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Dear Parents and Carers

As we all rely more heavily on keeping in touch and conducting our daily lives online, our children's safety online is paramount. In school, this is an integral part of their education in today's digital world and is embedded in their leaning. We also want to help you, as parents and carers, to improve your own understanding of online issues in what is a very rapidly changing environment!

The online world poses an ever-increasing risk to children, and it is important that we work with parents and carers together, to take an active role in teaching our children about online dangers. Learning how to act safely when using the internet is an incredibly important part of safeguarding our children.

We are therefore delighted to inform you that The Mountbatten School is committed to protecting our students online by working with National Online Safety who provide resources for all parents and carers.

The resources include short, accessible Parents and Carers courses and videos that can be taken at your own convenience. They cover:

- Online Relationships
- Fake Profiles & Social Bots
- Online Bullying
- Online Grooming
- Child Sexual Exploitation
- Sexual Harassment & Violence
- Sexting
- Live Streaming
- Online Identity
- Screen Addiction
- Online Challenges
- Overspending

- Online Gambling
- Radicalisation, Terrorism & Extremism
- Age-inappropriate Content
- Copyright & Ownership
- Hacking
- Fake News
- Online Fraud
- Online Reputation
- Personal Data
- Pornography
- Targeted Adverts & Pop-Ups
- The Dark Web

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https://nationalcollege.com/enrol/the-mountbatten-school

complete your details and select "I am a Parent/Carer" as your account type.

Once you have registered, you will be able to access the **Online Safety for Parents and Carers**' course and National Online Safety resources. These include a wide range of online platform guides covering the latest social media channels and **games**. National Online Safety release a brand-new weekly guide and aim to **cover all major social media platforms**, **apps** and **issues** that your children encounter online. This aims to help empower parents with the knowledge to protect their children from the dangers of the internet. Answers to frequently asked questions and customer service can be accessed at https://helpdesk.thenationalcollege.co.uk/helpcentre

Yours sincerely

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