

## Salford's Staying Safe Online Update

Welcome to the first of what we hope will be a number of interesting and useful update sheets to help everyone in Salford stay safe online.

Keeping **everyone** safe in the online world of the internet and mobile technology is at the heart of Salford's e-safety work. The e-Safety and Anti-Bullying Strategic Sub-Group represents Salford's cross agency Children's Services and partners and leads on strategy and policy providing guidance to its member agencies for keeping everyone safe online.

Please check out the information and guidance provided on:

<http://www.salford.gov.uk/rucybersafe.htm>

<http://www.partnersinsalford.org/sscb>

**SNAPCHAT** (type snapchat.com in your web browser)

This very popular photo and video sharing 'app' (application) can be easily downloaded onto smart phones and tablets and is ready for use straight away. It's popularity is because the photo or video only lasts a few seconds and then disappears. Note that it is **not for use by under 13s!!** Please note the Snapchat website has **privacy** information for you to read that explains what is happening to the information that you are sharing. It also points out that 'they cannot prevent others from making copies of your message (eg by taking a screenshot)'..... So PLEASE check out this small print!

Also take a look at a good resource for how to use and stay safe when using Snapchat - [http://www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/snapchat\\_guide.pdf](http://www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/snapchat_guide.pdf)

Remember the **SMART** rules (<http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/beingsmart/>):

- S** Keep SAFE online – don't give out personal information
- M** Don't arrange to MEET anyone you don't know
- A** Don't ACCEPT texts, IMs, emails or open attachments, click on links from people you don't know
- R** Check out that the person or information you are getting online is RELIABLE
- T** TELL someone immediately if there is anything bothering you