Be Safer Online

Play your part for a better Internet

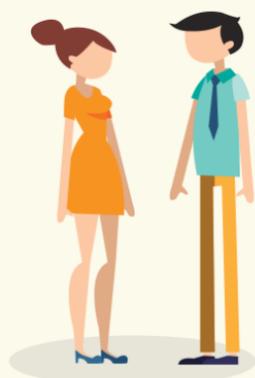## Safer Internet Day 9 February 2016

Tips to help kids be safer online

Inform yourself

Inform yourself about the potential risks of using the Internet and the tools and resources that are available to help make the Internet safer for your family.

Be open

Encourage your child to talk to you if they feel uncomfortable with an online interaction.

Educate your child

Educate your child about using the Internet safely. Teach your child to think before they post. Information posted on the Internet can never be deleted.

Posting photos

Teach your child to be careful of the photos they post online -- you do not know who is looking at the photos or how they are being used once they are out of your control.

Cyber-bullying

Teach your child about cyber-bullying, how to report it if they are being bullied online, and the consequences of bullying others online.

Sharing personal info

Advise your child to avoid sharing personal information online, including information about life events and their feelings.

Checking-in

Explain to your child the risks of checking-in or posting their location on social networks and sharing their routine with others. Consider disabling photo geo-tagging on your child's phone.

Privacy settings

Encourage your child to set passwords to restrict access to their social networking sites and other accounts. Remind them that their passwords should not be shared with anyone.

Online friends

Know who your child is talking to online. Explain the possible consequences and risks of meeting an "online friend" in person. Remind your child that they don't always know who is on the other side of the keyboard or webcam.

Monitoring network of friends

Teach your child the importance of not accepting unknown people into their social networks and of blocking those who make them uncomfortable for any reason.

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