

The Australian Communications and Media Authority (the ACMA) offers a comprehensive range of information and resources about cybersafety designed to meet the needs of teachers, parents, children and library staff. The ACMA's cybersafety resources are provided free of charge in Australia and are made available as part of the Australian Government's commitment to online safety.

## Teaching resources

### Hector's World

For all primary

Hector's World™ is an innovative online safety resource for young children featuring Hector Protector®, a bottlenose dolphin. It's accompanied by online puzzles, downloadable storybooks, activities and lesson plans aimed at three age levels—5 to 11 years.



### CyberQuoll

For upper primary

CyberQuoll provides upper primary school students with a fun, cartoon-style multimedia experience with episodes covering the basics of internet use and how to keep safe online. Cyberquoll includes a range of teacher and parent materials such as a Teacher Guide student worksheets, activities, certificates and contracts.

[www.cybersmart.gov.au/cyberquoll](http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/cyberquoll)



## CYBERNETRIX

### CyberNetrix

For lower secondary

CyberNetrix includes interactive activities for teens and is designed to simulate popular online activities such as instant messaging. CyberNetrix aims to highlight risks online and offer advice on how to avoid them. Teacher Guides with activity guidelines and student handouts are included with this resource.

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### Let's Fight It Together

For lower secondary

Let's Fight It Together is a comprehensive teaching resource that provides practical advice through a short film, supporting teaching materials and links to online activities. Let's Fight It Together highlights how technology can be misused, leading to cyberbullying, as well as providing guidance about how to promote and develop a culture of confident technology users.

[www.cybersmart.gov.au/schools.aspx](http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/schools.aspx)

### Wise up to IT

For mid to late secondary

Wise up to IT covers cyberbullying, online stalking, internet security and grooming in four videos which depict young people's experiences online. The videos encourage students to think about who they are really chatting to online, what personal information they are posting and whether or not their computer is protected from scams and spyware. Wise up to IT is supported by teacher and student resources and is available both as a DVD and online.

[www.cybersmart.gov.au/wiseuptoit](http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/wiseuptoit)

### Interactive Shared Learning activities

There are two unique Interactive Shared Learning activities that are provided free of charge to Australian primary schools. These can be used stand-alone or as complementary modules. Used as a series, they foster deeper understanding about internet safety.

#### Cybersmart Detectives

Cybersmart Detectives is designed for students aged 10 to 12 years. In this activity, students learn about online safety and grooming, and the risks involved in posting personal information online.

#### Cybersmart Hero

Cybersmart Hero is designed for students aged 11 to 13 years. In this activity, students learn how to deal with cyberbullying and where they can get help.



[www.cybersmart.gov.au/isl.aspx](http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/isl.aspx)

## Materials for library staff

### Cybersmart resources for libraries

The ACMA has produced a range of resources for library staff which were developed in conjunction with the Australian Library and Information Association. They include a Cybersmart Guide for Library Staff, a library specific 'cyber rules' poster and four online safety information videos.

[www.cybersmart.gov.au/libraries.aspx](http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/libraries.aspx)

### Cybersmart website

The Cybersmart website provides cybersafety education and awareness for children, young people, parents, teachers and libraries. The website features news and practical information, videos and activities, teacher resources including links to comprehensive training.

[www.cybersmart.gov.au](http://www.cybersmart.gov.au)

# Outreach

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## Interactive resource and brochures for parents

An interactive video resource and suite of six brochures on current cybersafety issues are available to help parents discuss the issues with their children and provide steps for safe online behaviour. The interactive resource and brochures cover topics including cyberbullying, sexting, dealing with offensive content, mobile phone safety, socialising on the internet and a general guide to online safety. The Cybersmart brochures are available in English, Chinese, Arabic, Italian, Greek and Vietnamese. The Cybersmart Guide for Families also guide offers practical information about children's internet use and advice for parents and carers about online safety.

[www.cybersmart.gov.au/Parents.aspx](http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/Parents.aspx)

## Cybersmart posters

Three posters help educate children and young people about cybersafety issues. These include:

- **Cyber rules poster** A colourful hints and tips poster for children aged 7 and up this reminds young internet users to think carefully about what they post and who they communicate with.
- **Think before you post poster** This simple poster encourages children and teens to think prior to posting any content or images online.
- **It's more than a game poster** Aimed at children and early teens, this poster looks at some of the dangers of social networking and some of the ways to enjoy a positive online experience.



## Connect.ed

**Connect.ed** is an innovative, self-paced online cybersafety education program that offers teachers the knowledge, confidence and resources to help students stay safe online. **Connect.ed** is designed for all primary and secondary school teachers and support staff throughout Australia.

Learning activities include issue-based simulations that replicate a student's experience in social networking sites, video interviews with experts in the field including Dr Anthony Kidman and Professor Donna Cross and attitudinal surveys and interactive case studies that prompt teacher self-reflection.

All teachers completing the PD or **Connect.ed** are able to access Cybersmart's free teaching resources including lesson plans, case studies and sample policies.

## Professional Development for Educators

The ACMA's **Cybersmart Outreach**—Professional Development for Educators workshops provide teachers with a comprehensive overview of internet safety. The sessions cover topics including how children use technology, digital literacy, cyberbullying, identity protection and school/teacher legal obligations to minimise and address risks. The interactive workshops are free and include resources, case studies, policies and lesson plans.

## Internet safety awareness presentations

The ACMA also offers free general internet safety presentations for parents, teachers and students. These easy-to-understand, thorough and informative presentations cover issues including how children use the internet, emerging technologies, potential risks such as cyberbullying, identity theft and inappropriate content. The sessions provide valuable tips to help children stay safe online.

## Pre-Service Teacher training

The Pre-Service Teacher training program is designed to ensure student teachers in their final year at university are equipped to deal with cybersafety issues when they begin teaching.

This program is based on the PD workshop and is presented as a 50 minute lecture followed by a 90 minute tutorial. It provides up-to-date knowledge, skills and resources on topics including cyberbullying, communicating safely and ethically, safe social networking, exposure to inappropriate content and e-security.

[www.cybersmart.gov.au](http://www.cybersmart.gov.au)

The **Cybersmart Outreach** brochure provides additional information about the range of workshops and presentations available for teachers, parents and students.

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