



APPRENTICE STAYING SAFE ONLINE

The increasing use of the internet and digital technology has presented huge opportunities, both in enriching the learning environment and allowing apprentices to expand their personal horizons. However, it is essential that apprentices can develop the skills to be able to use the internet safely and develop appropriate online behaviours.

It is paramount that people are aware of ways in which they can protect themselves online and ensure the security of their personal data. Online dangers include bullying and abuse, hate crime, revenge porn, grooming, identity theft and viruses.

An important part of an apprentice's development at AS Training Services is becoming a critical thinker. Developing this critical mindset will also help apprentices to examine and appraise the validity and authenticity of information online.

AS TRAINING SERVICES ROLE -

- Assess the risk posed to apprentices through online technology.
- Provide relevant training for apprentices so that they can work safely and effectively online.
- Help apprentices to develop an objective attitude to online information and evaluate its authenticity.
- Make sure university staff are trained to identify and deal with concerns about online safety.
- Provide clear guidance on what is and is not an acceptable use of the internet at AS Training Services.

THE EMPLOYER'S ROLE -

- Ensure apprentices are made aware of your organisations policies on using the internet and technology in the workplace.
- Understand the dangers apprentices may face using technology in the workplace and act to minimise risks.
- Communicate any concerns about safety online to AS Training Services.