

ONLINE SAFETY PARENT WORKSHOPS



AGE RESTRICTIONS – WHAT DO THEY MEAN?

School	Date	Time
Prince Albert	Monday 20 th November	3:00 - 3:30pm
Highfield	Tuesday 21 st November	3:00 - 3:30pm
Heathfield	Wednesday 22 nd November	2:45 - 3:15pm



ONLINE SAFETY PARENT WORKSHOP

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PURPOSE OF TODAY'S WORKSHOP



- To make you aware of the age ratings on games & DVDs
- To help you to understand the importance of the age ratings.

WHY ARE WE DISCUSSING AGE RATINGS?



- We have had many concerns from teachers and school staff regarding children talking about games they are playing at home.
- Children are claiming to be playing games that have violent, sexual and drug related content.
- You may not even be aware of the content of the games.

GAME RATINGS



AGE 3 RATING



- Suitable for ages 3 and above
- Children should not be able to associate with the characters on the screen – they should be totally fantasy.
- No sound or images that might scare the child.
- No bad language.



AGE 7 RATING



- **May contain some frightening scenes.**
- **Sound may be more realistic.**
E.g. gun fire or vehicles.



AGE 12 RATING



- **May contain violence**
- **Contain human looking characters**
- **Slight nudity.**
- **Mild bad language**



AGE 16 RATING



- Contains violence.
- May contain sexual activity or references
- Real life looking graphics
- Drugs and tobacco products may feature
- Contains bad language
- Criminal activities may be featured.











AGE 18 RATING




- Strong violence
- Sexual Content throughout
- Drugs & tobacco feature heavily
- Graphic scenes of fighting / nudity / violence
- Strong language

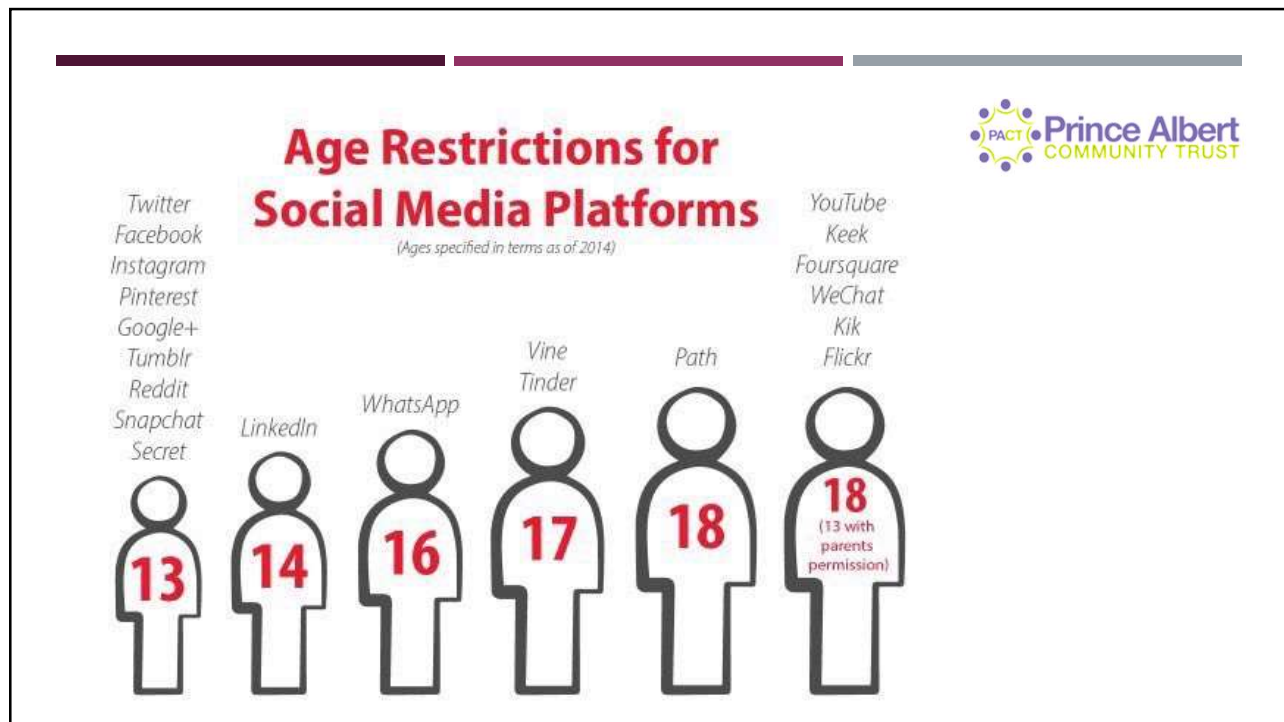





-  **Bad Language**
Game contains bad language
-  **Discrimination**
Game contains depictions of, or material which may encourage, discrimination
-  **Drugs**
Game refers to or depicts the use of drugs
-  **Fear**
Game may be frightening or scary for young children
-  **Gambling**
Games that encourage or teach gambling
-  **Sex**
Game depicts nudity and/or sexual behaviour or sexual references
-  **Violence**
Game contains depictions of violence
-  **Online gameplay**
Game can be played online



These symbols
will appear along
side the age
rating to warn
you of extreme
issues.



 Prince Albert
COMMUNITY TRUST

SO WHY DO WE CARE?

- Letting your child play these games is a **Child Protection Issue**.
- The Police consider it to be **neglect**.
- Children should **NOT** be exposed to age restricted material that is above their age.
- It can affect the behaviour of the child.
- It exposes them to material that is not appropriate for their stage in life.
 - Gambling
 - Violence & Gang culture
 - Drugs
 - Sexual material
 - Bad language
 - Crime

SEARCHING SAFELY...



- www.kiddle.co – a website run by google for children
- Or turn on Safe Search on google.

Google search results for "prince albert school". The search bar shows "prince albert school" and the Google logo. Below the search bar are tabs for "All", "Maps", "Images", "News", "Shopping", and "More". The search results show "About 10,300,000 results (0.72 seconds)". The first result is "Prince Albert School: Welcome to Prince Albert Primary School" with the URL "www.princealbert.bham.sch.uk/". Below the result is a "Contact Us" link and a "Latest News" link. A settings menu is open on the right, showing options like "Search settings", "Languages", "Turn off SafeSearch", "Hide private results", "Advanced search", "History", and "Search help".

CLASH OF CLANS - GAME



- Clash of clans is a game available on iPad, mobile phone

Mother

"I experienced swearing in comments on the clan message board - started as an innocent chat and then the other user asked to be promoted. We kicked him out of our clan, we then were able to report him." - Mother of boys aged 9 and 14

Father

"I have seen bullying comments posted in the Chat section. On each occasion I reported them. I have no idea what was then done as a consequence." - Father of 8yr old boy

Father

"Sometimes the universal and local message boards can contain overly violent messaging between or broadcast by individual members." - Father of 9yr old boy

- There are in App purchases that range from £0.99 to £99