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Birches Online Safety

Squid Games

Netflix's Squid Game is set to become the streaming service's most successful show of all time, with huge numbers of viewers taking to social media to discuss each new episode. The South Korean thriller features some scenes of fairly brutal violence and is rated 15 by the BBFC. An unexpected success in terms of viewing figures, Squid Game's popularity is beginning to spread across various online platforms. There has been a slew of content created – ranging from memes to apps – that convey the violence of the show, so it is important for parents, carers and educators to understand the basis of Squid Game and the potential risks to young people who might be exposed to it.



What can I do?

- Keep a watchful eye on the content that your children are viewing.
- [Speak to them openly](#) and chat about how they have been spending time on their devices; let them ask questions, too.
- Ensure that the [parental controls](#) are activated [on your child's device](#) and that age-restricted child profiles are properly set up any on-demand services available through the family TV (such as [Netflix](#), in this case) to prevent inappropriate content being streamed.

If your child is now part of the world of online gaming, Internet matters has lots of useful tips and advice in their 'Online gaming advice hub'. Visit

Online gaming advice hub

Find the latest advice to understand the world of online gaming and encourage young people to game safely and responsibly online.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/online-gaming-advice/>

Click here to see the latest Government guidance for supporting parents and carers to keep children safe online.



If you would like to share any information or you need further support then do not hesitate to contact Mrs Cain or your child's class teacher.