

Dear Headteacher and Chair of Governors,

I am writing to ask for your help in protecting children from abuse and to highlight Thinkuknow, a free and award winning education programme.

Thinkuknow is led by NCA-CEOP at the National Crime Agency. NCA-CEOP works to keep children safe from sexual abuse and exploitation, both online and off. The Thinkuknow education programme provides:

- Free education resources, including films, cartoons and lesson plans, designed for schools and community groups to use with children and young people from age four upwards and their parents and carers. You can set up a free Thinkuknow account and download all resources at <a href="http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/professionals">www.thinkuknow.co.uk/professionals</a>.
- Training for teachers and other professionals:
  - A one-day 'CEOP Ambassador' course providing detailed training and information about online safety, child sexual abuse and exploitation and using education to keep children safe. It also enables delegates to deliver Thinkuknow materials to fellow professionals – as well as the whole school community.
  - **Keeping Children Safe Online** (KCSO) is an e-learning course developed in partnership with the NSPCC.

See <u>www.thinkuknow.co.uk/professionals/training</u> for more information.

- A website with honest, realistic and practical advice for children and young people on all aspects of their online lives, presented in age-appropriate and engaging ways. There is also a section for parents and carers, providing detailed advice on how to keep children safe, together with advice about what to do if you have concerns and where to go for further support. See <a href="http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk">www.thinkuknow.co.uk</a>
- In partnership with Parent Zone, CEOP have created Parent Info, a **free newsfeed service for school websites**, which offers articles by leading experts on every aspect of children and young people's lives. Any school can sign up and take a few simple steps to integrate Parent Info into their own website at <u>www.parentinfo.org</u>.

I hope you will use these resources to help support conversations to promote online safety within our school community. If you would like more information please do not hesitate to contact the CEOP education team at <a href="mailto:ceopeducation@nca.gov.uk">ceopeducation@nca.gov.uk</a>.

Yours sincerely,