**Sites - General Information and Help**

* Google Online Safety -  <http://www.google.com/goodtoknow/online-safety/>
* Australian Government - <http://www.netalert.gov.au/home.html>
* NZ NetSafe - <http://www.netsafe.org.nz/keeping_safe.php?sectionID=parents>
* Childnet International - <http://www.childnet-int.org/>
* ThinkuKnow - <http://www.thinkuknow.com/>
* Scams Little Black Book - <http://www.scamwatch.gov.au/content/index.phtml/itemId/726050>

**Cyber Safety Sites for Children and Parents**

* Parents - <http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/en/Parents.aspx>
* Hectors World -<http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/Young%20Kids/Hectors%20World.aspx> (A site for young children to explore online safety.)
* CyberQuoll -<http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/Kids/Fun%20things%20to%20do/Cyberquoll.aspx> (This site is for primary aged students.)
* CyberNetrix - <http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/cybernetrix/index.html> (A site for teenagers to learn how to be smart online.)
* Super Clubs Plus - <http://www.superclubsplus.com.au/> (An environment for students to learn about online social networks)

**Passwords**

* How Secure is My Password - <https://howsecureismypassword.net/>
* Set and use strong Passwords - <http://www.staysmartonline.gov.au/home_users/secure_your_computer/set_and_use_strong_passwords>
* Secure your Passwords - <https://www.google.com/goodtoknow/online-safety/passwords/>

**CyberBullying**

* Facts about Cyberbullying - <http://www.familysafecomputers.org/bullying.htm>
* Tips on how to respond - Parents - <http://www.adl.org/education/cyberbullying/tips.asp#family>
* What is CYBERBULLYING? - <http://www.stopcyberbullying.org/what_is_cyberbullying_exactly.html>
* Types of Cyberbullies - <http://www.stopcyberbullying.org/educators/howdoyouhandleacyberbully.html>
* Quick Guide to Responding - Parents - <http://www.stopcyberbullying.org/parents/guide.html>
* Texting Glossary features thousands of relevant and up to date terms.  - <http://www.dtxtrapp.com/glossary.htm>

**Family Safety resources**

* Google Family Safety - <http://www.google.com.au/familysafety/>
* FaceBoook Family Safety - <https://www.facebook.com/safety>
* Scams and Tricks via FaceBook - what to avoid - <http://facecrooks.com/>
* Online Privacy - <http://www.microsoft.com/security/online-privacy/reputation.aspx#findout>
* Google Jargon Busters - <http://www.google.com/goodtoknow/jargon/#cookie>
* Australian Government - Easy guide - <http://www.dbcde.gov.au/easyguide/social_networking>
* Google Privacy Tools - <http://www.google.com/intl/en/privacy/tools.html>
* Chat Acronyms - <http://www.netlingo.com/acronyms.php>
* Digital Reputation Management: Remove content from the web: <http://www.google.com/support/webmasters/bin/answer.py?answer=164734>
* Surf Safely with Browsers
* The Facts about Search Engines - <http://www.familysafecomputers.org/searchengines.htm>
* Google Safe Browsing - <http://www.google.com/tools/firefox/safebrowsing/>
* Parental Control Toolbar: Free Filtering Tool - <http://www.parentalcontrolbar.org/>
* How to use Parental Controls on IE Explorer - <http://www.ehow.com/how_2033277_use-parental-controls.html>
* KID-FRIENDLY SITES - <http://www.bewebaware.ca/english/KidFriendlySearchEngines.aspx>
* Web Surfing Tips - <http://www.commonsense.com/internet-safety-guide/web-surfing.php>
* Safety First - Internet Explorer @ How Stuff Works - <http://computer.howstuffworks.com/internet-explorer-82.htm>
* Internet Explorer vs. Firefox: Which is Safer? - <http://itmanagement.earthweb.com/secu/article.php/3698606>
* Safe Surfing Tips for Teens - <http://kidshealth.org/teen/safety/safebasics/internet_safety.html>
* Google Safe Search - <http://www.google.com/safesearch_help.html>

**Social Media**

* Parenting with the Digital Generation (Article) -<http://mashable.com/2010/05/13/parenting-social-media/>

**Videos**

The following sites have a range of video content that you may be interested in watching and even later watching with your child/ren if you deem it appropriate:

* Common Sense Media Advice Videos - <http://www.commonsensemedia.org/video/advice>
* PBS - Growing up online - <http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/kidsonline/>
* Cyber Bullying - a view of this issue from the student view - great for children to watch - <http://www.digizen.org/cyberbullying/fullFilm.aspx>
* Exposed - a view of the issue of sexting and its consequences. - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ovR3FF_6us>
* ThinkUKnow - make sure you know who you are talking too. - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nDBDUX7KPT0&feature=fvwrel>
* Megan's Story - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DwKgg35YbC4&feature=relmfu>

**TalhotBlond**

ABC aired an interesting documentary called "Talhotblond " around an online chatting event that will make you think about the conversations we need to have with our children, even other adults about chatting and communicating online.

The website for the documentary can be found here:http://[www.talhotblond.com/](http://www.talhotblond.com/)

\* Please note this documentary contains adult content and language and is not suitable for children.

Another video worth checking out is CatFish - <http://www.iamrogue.com/catfish>

**Online Books**

Kids and Video Games

<http://www.videogamesandkids.com/index.html>

**Student Links**

20 Things I Learned Online

<http://www.20thingsilearned.com/en-US>

**Password Bird**

[http://www.passwordbird.com](http://www.passwordbird.com/)

**Protecting your PC**

Lastly the following are the products I spoke about in regards to having on your computer to avoid viruses. All these products are free and do a very good job when used together, if you have Norton or McAfee or any other commercial product - please do not download the first product called AVG - as this performs the same task.

AVG - this program runs as a virus protection option and will scan email and software loaded onto your computer.

Product Information:: <http://free.grisoft.com/>

Download software:: <http://free.grisoft.com/ww.download?prd=afe>

Spybot - this program checks and removes any malicious software from your browsers, it also helps to scan common locations on your computer for items that should not be there.

Product Information:: <http://www.safer-networking.org/en/index.html>

Download software:: <http://www.safer-networking.org/en/mirrors/index.html>

AdAware - this program also checks your internet browser for malicious software.

Product Information:: <http://www.lavasoftusa.com/>

Download software:: <http://www.download.com/Ad-Aware-2007/3000-8022_4-10045910.html?part=dl-ad-aware&subj=dl&tag=top5&cdlPid=10837062>

Windows Defender

Site:http://[www.microsoft.com/windows/products/winfamily/defender/default.mspx](http://www.microsoft.com/windows/products/winfamily/defender/default.mspx)

Microsoft recently released this free tool that will do many of the functions the programs above provide - this tool is highly recommended. However please note that you must have a valid copy of windows to install this application.

The key with these tools is that you need to scan your computer based on your usage - if the internet is used a lot then scan with Spybot and AdAware every fortnight - if the internet is only used a low or moderate amount then scan once a month. if you are every concerned with anything on the computer then run a scan just to be sure. These products are designed to simply help eliminate viruses and unwanted software on your computer.

One other tool to have a look at is Norton Online Family: <http://onlinefamilyinfo.norton.com/> - more information on this product can be found here: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/OnlineFamily.Norton>

Or check out the K9 Web Protection tool: http://[www1.k9webprotection.com/](http://www1.k9webprotection.com/)