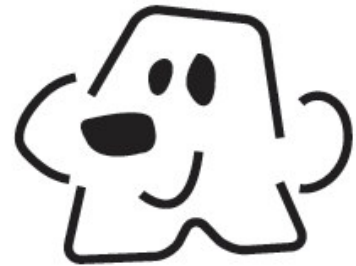


GIGGLEIT PROJECT



Internet Safety

1. Why isn't the Internet safe?

The public domain Internet is a global system of computer networks that allows us to publish information and communicate with others around the world. It is completely open to everyone. Just as there are good and bad people in society, so there are good and bad people who are on the Internet.

2. What do I have to do?

Just as you take simple steps to keep safe in your local neighbourhood, so you need to take some simple precautions when using the Internet.

- Step 1:** Use a nickname or only use your initials or first name when talking with people you don't know on the Internet.
- Step 2:** Don't publish your personal details on the Internet on either a web site or a Web 2.0 site such as a blog or FaceBook.
- Step 3:** Don't publish your photograph on the Internet either.
- Step 4:** Don't agree to meet anyone who contacts you on the Internet unless you already know them.
- Step 5:** Always ask the question – Do I really know this person? Are they really who they say they are? If in doubt, then take the safety steps above.

3. How will safety work for the GiggleIT Project?

When you join the GiggleIT Project, your work will be published on the public Internet for the whole world to read. While your school and class level will be published, your name will not appear, only your initials and age. Of course you and all your classmates will know that it is your work.

No photographs of students or teachers will be used at any time.

4. What about when I'm working on the computer at school? Is this safe?

Most schools use an **Intranet**. This is a closed computer network that is not available to the general public. Usually, you have to put in a password to gain access to this type of network.

While everyone in your school community can see the contents of the network, strangers from outside cannot get access to it.