

Educate, empower & protect the entire school community.

Dear Staff,

In these unprecedented times, we know everyone is spending more time online at home, including the children and young people in our care. The Internet provides many benefits in keeping us all connected; however, for our children and young people especially, this can present more significant risks and pathways to harm.

As professionals within education, it's important for you to understand what children are doing online, so you can help make them safer. To provide you with the information, knowledge and training you need to make children safer in the online world, we have partnered with the Department of Education Northern Ireland (DENI).

We are delighted to invite you download the DENI Safer Schools App using the instructions on the following page.



About the App

The App is designed to provide you, your pupils and their parents/carers with a platform to learn more about Digital Safety. All of the information is differentiated for each role, and will help to educate, empower and protect them in the online world. Through this App you will also receive relevant and critical updates from the Department and from Safer Schools which will keep you up to date with emerging trends, risks and threats in the digital world.

You can also complete CPD accredited Professional Development courses through the App on topics such as Safeguarding Level 1, Appropriate Use of Social Media, Mental Health Awareness, Youth Produced Imagery and more. Contact Safer Schools for the pin to complete your Digital Test!

Don't forget to check out our [free Teach Hub](#); classroom-based resources created by teachers for teachers at www.oursaferschools.co.uk/teachhub (contact us for your school licence number)



Make sure to enable push notifications to keep up to date with our tips, advice and guidance on how to make your pupils safer.

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Download and Login Instructions

STEP 1

Search 'Safer Schools' and download the App.



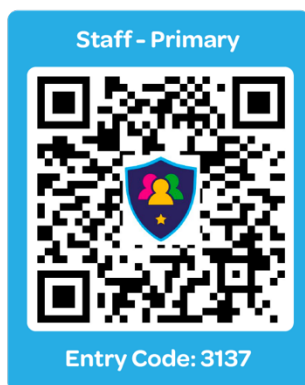
STEP 2

When you open the Safer Schools App, you will be presented with the login screen. Here you will see your two options for accessing the App - numeric or QR.

1) Scan the QR Code

First, tap the "Scan QR Code" button (...or just Scan QR on Android...).

Hold your device so the QR code appears in your camera view (you may need to give permission for the App to use the camera). When it scans the code, you will be logged in!



2) Using the Numeric Code

First, start to type the name 'Department of Education NI' in the "Select your school" section. Then, Select Department of Education NI from the dropdown list and click 'continue'.

Next, simply enter the 4-digit access entry code for your role within the school (parent/carers, staff or pupil).

