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VCC/SSG/VCM/E-Safety Parental Locking

Dear Parents and Carers

After taking part in E-Safety day on the 16th June many of the children told us that they play games online with players they do not know, as well as playing with friends. I would like to let you know about some of the ways to check your parental locking options on various consoles.

Nintendo Switch

Open the homepage and click the News option. Available here is a video called "Parental control video" which shows you how to set your Switch in the best way for your family. If you cannot find it, here is a YouTube link https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=03bAayBtcb0

The Switch also has a free accompanying App called "Nintendo Switch Parental Control." This App allows you to set time restrictions as a one off, time restrictions per day, suspend software, summary of your child's play over a month, age restrictions and restrictions on who your child can talk to.

Nintendo Wii

- 1. Go to the homepage
- 2. Wii options
- 3. Wii settings
- 4. Scroll right to Parental Controls
- 5. Create a PIN
- 6. Re-enter the pin
- 7. Set questions in case you forget your PIN

alternatively go to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bnt608b3lMc where you can find a step by step guide if that would be easier to follow.

Nintendo 3DS

- 1. Open the homepage
- 2. Scroll to System settings
- 3. Parental controls
- 4. Click set
- 5. Choose a 4 digit PIN
- 6. Select a secrecy question and answer in case you forget the PIN.
- 7. Then you may choose which software (games) your child has access too.

alternatively go to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bMz6u2uqq7c where you can find a step by step guide if that would be easier to follow.

PlayStation 4

PlayStation is a lot simpler. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8EU_-PHs5Lw

- 1) Go to your Settings
- 2) Select Parent Controls here you can choose what your child accesses. You can also set up a specific child account.

PSP

- 1. Go to settings
- 2. Security settings
- 3. Enter your 4 digit password if you have not done this so far, it will be 0000
- 4. If you've not changed your password, change it now.
- 5. You'll be brought back to settings menu
- 6. Choose parental control level
- 7. Enter your password
- 8. Set the levels you think are appropriate for your child.
- 9. Select internet browser start control
- 10. Here you can also set a password for your child to access the internet.

alternatively go to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gn3QuDbAK5A where you can find a step by step guide if that would be easier to follow.

X-Box

X-Box also has the option for parent controls.

- 1) Get to your home screen
- 2) Click the menu button on your controller
- 3) Scroll down to settings.
- 4) Click Privacy and Online settings.
- 5) Click custom
- 6) Choose which options you want: content accessible, time limits and whether or not you want voice controls.
- 7) You can also set these settings for Movies, TVs and Music.

If you cannot find it – here is a YouTube link - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pPu3pLU2sn0

Phones – Phones can also have parental controls, go to your App store and download a free Net Nanny App.

I hope you have found this information useful.

Yours sincerely

Miss McCrann