unforeseen) absence

Does your organisation have in place an

ICT Continuity Plan?

What should you consider for inclusion in an

ICT Continuity Plan?

IT servers

Servers associated with System control and facilities

Servers associated with student and staff contact Information (School Management Information System)

Servers associated with School/Organisation finance systems and data

Servers associated with student and staff saved data

Telecoms services

Internet Connection

All telephony

Equipment associated with CCTV

Equipment associated with electronic site security

Have you identified a person or persons responsible for adherence to the organisation's ICT Continuity Plan?
For more information :
http://www.nen.gov.uk/school-e-security-checklist/

National Education Network Provider

SCOMIS is Devon County Council's School ICT Support Services Team

Engaging Parents with Online Safety
Have you found that holding an Online Safety session for parents and carers with a guest speaker has not been very effective in your school?
Looking for ideas on how to engage with parents and carers?
Consider some of these suggestions:
- Run transition events for Y6 to Y7
- Reassure parents that Online Safety is not about technical skills. It is about behaviour!
- Have a resource desk at a parents' evening
- Get the PTA to distribute Online Safety Advice leaflets at fund raising events

For more ideas visit:
http://www.e2bn.org/cms/index.php/e-safety/

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Parents

What is an App?
An App is a small, specialised software programme which can be downloaded to a mobile device to carry out a particular function.

Why are Apps so popular with young people?
Young people love to personalise their own devices by downloading 'apps' which carry out fun and useful functions from looking up the weather forecast, playing games to sharing photos on a social networking site!

Some of the risks
- Ignoring age restrictions
- Sharing personal information/images
- Communicating with people they don't know
- Playing games online with people they don't know

Further information about apps and mobile devices can be found in Childnet's 'Parents' Guide to Technology' http://www.childnet.com/resources/a-parents-guide-to-technology

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Social Media Rules for Teens and Tweens
1. **Always have Privacy Settings switched 'ON'**
2. **Think before you post**
3. **Never post mean messages or embarrassing photos**
4. **Turn off location tracking**
5. **Don't spend all day online**

   @CommonSense

Looking for Online Safety advice for parents, children and young people this summer?

Visit the UK SaferInternet Centre websitefor:

Guides on privacy settings for different sites

Checklists for popular sites such as Instagram

Watch *Smartie the Penguin talk to Red and Murphy* about respecting difference online.

http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/news/staying-safe-online-this-summer

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Stop Press

Pokémon GO
A player's location is tracked, stored and revealed to nearby players, including children and adults. Privacy policy indicates user information—name, email, age and location—is collected.
Age Recommendation 13+

Facebook Messenger
Messenger lets users text, voice-message, send video or photos instantly, or call contacts from their mobile devices. Users can sign up for Messenger without a Facebook account.
Age Recommendation 16+

Reviews from: https://www.commonsensemedia.org

The NSPCC and O2 have joined forces to provide parents with the skills and support to keep children and young people safe online.

How?
Website: https://www.nspcc.org.uk/fighting-for-childhood/about-us/partners/nspcc-o2-online-safety-partnership/

Lots of tips and advice including:

Net Aware - a simple guide for parents to the most popular social networks, apps and games. Learn about the privacy settings and safety guidelines for Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat and more. Read up-to-date reviews from parents and children for each app, game and social network.

Share Aware - help your child to stay safe on social networks, apps and games

Free NetAware App for iPad; iPhone; iPod Touch available on the App Store

Telephone: **0808 8005002**

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