

# Online Safety Newsletter

## February 2022 – Parents



**100% TOTAL**  
to Certified Status

**School updates** - We have recently achieved the National Online Safety Certified School Status. ☺ Which means all stakeholders are engaging with the National Online Safety platform. To access all the online safety resources please sign up (using the link below) or download the free National Online Safety app.

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/two-rivers-high-school>

This year we have introduced a new and improved online safety curriculum, and as part of our commitment to Online Safety we have signed up to take part in the Safer Internet Day 2022. The theme this year is "All Fun and Games? Exploring Respect and Online Relationships."



### Things we want parents and carers to be aware of:

**60% 11 – 13 report to have seen pornography**, most of these people say they have viewed this unintentionally. Viewing pornography gives young people unhealthy views on sexual relationships and consent, putting them at risk from predators and possibly stopping them from reporting abuse in the future. If you are concerned, you can access free short webinars and one page wake-up Wednesday guides on 'How to Manage Children's Exposure' and 'The Impact of Age-Inappropriate Content', these are available now on the National Online Safety site.

Estyn report Dec 21, states that young people feel **pressured regularly for nude photos**. Girls in particular, say that this happens outside of school, particularly online. This is usually from boys in the same year/ school, but young people also report **receiving pressure from strangers via apps such as Instagram, Kik, Tumblr, Messenger, Vero (NEW), snap chat, we chat, tiktok**.



A young girl asked Alexa to 'challenge her' having seen a '**challenge**' on tiktok. Alexa asked her to touch a live plug with a coin. Thankfully the girl did not do this, and Amazon has since reviewed its content. Challenges have been around for a long time we suggest you talk to young people and make them aware of the dangers.

Facebook, messenger, Instagram and WhatsApp have **users targeted in phishing scheme**. Lots of websites have fake log in pages to access usernames and passwords. Please be mindful and do not enter your details if the website doesn't seem right.

If you have any concerns you can speak to Derek (Designated Safeguard Lead) or Mrs. Dryhurst (Online Safety Lead) for further support and guidance.