



Working to Protect Children

When children get into trouble online

Support and resources for parents, carers and professionals

Information from The Lucy Faithfull Foundation

The internet plays a positive role in many aspects of young people's lives, but it can also be used for inappropriate, risk-taking or illegal sexual behaviour. It can also be difficult for parents, carers, and professionals to know how to respond and support a child.

You can talk to us.

The **Lucy Faithfull Foundation** is the only UK-wide charity dedicated solely to preventing child sexual abuse. We have extensive experience of providing assessments, intervention and training services within child protection and criminal justice systems, as well as running public education and awareness activities. We prevent sexual abuse by working with those perpetrating it, those affected by it and with protective adults to keep children safe.

Stop It Now! helpline - 0808 1000 900

We run the confidential and anonymous **Stop It Now! helpline**, which provides advice and support to anyone concerned about child sexual abuse, online or offline.

We know how hard it is for parents, carers and professionals when a child gets into trouble online, either through inappropriate or illegal behaviour. We talk to many families on our helpline who are in this very situation.

stopitnow.org.uk/

A guide for parents of children and young people who have got in trouble online

Our guide for parents of children and young people who have got into trouble online is design to answer some of the questions they may have after learning that something is happening, or has happened, in their child's online life.

This could be that they've been viewing adult pornography, or have an unhealthy interest in accessing adult material. It could be that the child has sent a naked picture of themselves to someone else or posted it online and is struggling with the consequences, or it could be that the child has been arrested by the police for viewing sexual images of people under 18.

parentsprotect.co.uk/if-your-child-get-into-trouble-online.htm

Support when a child has got into trouble

Our **Inform Young People's Programme** is a face-to-face educational programme for young people in trouble with the police, their school or college for inappropriate use of technology, as well as their families. Our specialist staff devise a programme of work that is tailored to the needs of the young person and their family and delivered by an experienced practitioner.

lucyfaithfull.org.uk/inform-young-people-for-young-people-who-have-got-in-trouble-online.htm

Parents Protect!

Parents Protect! is our online resource for parents, carers and others who want to do all they can to protect children from sexual harm.

It has a range of information and resources including our family safety plan.

parentsprotect.co.uk/resources.htm

