



A Resource for Parents Keeping your Child/Teen Safe in the Online Jungle

A school Principal from Auckland's Elim College Shaun Brooker decided to write and publish his own book on online safety for students – a book titled: 'Keeping Your Child/Teen Safe in the Online Jungle'. This book is available at Apple's iBook store where it has become a best seller both in New Zealand and has sold around the world.

Below are three key pointers from the book:

1. Maintain ownership. Make it a family device. This gives parents the ability to change settings and maintain control of how it's used and when.
2. Don't sleep with devices. Charge devices overnight in the kitchen, lounge or parents' bedroom rather than in the child's bedroom.
3. It's more than a gaming device. Set time limits for games. Create guidelines for how the device is used. For example, devices could be just used for homework and creative learning during the week and gaming during the weekend.