Top Tips to give your children:

➢ **Always ask a grown up before you go online**

➢ **Ask a grown up to check out any new websites you want to play on.**

➢ **Don't tell strangers where you live, or where you go to Preschool. Only your friends and family need to know that.**

➢ **Don't send pictures to people you don't know.**

➢ **Tell a grown up if you feel scared or unhappy about something.**

➢ **Tell a grown up if you see a picture that you don't like or that upsets you.**

Helpful websites:

The **Click CEOP** button allows you and your children to report anything unpleasant online.

ThinkuKnow is a website full of child friendly tips and advice.

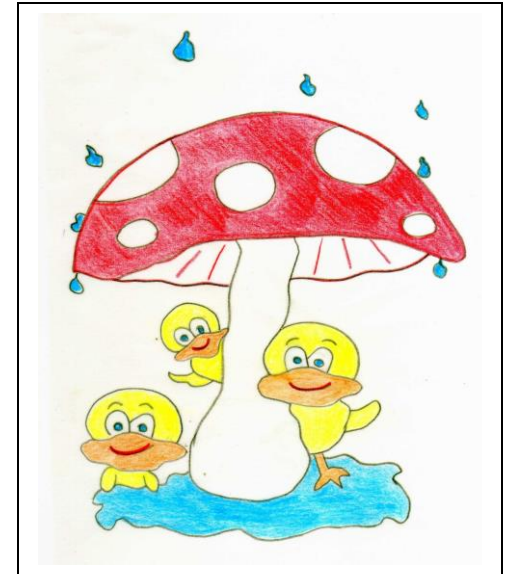**Childline** is a free contact line for children.

They also have clear guidance for parents.

ChildLine 0800 1111

If you have any further questions, or want to see our policies, please talk to us at Nursery.

You can email us at:

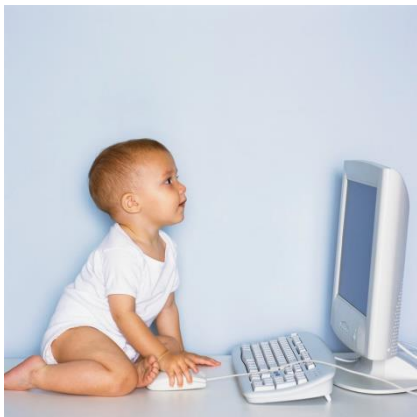## *Staying safe online*

A guide for parents and carers

How often do your children use the internet or digital technology?

Research shows that 72 % of Early Years children use the internet for an average of half an hour a day. It also shows that we are not always sure how to keep them safe.

Our children are growing up with technology from their earliest days and we all have a role to play in keeping them safe online.

So how can we do that?

In Somewhere Nursery we have an "Acceptable Use Policy"

This ensures that everyone; staff, committee and volunteers, are clear about how to use our computers, laptops and the internet in a safe way.

We have password protection, anti-virus software and firewalls. These all help to keep out malicious attacks and keep data safe and secure.

We also have rules about the use of mobile phones and cameras. This is why you are asked not to use your phone in Nursery.

We are committed to keeping all our children safe and value your support with this policy.

You can also help your children learn to be safe at home and when they are online – even from a very young age. Talk to them about some top tips for keeping safe, just like we teach them to cross the road safely, or be careful around animals and people that they don't know.