

Requirements for Cub Scouts

In order to achieve the award a Cub Scout will need to complete the following;

- Watch 'Jigsaw' the Cub Scout 'ThinkUKnow' Internet Safety presentation and take part in the 'Who Wants To Be An Internet Safety Millionaire' quiz

AND ONE OF THE FOLLOWING

- Create a poster showing their 'Online Safety Pledge ' that can be uploaded onto the Scouts Wales website
- Take an active part in **three** of the following activities: 'Responsible Use of the Internet'/'Chatting with Care'/'Using text and picture messaging'/'Social networking'/'Behaving responsibly'

AND

- Demonstrate their knowledge of how to report concerns on line

Leader's notes:

If you would prefer to have help delivering this badge, contact your Safeguarding Awareness Co-ordinator who will be happy to help.

Before running this award you should send out the parent's letter beforehand.

We accept that the internet can be a wonderful resource for young people. They can use it for homework, communicating with their friends and playing games, but what this access does is pose risks. For example, a 9-year-old might do an online search for 'Lego' , but with just one missed keystroke, the word 'legs' is entered instead, and the child may be directed to numerous websites with a focus on legs – some of which may contain pornographic material. As adults it is important to be aware of what young people see and hear on the internet, who they meet and what they share about themselves online. The aim of this badge is to help Cub Scouts understand that the internet is a great place but also empower them to use it with caution.

The resources included in this badge come directly from CEOP (Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre) 'ThinkUKnow' programme. They have been designed for use in schools, but as you will see, they are easily adapted for use with your Cub Pack.

'Jigsaw' –

Before introducing the film, it is always good practice to issue a health warning first. e.g
“If you feel uncomfortable about the film and want to talk to someone, that is OK, just get up from where you are sitting and go to a leader”

This film is an excellent 'ThinkUKnow' resource that informs youngsters of the risks of posting identifiable information on the internet. All the 'ThinkUKnow' films were shown to Young People's Forums before being released and although they are hard hitting, each film received a 'thumbs up' from each appropriate age group.

After watching the film the Cubs may appear quiet and thoughtful about what they have just seen. This is a normal reaction and at this point you could ask how everyone is feeling and ask some questions i.e. What could Beccy have done differently, and what did she do when she wanted to report Simon?

Then, to lighten the atmosphere, play the quiz.

'Who Wants To Be An Internet Safety Millionaire' Quiz –Using the power-point template, based on the television show, this is a fun way for the Cubs to show what they have learnt.

Resources needed for the film and the quiz.

- Projector
- Screen
- Laptop
- Speakers

Online Safety Pledge poster

Safety pledges help promote safety discussions and create safer boundaries and by designing their own poster on the computer or any IT device, this is a great way of getting the Cub Scouts to think about safety, not just for themselves but for others as well. This poster can be designed at home and a printout brought in to show you. An example of some online pledges have been included in the resources.

If a Cub does not have access to a computer at home, you could suggest the local library, they should have computers to use or you could organize someone to bring a laptop into the Section night.

Internet Safety Activities

These are taken straight from the ThinkUKnow resources and are easily adapted for your use with your Cub Pack. As a Leadership team you can decide which activities to use, or you could hold a Cub Forum and let the Cubs themselves decide.

This Internet Safety Award is easy to complete in a short time and links to programme themes of 'safety' - 'community' - 'citizenship'.