

## ONLINE SAFETY W/E 7<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2023

### For Students - Reporting Online threats

If a young person is threatened online they need to be able to judge whether this is a hypothetical or credible threat, this is because social media companies will treat the incident differently. Realistically this means that if the threatening account/actor is reported the company will either not deal with the matter at all (hypothetical) or will (should) deal with the threat if it is reported. It is important that students understand this because advice many of them receive is to 'block and report.' That is good advice, but it depends on the situation, in this case whether it is a threat and whether it is credible.

To help you with this, SWGfL and their website Report Harmful Content has a brief explanation of both types of threat, and very usefully have a list of common social media plus a few games which links directly to their reporting/advice page. You can find the page [HERE](#).

### For Parents - Apps to Help Kids Get Active

In this beautiful weather we're having and with the summer break just around the corner it's important that we all get outside and soak up the goodness. This can be difficult for parents whose children seem super-glued to their devices so Internet Matters have put together a useful advice page with a list of different apps for children of all ages to get them motivated. You can find the advice page [HERE](#).