

## Requirements for Explorer Scouts

In order to achieve the award an Explorer Scout will need to complete the following;

- Show that you know how to report concerns on line

### AND TWO OF THE FOLLOWING

- Take part in a planned discussion with peers and Leaders on 'cyberbullying', healthy relationships, and 'sexting'
- Make a poster/short film/animated film about what it takes to be a good 'digital citizen' or safety tips for using the internet
- Watch 'Matt Thought He Knew' & 'Exposed' ThinkUKnow films

### AND

- Understand and show how to change privacy settings on all social media

### 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.**

How do young people today live without the internet? That's how most of them keep in touch with friends, find homework support, research places to visit or find out the latest news. But as well as millions of sites to visit and things to do, the Internet offers lots of ways to waste time and even get into trouble. As adults it is important for us to be aware of what young people see, hear and do on the internet, who they meet and what they share about themselves online. The aim of this badge is to help Explorer Scouts understand the internet,

understand that what you do on line can affect your whole world and empower them to use it with caution.

**Before watching the films it is good practice to issue a health warning first, e.g *'if you feel uncomfortable about the content of the film/s, feel free to leave the room and gather your thoughts. If you would like to speak to someone, as you leave, let a leader know and they will follow you.'***

### **'Matt Thought He Knew' –**

It tells the story of Matt, a teenage boy who uses social networking websites to communicate with people and meet new friends. The film begins with Matt chatting to a young girl who he builds a relationship with. They explore their sexuality via webcam and eventually decide to meet in the real world. Unfortunately the girl is not who Matt believes she is.

### **'Exposed' –**

Is a 10 minute drama about a 15 year old girl called Dee. Dee makes a common mistake of many teens and sends indecent photos of herself to her boyfriend Si. Without thinking of the consequences, Si sends the photos to a friend and very quickly the images become public.

As we watch, a distressed Dee is helped through the situation by her alter-ego. Together they come to terms with the consequences of her actions and learn where to go for help and advice.

### **Resources needed**

- Projector
- Screen
- Laptop
- Speakers

**Discussions on 'cyberbullying', 'healthy relationships' and 'sexting' –** there are many resources available with information about these subjects – some of them made available for this badge. However, you may not be comfortable talking about these subjects, so why not

### **Resources needed**

- Factsheets

**Changing privacy settings –** this can be done on a Section night with their SMART phones or at home with evidence brought in.