# Welcome to Digital Schools Membership

Your school has been gifted free Digital Schools Membership by your local Prevent Team, to help you with any problems you may face in the digital age.

The programme tackles the main issues facing young people and their online lives. As the boundaries between online and offline disappear, issues beyond the school gates impact on school life as never before.

Digital Schools Membership is a service provided by Parent Zone – the experts in digital family life. We understand that it can be a time-consuming challenge for educators to stay up-to-date and fulfil their responsibilities to and priorities for students.

Digital Schools Membership Programme aims to make this challenge as straightforward as possible.

In this welcome pack, you will find a guide to using your Membership, explaining the various resources and benefits of being a Digital Schools Member. This includes:

- Internet safety lesson plans
- Parent and student handouts
- Staff training
- Policy templates
- Posters and presentations
- Support contacts

**These resources, and lots more, are located on the [Parent Zone website](https://www.parentzone.org.uk).**

As the nominated staff contact for your school's Membership, you can share access to with your school colleagues, by sending them your school's dedicated registration link.

Please inform us if you move on from your role, and kindly provide alternative contact details. If you have any questions about your Membership, please do not hesitate to contact membership@parentzone.org.uk.

# How to use your Digital Schools Membership

This is YOUR membership to use how you want. There are many opportunities for student learning and professional development, as well as parental engagement.

For example, there are **lesson plans** covering digital resilience and critical thinking, helping your pupils to explore the challenges of growing up in a digital age.

There are **staff training** and **senior leadership briefings** on important topics, from the latest statutory educational policy to advice on dealing with radicalisation.

You will also find a wide range of **handouts**, **posters and more**, to help your school's staff deal with the issues that may arise.

You also get access to a responsive **help and support area**, where you can seek expert advice and support, as well as guidance on how to make the most of your Membership.

## In-school sessions

You can also **book a visit from Parent Zone's training team** and access resources for **before and after a session,** with posters, parent letters and more resources to make the most of a visit.

You can find out more about in school training sessions by emailing membership@parentzone.org.uk or calling 020 7686 7225.

## A guide to your resources

Membership entitles you to access a wide variety of resources that can support your school's pupils and parents, as well as staff and governors.

Resources cover everything caused or amplified by the internet, from apps and social media to fake news and radicalisation.

## Digital Excellence

*Resources to promote your membership and your single point of contact for any online safety query, membership question or problem.*

| Resource | What it is | Where to find it |
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| **Support manager** | A single point of contact to provide ongoing support whatever your online safety or Membership question might be. | Email: yasmin@parentzone.org.uk or call 020 7686 7225. |
| **Digital Schools certificate and logo** | The physical and electronic assets that demonstrate your commitment to digital safety. | Your Digital Schools certificate and logo can be downloaded it from the **Members Area** of the website. |
| **Member newsletter** | Updates to keep you informed about forthcoming training, new resources and emerging issues in the digital world. | **Opt in** to receive regular Membership email updates from Parent Zone. |

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**The experts in digital family life**

| School resources |||
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| *Lesson plans, policies and the other assets to help you deliver digital safety excellence in your school.* |||
| **Resource** | **What it is** | **Where to find it** |
| **Policy templates** | Set of policies to help you meet your statutory requirements, for you to personalise. | Located in your Members Area *Policies* folder. |
| **Senior leadership briefings** | In-depth briefings written by subject experts covering emerging and complex issues. | Located in *Professional development,* within the *For teachers* folder. |
| **Self-review tool** | A comprehensive checklist to ensure your policies are in place to meet statutory requirements. | Located in your Members Area *Policy* folder. |
| **Digital Resilience curriculum** | Designed to help schools support pupils in developing digital resilience. Includes resources for staff, pupils and parents. | Located in your Members Area *Resilience & Wellbeing* folder. |
| **Lesson plans** | From learning about resilience to mental health, these plans are tailored to all key stages. | Located in the *For teachers* folder found in the *Primary* and *Secondary* areas. |
| **Posters, handouts and presentations** | From gaming to wellbeing, these resources help your school remain informed about issues that are either caused or amplified by the internet. | Located in the *For teachers* folder found in the *Primary* and *Secondary* areas. |
| **Staff training** | Courses on digital safeguarding and reaching parents. | Located in the *For teachers* folder found in the *Primary* and *Secondary* areas. |

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## Parent resources

*Resources that cover all the issues you may want to inform your parent community about. These include parent presentations, top tip sheets and our online parenting course.*

| Resource | What it is | Where to find it |
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| **Parenting in the Digital Age - online course** | A structured course that helps parents understand online risk; what makes some spaces riskier than others; the use of filters and tools; and how to develop effective digital parenting skills. | Located in the **Parent Lounge** area, within **For parents** folder. |
| **Vodafone Digital Parenting Magazine** | Our free magazine to use and share with parents. Order as many copies of our latest edition as you need. | Located in the **Parent handouts** folder within **For parents**. |
| **Parent handouts, presentations and top tips** | From social media to screentime, we've prepared presentations and handouts to cover all of the issues parents need to know about. | Located in the **Parent handouts** folder within **For parents**. |

## Pupil programme

| Resource | What it is | Where to find it |
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| **#DigiKnow** | For older pupils who may already think they are on top of their digital lives. #DigiKnow is an effective way to test their knowledge and have fun. | Located in the **Parent handouts** folder within **For pupiis**. |

## Additional support

If you have any further questions about your Membership, how to use it, the next steps or if you just want a chat through what is on offer, don't hesitate to get in touch. You can reach Parent Zone and we will be happy to help.

Contact membership@parentzone.org.uk or call 020 7686 7225.