



St Jude's Online Safety Newsflash



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Online Safety Top Tip of the Week

Top tips for staying helping to keep your child safe on Minecraft

- **Turn off chat.** In the multiplayer mode of Minecraft children can chat with people they meet. But there's no way of knowing who they are. So turning off the chat function can help make sure younger children don't talk to strangers.
- **Find a child-friendly server.** A server is a single world or place in the game. You can find safe servers by searching online, but if you're still not sure you can call the O2 & NSPCC Online Safety Helpline on 0808 8005002 for more advice.
- **Watch out for viruses and malware.** Viruses and malware may be downloaded by buying illegal versions of Minecraft or additional 'mods' (add-ons that change the content or gameplay of Minecraft).
- **Set time limits.** Children often find Minecraft so much fun that they lose track of time. There's no end to the game, so talk openly about setting weekly and daily time limits as part of your family agreement.

www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/minecraft-a-parents-guide/

