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Dear Parents / Carers

As the world becomes more and more connected through technology, children are exposed to a wider degree of risks.

At Trafalgar, we want to do everything we can to ensure the safety of the children and the wider community. As you know, a growing responsibility in this area is Online Safety. We have rigorous systems within school to protect children from these threats but would like to offer help to parents outside of school to ensure children are safe at home too.

Although children are regularly taught about the dangers of speaking to strangers on social media, in reality, these lessons can be ignored as they seek to make friends in the online space.

There are many recommendations, settings and products that you can apply within the home or on specific devices to protect your children. A good start is to look over the [UK Safer Internet Centre](http://www.saferinternet.org.uk) website. However, above all of these ideas is the importance of education and dialogue with your child. An open and honest approach is by far the best to take to encourage children to share any fears, contacts they have made and incidents of bullying online.

If you or your child are worried or upset about someone acting inappropriately towards them online asking them to get involved in sexual or offensive chat, or someone trying to meet up with them, you can report it directly to CEOP. CEOP stands for Child Exploitation & Online Protection. The report abuse button looks like this (see left) and the website is



<https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/>

Kind regards

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