Thank you for continuing to support us in our efforts to make your children's experiences online safer and more enjoyable! We continue to remind our children that if they do see something they don't like online they should **stop, get out (leave the computer) and tell a grown-up.** 

We hope you enjoyed our Safer Internet Day videos. Remember you can find them on our Facebook page or at our website—

http://www.southstanley-inf.durham.sch.uk/

Should you have any questions, please speak to Mrs Bosworth (online safety co-ordinator)

Thank you!



## Staying Safe Online

Let talk about... YouTube

Please have a read of this useful information about using YouTube safely with your children. The most effective way of keeping children safe online is by working together. We would love to hear any of your tips or info about how you use YouTube with your children.



## <u>YouTube</u>

We know that lots of adults and children alike enjoy using YouTube to watch videos, listen to songs and learn about new things. However, not everything on YouTube is suitable for our children and sometimes these videos can appear on our devices without children searching for or choosing them. We've come up with some tips and info about keeping our children safe on YouTube so it can be used in a safer and more enjoyable way. We hope you find it useful!

## **Surfing Together**

We know that time is short, but sharing videos with your child will give you an idea of what they are seeing online and the kinds of videos that are being suggested to them. In school, we talk about using the internet with our grown-ups so they can stop content straight away if its worries us. This is ultimately the safest way to search the net, but we understand that children will become more independent online as they get older and we want to equip them with the tools to stay safe online.



## Did you know there is a YouTube kids app and website?

YouTube have created a more family friendly version of it's video sharing platform which you can download as an app or visit online. It asks a parent to set up some basic parental safety controls before your child starts exploring and uses filters, feedback and parent review tools to make it a safer online experience. It also gives you the option to create an account so that you can access more safety features and create separate accounts for children of different ages. You can even block channels, hand select videos and set time limits should you like to.

The YouTube Kids app is free and can be downloaded at the apple app store or google play store. The icon should look like this:



It can also be accessed online at https://www.youtubekids.com/