**Update on Kik Messenger**

There are increasing concerns over the Kik Messenger app. Kik has been around since 2010, it has around 300 million users worldwide and can be popular with children and young people alike. The NPCC (National Police Chiefs Council) [reported last week](https://esafety-adviser.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=cbd59b76f0e1ad9db768db345&id=11da0733a1&e=04a6d9b8a0) that the number of CSE/A reports over the last 2 and a half years has quadrupled. Whether that's an actual increase of more children being contacted or larger awareness and reporting is uncertain but given the concerns of NPCC it's worth taking note. Do remind children of all ages about the concerns and what to do if something doesn't feel quite right.