



## Parents' Survey – Online Safety



### What online risks for your children worry you most?



Cyberbullying  
**64%**



My child may stumble across inappropriate material (ie pornography)  
**63%**



My children speaking to strangers who may be trying to groom them (paedophiles)  
**58%**



Social Media and the mental health implications for my children  
**52%**



Amount of screentime my child has  
**37%**

Would you be confident dealing with an online safety issue facing your child?

**70%**  
Confident



**30%**  
Not confident



Do you think online safety should be a part of the curriculum in schools?

**97%** believe online safety should be taught in schools



If yes, at what age should children learn about online safety?

**Over 50%** said this learning should start in Junior Infants

“ I may be confident however many may not be. More media campaigns, education in schools for parents is needed.  
— Parent ”

What could Government do to help children stay safe online?



**85%**  
compulsory classes on online safety



**49%**  
parental controls



**40%**  
appointment of an Online Safety Commissioner

## Boundaries/rules on online safety

Do you have parental controls in place for your children?



**35%**  
on home wifi



**35%**  
parental control software/ app on child's phone



**30%**  
agreement with child to look at phone once a week

Are you a strong role model for your children in terms of mobile usage?



**28%**  
do not consider themselves strong role models when it comes to phone usage and using it the right amount



**31%**  
neither agreed nor disagreed



**41%**  
agreed

## Digital learning during lockdown



Are the internet and technology helping you and your household during the Covid-19 Crisis?

**85%** of parents say technology helped them.



Do you think distance learning is an effective way of teaching your children?

only **23%** of parents think digital learning is good

“ It's a yes and no answer to this. It's very good but can't replace the social interaction of a teacher and classmates together. Some things are lost through e-learning & frustration can obstruct the lesson. ”  
— Parent