

## **Keeping Safe – E-Safety**

Children at East Cowton CE (VC) Primary School receive age appropriate E-safety education as part of their PSHCE and ICT lessons.

At school children know that they only use the internet when they are supervised and only search for information on topics which are part of the lesson.

However, due to the rise in internet access from mobile devices: phones, gaming machines and tablets; children are accessing the internet more than ever and need to know how to keep themselves safe online.

Interestingly, research has shown that pupils were more vulnerable when using the internet when their schools had a total “locked down system” (children only use set websites). This is because they do not learn about the risks and how to keep themselves safe. \*Ofsted 2013

Having looked at resources on the internet which teach children about E-safety we thought that websites such as the CBBC Information were informative yet fun.

They cover topics such as:

- Sharing personal information
- Posting photographs
- Online friends
- Social networking sites

You may wish to look at this information with your child; it can be found at:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/topics/stay-safe>