

Safeguarding Awareness Week.

19 – 25 May 2025

Bilton School is taking part in the Tes annual global Safeguarding Awareness Week. Held in May its dedicated to highlighting the importance of safeguarding in schools. It equips schools with information, guidance and support to help make classrooms and schools as safe as possible. Since its launch in 2021 Bilton has taken part in the event bringing the subject to life with displays and educational sessions. This year's theme is Empowering and protecting students in a digital world. The aim is to equip students with the confidence, tools and skills to navigate the digital world safely.



Research shows that.....



43% of Children

Feel pressured to keep up with social media trends and features.



48% of Children

Believe changing technology makes it harder to control their online privacy.



75% of Children

Say technology and internet are key to their independence.



60% of children

Who have used Gen AI believe it has safety risks



2 in 3

children report experiencing online harms

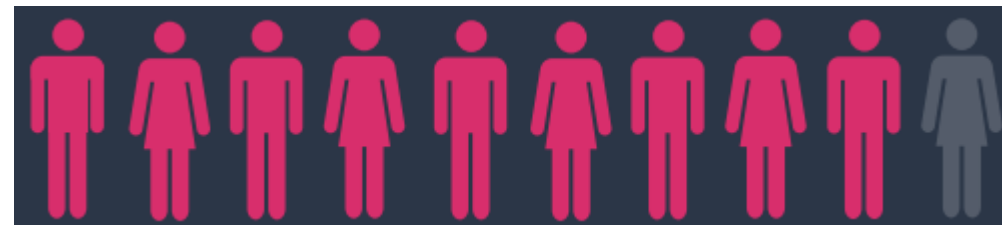


Nearly ½ of 15-16 year-old girls

Have been contacted by strangers online

89% increase

In online grooming crimes against children in the last 6 years



Keep your child safe online#



[Thinkuknow](#) by the National Crime Agency - Child Exploitation and Online Protection command (NCA-CEOP) - resources for parents and carers and children of all ages to help keep children safe online



[Childnet](#) has developed [guidance for parents and carers](#) to begin a conversation about online safety, as well as [guidance on keeping under-fives safe online](#)



National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC) - [guidance for parents and carers](#) to help keep children safe online



[UK Safer Internet Centre](#) - tips and advice for parents and carers to keep children safe online - you can also [report any harmful content found online through the UK Safer Internet Centre](#)



[Inclusive Digital Safety Hub](#) and [Online Safety Hub](#), created by South West Grid for Learning in partnership with Internet Matters - support and tailored advice for young people with additional learning needs and their parents or carers








[Parents' Guide to Age Ratings](#) explains how the British Board of Film Classification rates content, and gives parents advice on choosing online content well



The Children's Commissioner has published [advice for parents on talking to your child about online sexual harassment](#) specifically, based on input from children themselves

Top tips for 11 – 19 Year olds

-  **Protect your online reputation** Use the services provided to manage your digital footprints and ‘think before you post.’ Content posted online can last forever and could be shared publicly by anyone.
-  **Know where to find help** Understand how to report to service providers and use blocking and deleting tools. If something happens that upsets you online, it’s never too late to tell someone
-  **Don’t give in to pressure** Keep calm and keep in control; once you’ve pressed send you can’t take it back.
-  **Respect the law** Use reliable services and know how to legally access the music, film and TV you want.
-  **Acknowledge your sources** Use trustworthy content and remember to give credit when using others’ work/ideas.

[Resources for 11-19s - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)