



Beechcroft Infants School

Online Safety Newsletter

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This month the newsletter features:

ROBLOX

A parent's ultimate guide to Roblox and how to keep your child safe whilst using it.

This guidance is taken from 'Common Sense Media'

<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/articles/parents-ultimate-guide-to-roblox>



What is Roblox?

Roblox is an online gaming platform where you can play games designed by other users and create and share your own games. Once you sign up, you can play an infinite number of games and chat with other users—all for free. You can choose from a continually evolving supply of creative and fun challenges in various categories.

Some of the most popular games include Adopt Me!, MeepCity, and Work at a Pizza Place.

What age is Roblox for?

Users of any age can create and join groups, chat, and interact with others. Such an open approach can pose some risks to kids, especially younger ones. And though Roblox has some safety precautions in place, it remains a target for people with less-than-good intentions.

Therefore it is advised that only players over the age of 13 can join the Roblox community.

Help your kids protect themselves by enabling privacy settings and teaching them how to be safe online.

Communicate with care. Use the right language for your audience. You might write or speak differently to a teacher, compared with a friend.

Keep private things private. Don't share private information, including passwords, your home address, date of birth, your location, or photos.

Respect others and avoid drama. Be courteous and practice disagreeing politely. Try not to interact with trolls or share gossip.

Report misbehaviour. The internet is a giant community, and you can help it be a nicer place.

Follow your family's rules. If your parent or caregiver tells you to avoid certain websites do your best to respect their wishes.