

# E-Safety

Teaching young people to recognise  
the risks.

# Ofsted and E-Safety

- From September 2009, a new judgement on “the effectiveness of safeguarding procedures”.
- Judgements in this area will involve an evaluation of E-Safety policies including those relating to cyber bullying; use of personal communications devices in schools; staff use of ICT for learning; responsible use of ICT both in school and beyond.

# What we should be aware of.

- Having in our possession, digital images of students.
- Using a school connection to make purchases.
- Accessing Internet banking facilities.
- Social Networking .
- Use of mobile phones.
- Taking data out of school – e.g. pen drives
- Being a target.

# Technology - The risks to young people

- On-line grooming.
- Cyber bullying via social network sites.
- In 2009, a survey of 15 000 young people revealed that cyber bullying is the most common form of child abuse in 14 – 16 year olds.
- Mobile phone details passed to others and then used to send inappropriate messages.

# Prevention?

- Technology can help, but no software package can eliminate every problem. Vigilance!
- Being aware of the sites students are visiting during your lesson.
- Checking out web sites before suggesting that students visit them for research etc.
- Wearing of ID badges. Challenging those without a badge.

# And finally ...

- “The benefits of technology far outweigh the risks involved”. School E-Safety Self Review Framework 2009
- “The Internet and mobile ‘phones have such positive power to transform children’s lives for the better”. Childnet International

