

### Welcome to the UKSIC Insider

Hello and welcome to the UK Safer Internet Centre Insider. Every month we bring you the latest stories and updates from the three partners in the UKSIC: Childnet International, The IWF (Internet Watch Foundation), and SWGfL (South West Grid for Learning).



Safer Internet Day bigger than ever!

For Safer Internet Day, over 3,400 organisations across the UK delivered activities for the day, including schools, police forces, government, companies, football clubs, charities and others. Safer Internet Day was also profiled on national TV and radio, from the BBC and ITV to the Evening Standard and Metro.

It was inspiring to see the impact of Safer Internet Day on social media. On Twitter we saw the #SaferInternetDay hashtag trending at number one in the UK throughout the day, accompanied by the hashtag emoji. It was amazing to see the huge number of schools and organisations who tweeted about the day as well! Find out more about what happened here:

#### **Find out more**



Childnet film competition officially launched

Your school or college can build on the online safety knowledge gained from Safer Internet Day by entering the Childnet Film Competition 2022!

The competition is open to all UK based young people aged 7-18.

Schools and youth groups are invited to create a two-minute film, or storyboard, in response to the competition theme: <u>All fun and games? Exploring</u> respect and relationships online.

The challenge is to create a film that promotes positive use of the internet which can help other young people stay safe online.

Entrants can win some fantastic prizes for their school or youth group, including a DSLR camera and filmmaking equipment.

#### Find out more



Instagram - Addressing harmful online content and screen time

Instagram recently announced two new features that work towards addressing screen time and harmful content online. This includes the 'Take a Break' feature as well as how harmful online content is presented towards users.

The 'Take a Break' feature works towards helping users with managing their screen time. It aims to set some restrictions around how long they use social media for while Instagram will also show potentially harmful posts lower on a user's newsfeed, inhibiting their exposure to posts that incite violence or include bullying or hate speech.

#### **Find out more**



Youth Advisory Board opportunity for your pupils

Know young people who are passionate about making the internet a better place? Who want to speak about online issues affecting young people? Applications for our Youth Advisory Board are now open!

Childnet are looking for young people aged 13-16 to join our new Youth Advisory Board.

This group of 10 young people will have the exciting opportunity to help shape and directly influence Childnet's resources, messaging, and future campaigns, including planning for Safer Internet Day.

If you have pupils who are active online and passionate about making the internet a safer and more positive environment for everyone, this could be the perfect opportunity for them and your school.

#### **Find out more**



## Watch Liverpool FC virtual event if you missed it

Liverpool FC once again supported Safer Internet Day this year by hosting an online virtual event with professionals from the UK Safer Internet Centre on 8th February.

We invited primary and secondary students to join us on the UKSIC YouTube Channel for an afternoon of online safety with the Liverpool football team talking about the theme of 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online.' If you missed the event, don't worry, you can watch it all here:

#### Watch the event



# A day in the life of the IWF's child abuse image taskforce

The Internet Watch Foundation write about the day in the life of the IWF taskforce where they work to remove child sexual abuse imagery. Find out how the taskforce works and read accounts from members of the team.

#### **Find out more**







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