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Parental Controls for Privacy



The privacy settings on your child's Android device allow you to set certain rules to help safeguard your child's privacy when they are using it. They allow you to turn off location services to keep their whereabouts private; prevent third-party apps and sites from viewing their information; and stop apps from accessing other functions of the phone (like the camera or microphone). Below are step-by-step guides on how to make your child's Android phone privacy settings more secure.



You will need to have Google Family Link installed and a Google Families account set up

How to manage location services:

You can block certain apps from obtaining information from your child's device. You can also prevent your child (or anyone other than you) from altering these settings.



Open the Google Family Link App



Select your child's account. On the 'Settings' card tap 'Manage'



Tap 'Location'. Select your child's device and tap 'Settings'.

Tap 'Location' settings.

Family Link



Turn 'Device Location' to off.

To reactivate location services, repeat these steps and turn 'Device Location' back on.

How to control access for third-party apps and sites:



Sign in to your 'Google Family Link' account.

Google Family Link



Under 'Members' select your child's account.



Select 'Account info' and then 'More'



Select 'Third-party apps with account access'



Turn 'Allow third-party apps access XX account' to off by toggling the switch.



How to manage app permissions:



Open your 'Google Family Link' account.



Select your child's account.



On the 'Device' card, tap 'Settings'.



Tap 'App permissions' then choose a permission.



Below your child's device, switch the permission off.



If you would like additional guidance on this topic and any other online safety concerns, please get in touch with the Designated Safeguarding Lead for your school or contact Claudine Rowley.

Further reading on this topic – and others - is available on the school website. Below is a link to the Safer Internet website, with detailed information and advice on all of the above points.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/online-issue/parental-controls> or
<https://families.google.com/familylink>

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