



PRESS RELEASE

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The Village Primary School recognised for its commitment to helping pupils stay safe online

**The Village Primary School *is now a*
*National Online Safety Certified School***

[The Village Primary School](#) has successfully completed, for the fourth year running, a comprehensive online safety training programme demonstrating its commitment to keeping children and young people safe online.

[The Village Primary School](#) – has received a National Online Safety Certified School Accreditation for its whole school community approach to protecting children in the online world.

National Online Safety is a multi-award winning digital training provider with extensive resources in online safety, developed in line with the Department of Education's statutory requirements.

Its CPD accredited courses and educational resources support UK schools in educating the whole school community in online safety– including all senior leaders, teachers, all school staff and parents – on how to make the internet a safer place for children.

James Southworth, co-founder of National Online Safety, said: "Congratulations to everyone at [The Village Primary School](#) on becoming a National Online Safety Certified School. By completing our training programme, the school has shown its strong commitment to implementing an effective whole school approach to online safety."

"It can be increasingly difficult for schools and parents to stay ahead of online threats and ensure both children and staff are safeguarded from potentially harmful and inappropriate online material. We arm schools with the knowledge they need to understand online dangers and react in the best way possible to any problems."

[Emma Gunn, E-safety and Computing Lead at The Village Primary School](#) said: "In this technological age where computers are an integral aspect of our modern lives our main aim is to ensure that children are safe users of technology. At Village Primary we want to raise safe and healthy children who are mindful, active producers of technology not mindless consumers. Children need to know how to navigate the online world safely, maturely and sensitively; ensuring they use their critical, 'computational thinking' skills when presented with a range of views and information that will enable them to participate effectively and safely in a digital world, taking part in NOS ensures that staff, parents and other stake holders are up to date with current knowledge and policies."

Any schools that would like to discuss their online safety provision or would like access to up to date online safety learning resources, are encouraged to contact National Online Safety on 0800 368 8061.