



## MAYFIELD PREPARATORY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As the Christmas season is nearly upon us and we anticipate many of you may be purchasing new devices which may have internet access, we thought it was an appropriate time to send out a few safe usage reminders.

We would like to draw your attention to the following guidance for keeping your children safe online:

- **Please do not use your child's Mayfield email address to register personal devices or for websites or apps.** This is due to the protection of not just your child, but other children, parents, teachers and staff. If a child's account gets accessed, it could potentially lead to your data being leaked to the public and put you and your child's data and protection at risk. If you realise that you or your child have used their Mayfield email address in this way, then you must remove or change it immediately. If you have any concerns, get your device checked as soon as possible by IT professionals, e.g. at Currys.
- **Please keep your devices updated:** most frequent updates for phones and computers are to provide added security and provide protection against vulnerabilities found in the system. These updates can be annoying or come at the wrong time, but it is vital that you stay on top of them.

For more information, you can visit National Cyber Security Centre [National Cyber Security Centre - NCSC.GOV.UK](https://www.ncsc.gov.uk) for more information and support.

Best wishes

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