TOP TIPS FOR STAYING SAFE ONLINE

With the holidays coming up, loads of you will be spending more time online, connecting with friends and family, and maybe even getting some new technology! While it's awesome to stay connected and have fun online, it's important to remember that what you post online can last forever. That's your **digital footprint** – a record of everything you do and share online.

Lock it Down! 🔐

Make sure your social media accounts (Instagram, TikTok, Snapchat, etc.) are set to private. This means only people you approve can see your posts and information.

Use a mix of letters, numbers, and symbols for strong passwords. Don't share them with anyone, not even your best friends!

Think Before You Post! 🤔

If you wouldn't say something to someone's face, don't post it online.

Be mindful of how your words might be interpreted.

Always be kind and respectful to others online. Cyberbullying is never okay.

Respect Others privacy

Ask permission: Before sharing photos or videos of others, always ask their permission.

Be aware of strangers

Never share your full name, address, phone number, or school with people you don't know online.

Only accept friend requests from people you know in real life.

Remember, your digital footprint matters! By being mindful of what you post and share, you can create a positive online presence and stay safe.