

# Safeguarding Newsletter

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## WELCOME

to the first issue of Tapton School's Safeguarding Newsletter.

My aim is bring you the latest information about current issues that affect our ability to safeguard the Tapton School Community.

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## CYBERCRIME STRATEGIES

Sky News recently reported on 15 ways that you could become a victim of cybercrime.

The report, the fifth annual Internet Organised Crime Threat Assessment (IOCTA), was presented at the Interpol cybercrime conference in Singapore.

The SkyNews report is here: <https://news.sky.com/story/eu-ropol-warns-of-15-ways-you-could-become-a-cyber-crime-victim-11501321>

The threat assessment can be found here: [www.europol.europa.eu/inter-net-organised-crime-threat-assessment-2018](http://www.europol.europa.eu/inter-net-organised-crime-threat-assessment-2018)

## COUNTY LINES

Recent publications by the Home Office and National Crime Agency (NCA) have focused attention on the issue of children and young people, typically from urban areas, who are being groomed and exploited by gangs or criminal networks to move cash and Class A drugs between towns and cities across the UK. [Home office guidance](#)

Crimestoppers have launched a campaign to highlight how criminals are inflicting pain and suffering on vulnerable people.

[Read more ...](#)

## FGM and PREVENT

### Free online learning

Following on from our CSE presentation you can find some free online learning about FGM and the Prevent Duty here

FGM:  
[www.fgmelearning.co.uk/](http://www.fgmelearning.co.uk/)

Prevent:  
[www.elearning.prevent.homeoffice.gov.uk/edu/screen1.html](http://www.elearning.prevent.homeoffice.gov.uk/edu/screen1.html) (NB This link does not work on a phone)

## LIVESTREAMING APPS: WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Live streaming is a popular feature of lots of apps and platforms (such as website or app). By understanding the risks of live streaming you can help your child to stay safe when they are online.

Live streaming is a live visual broadcast over the internet. To be able to live stream all you need is an internet-enabled device, like a smart phone or tablet, and a platform to broadcast on. At the click of a button, you can be streaming to hundreds, or thousands, of viewers.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/live-streaming-responding-to-the-risks/>

With the popularity of live streaming ever increasing and with children and adults both taking part, it is important as a parent or carer to understand what risks children and young people may face when live streaming and the practical steps that you can take to make your child's online experience safer.

Channel 4 News recently conducted an 8-day investigation into popular live streaming apps such as Musical.ly and Live.ly. During the 8 days, there were more than 25 sexual references to body parts. On 50 occasions, children were asked to show or remove their clothing and there were 30 occasions where children received sexual questions or requests, some of which were extremely explicit and directed to girls as young as nine.

On the Tapton website you can find a link to a [Live Streaming Guide for Parents](#) from the IWF (Internet Watch Foundation)

You'll also find a guide to popular social media apps

<http://www.taptonschool.co.uk/page/?title=E+Safety&pid=135>

## LIVE STREAMING APPS: THE STATISTICS

The IWF recently revealed shocking statistics on children being groomed on live streaming apps following a 3-month investigation.

The research, Online Child Sexual Exploitation:

Examining the Distribution of Captures of Live-streamed Child Sexual Abuse (PDF

719KB) was conducted over a three-month period and identified 2,082 images and videos of live-streamed child sexual abuse. It revealed that 98% of images found were of children aged 13 and under, 28% were aged 10 or under, while the youngest victim was just three-years-old.

- 96% of victims were girls
- 96% showed a child on their own, in a home environment
- 18% of the abuse was categorised as Category A, which includes the rape and sexual torture of children
- 40% of the abuse was categorised as Category A or B, which indicates serious sexual abuse
- 100% of images had been harvested from their original upload locations.

<https://www.iwf.org.uk/news/iwf-research-on-child-sex-abuse-live-streaming-reveals->