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## Online Safety – What is Expected of All Schools

### Quick Guidance Tool for Schools (**Whole School Approach**)

**Online Safety Audit** – Virtual or Face to Face, this allows the school to ascertain what they need to do

**Online Safety Policy** – A Standalone Online Safety Policy is now required, it should be updated annually and published.

**Filtering & Monitoring** – Robust School Internet access must be filtered and monitored using effective free or paid for systems.

**Themed Days** – School participation in Safer Internet Day, Anti Bullying Week, Mental Health Week, Universal Children's Day etc is essential for discussion

**Online Safety Officer & Online Safety Governor** – Most large school (student numbers >200) should consider an OSL to work with DSL, and Online Safety Governor should be created to assist school legal expectations and online issues

**Online Safety Workshops** – All school must ensure that Online Safety Workshops are provided for Students, Staff, Parents & Governors / Executives

**Online Safety AUP's** – Schools must create Acceptable Use Policies – Students – Parents – Staff – Bring Your Own Device – Visitors/Parents to ensure correct & appropriate use of School Internet

### Five Points to Assist

- **Expertise** Schools should receive Training & Guidance from Qualified, Experienced & skilled consultants (CHECK)
- **Reporting** – Ensure a robust reporting process that is effective and of value
- **Councils / Committees** – Schools should create student / teacher & governor committees.
- **Website** – School should publish their Whole School Approach to Online Safety
- **Curriculum** School can attach Online Safety to the Curriculum- However if school employs all the tools this shouldn't be necessary