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Nga mihi ki a koutou nga koeke, matua, whanau, me nga tamariki toa o **Te Kura o Pukeroa Oruawhata - Rotorua Primary School** me te tangi hoki ki a ratou kua riro atu.

Keeping on line safe - Keeping our TAONGA safe

Given that your child/ren learning is now being provided online please discuss internet safety with your child/ren. You should agree with your child/ren what they can do online including sites they can visit and appropriate behaviours including:

- reviewing and approving games and apps before they are downloaded
- reviewing privacy settings of sites and applications
- checking children's profiles and what they are posting online
- check the sites your child is accessing
- reminding children that anything that is posted online will be permanently on the internet
- taking the time to understand what sites they are visiting and who they are talking with and check in regularly
- some social media sites have age restrictions to join, check these before letting your child use them or join them
- monitoring a child's use of the internet and consider having them use it in an open, common area of the house
- making sure your children know to report any activity they don't feel comfortable with to parents and caregivers straight away.

Netsafe

- [Netsafe](https://www.netsafe.org.nz/) continues to be available to provide you and your parent and caregiver community with support for online safety. They have [information for parents and caregivers](#) and have pulled together their [top tips for online safety during the lockdown](#). To report an incident To Netsafe - <https://www.netsafe.org.nz/reportanincident/>

- If you think a child in your care is the victim of online exploitation or abuse, report it to Police - if you or a child are in danger or a crime is being committed, call 111 or visit [your nearest Police Station](#) immediately.

If we all work together to make sure children are safe online, we can make the internet a great tool for people of all ages.

**Kia Kaha Whanau,
Nga Mihi**

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