



Darell Primary School

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Send It

Sendit is an add on app to Snapchat and it allows users to play games together. Sendit state on their website that the app is not intended for children under the age of 13.

The games include Q&A games including ask me anything. A user asks a question and players can respond anonymously As with any anonymous element, there is an increased risk of cyberbullying.

The app does contain in app purchases ranging from £0.99 to £29 There is also a weekly subscription service available, which provides users with enhanced features. It costs £8.49 per week. Ensure payment details are not stored/accessible on your child's device to avoid unexpected bills.

If you know that your child d is using this app then you can contact Sendit to ask them to disable their account.

Further information

<https://www.getsendit.com/parents>

TikTok Update

You must be over 13 years of age to use TikTok.

60-minute screen time notification
TikTok are introducing a 60-minute screentime notification for teen accounts (accounts with users under 18 years of age). When the time limit is reached, the user will be a sked to enter their passcode to continue watching.

Family Pairing: new features

This allows you to link your own account to your child's account. TikTok have now added three new features:

Custom daily screen time limits: this option includes choosing different time limits depending on the day of the week as well.



Screen time dashboard: this provides a summary of time spent on the app, the number of times TikTok was opened and a breakdown of total time spent during the day and night.

Mute notifications: this setting will enable you to mute notifications atset times. Accounts aged 13 15 already do not receive push notifications from 9pm and for accounts aged 16 17, notifications are disabled from 10pm.

You can find out more here:

<https://newsroom.tiktok.com/en-gb>

Being Unkind Online

It can be very easy online for children to behave in a way that they wouldn't if they were face to face with each other.

Talk to your child about how they speak to others online and encourage them to talk to people online with respect and kindness, like they would if they were face-to-face. How they act online should be how they behave on the school playground when they are following school rules. Here are some examples of what being unkind looks like online:

- Sending nasty or hurtful messages
- Leaving unkind comments
- Excluding somebody on purpose
- Telling/sharing lies

The above might happen whilst your child is gaming online or whilst using social media or messaging apps e.g. WhatsApp.



Top Internet Manners

Internet Matters have produced a list of 'manners' that we all should follow to create a safer and kinder online world:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/top-internet-manners/>

Anime TV

Anime refers to animations originating from Japan

. Due to its cartoon style, your child might inadvertently watch it when it isn't appropriate for their age. Some Anime contains adult themes. It is important to

check age ratings so a starting point could be Common Sense Media. They have created a list of some Anime TV with reviews/age ratings:

<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/lists/anime-tv-for-teens-and-tweens>



When Should a child get their own phone?

If you are thinking about giving your child their own phone, then you might find the latest article from the Education Team at Childnet useful:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/blog/experts-answer-when-should-my-child-get-their-first-phone>