Focus on...

Potential risks in using technology with early years children

The online world

The online world offers amazing opportunities for children but also brings elements of potential risk too. The digital environment is an integral part of children's lives and when considering their general wellbeing and safety we need to also factor in their relationship with technology too.

The Children's Safeguarding Assurance Partnership section 'Online' provides useful information, advice, guidance, and resources to support the children's workforce, parents and carers to help children and young people stay safe online.

Children's Safeguarding Assurance Partnership - Safeguarding information, advice & guidance (safeguardingpartnership.org.uk)

Friendly sites for younger children

Swiggle Child friendly search engine which only brings up age appropriate sites
Overview - Swiggle.org.uk

#Goldilocks: A fairy tale for the digital age
A modern twist on the classic fairy tale to discuss all things social media in a fun way
Goldilocks: A fairytale for the digital age | Vodafone

Jessie and friends Interactive website encouraging 4-7s to engage safely online
4-7s | CEOP Education (thinkuknow.co.uk)

Information to support Practitioners and Parents

Professionals Online Safety Helpline For anyone working with children and young people
Professionals Online Safety Helpline - UK Safer Internet Centre

Safeguarding Children and Protecting Professionals in Early Years Settings
UKCIS_Early_Years_Online_Safety_Considerations_for_Managers.pdf (publishing.service.gov.uk)
UKCIS_Early_Years_Online_Safety_Guidance_for_Practitioners__1_.pdf (publishing.service.gov.uk)

Internet Matters Digital Toolkit A useful toolkit to support families with online safety
My Family's Digital Toolkit - tailored online safety advice | Internet Matters
Setting up parental controls Parental Controls & Privacy Settings Guides | Internet Matters

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