

Online safety: Digital Technologies

Digital Technologies

The Australian Curriculum: Digital Technologies can provide students with practical opportunities to develop design thinking skills. When working with and building digital systems, the design thinking process places the user and their safety at the forefront of the design. The subject helps students to become innovative creators of digital solutions, effective users of digital systems, and critical consumers of information conveyed by digital systems. Digital Technologies delivers authentic learning challenges that foster curiosity, confidence, persistence, innovation, creativity, respect and cooperation. These qualities, supported by appropriate online behaviour, enrich the development of information systems to make sense of complex ideas and relationships.

Digital Technologies requires the communication and the collaboration of local, regional and global citizens who are capable of actively and ethically communicating and collaborating. Online safety awareness assists students to identify risks, social contexts and legal responsibilities when engaging online. At the same time, [Safety by Design](#) principles place the safety and rights of users at the centre of the design, development and deployment of digital technologies. Authentic consultation, typically in groups throughout the design process, encourages students to build empathy, develop respectful relationships and conflict management skills, and ensure that digital solutions are appropriate. The Digital Technologies curriculum is designed for students from Foundation to Year 8. This subject is offered as an elective to students In Years 9 and 10.

Website links

Personal Information - protection

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/educators/classroom-resources/hectors-world/your-personal-information-online> (Lower Primary)

Online interactions <https://www.esafety.gov.au/educators/classroom-resources/gameon>

Be eSafe <https://www.esafety.gov.au/kids/be-an-esafe-kid/sharing-my-personal-information-online> (Lower Primary)

Be Secure <https://www.esafety.gov.au/educators/classroom-resources/be-secure> (Lower/middle Primary)

Strong passwords

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/educators/classroom-resources/hectors-world/computer-security> (Lower Primary)

Lost Summer <https://www.esafety.gov.au/educators/classroom-resources/lost-summer> (Upper Primary/Lower Secondary)

YeS Project <https://www.esafety.gov.au/educators/classroom-resources/yes-project> (Secondary)

- Workshops 2, 3, 7, 8 and 9

Virtual Classroom <https://www.esafety.gov.au/educators/virtual-classrooms>

https://www.esafety.gov.au/sites/default/files/Keep_It_Sweet (Lower Primary)

Values, rights and responsibilities

Digital Technologies - Years 7 and 8

Content descriptions with elaborations:

Plan and manage projects that create and communicate ideas and information collaboratively online, taking safety and social contexts into account (ACTDIP032)

- establish a set of 'rules' about acceptable and unacceptable behaviour when collaborating online, considering how different social contexts affect participation in global virtual spaces, including considering the use of language, acronyms and humour, for example only applying tags to images of other people with their permission or considering social protocols of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
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Respectful relationships

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Digital media literacy

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Informed and safe use of information and devices

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