



Gooseberry Alert 01

Know your Digital Climate

Welcome to your first weekly 'Gooseberry Alert'. As one of our valued Gooseberry Schools we are delighted to be able to offer you a free weekly alert to help you **keep Online Safety at the forefront, helping safeguard your whole school community.**

Please feel free to **share the 'Gooseberry Planet Tip/Thoughts of the Week' on your school website and in your weekly student, staff and parent bulletins.**

We will provide you with weekly top tips for your students, staff and parents that promote positive online behaviours and that reflect current issues.

Gooseberry Planet Student Tip of the Week

If you have seen something that has upset or worried you online, **ALWAYS** tell a trusted adult who can help you report it and talk to you about it.



Gooseberry Planet Staff Tip of the Week



Do you know the digital climate in your classroom? Get some quick feedback about the most common apps that children are using.

Ask about Facebook, Snapchat, musical.ly, Pokemon, and Roblox. Share with colleagues to build up a picture of what your students are doing online.

Gooseberry Planet Parent Tip of the Week

Please take care when downloading apps for your children. Age 'restrictions' are there for a reason.

Still not sure? To help you decide, download the app yourself and see what goes on online.





Alert of the week – Online Bullying over Snapchat with the letter ‘X’

We have been contacted this week by several schools who are dealing with issues relating to online bullying over SnapChat outside of school.

Snapchatters send the letter ‘X’ to a Snapchat friend who then sends back the name of the ‘victim’. Other friends then compete online to share insults to see who can be the unkindest about the person who has been chosen, with upsetting and harmful consequences.

Gooseberry Planet support you in reminding your students and parents that this not a game is unacceptable, dangerous and online bullying behaviour. Users of the app should be 13+.

We advise that the Snapchat app be removed from devices of children who are under the recommended age.

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Log on to the Gooseberry Teacher Resource area for our latest Parent Handout on Roblox – offering useful information about the app and practical hints and tips for parents and children.