



Programme of Work

Safer Schools NI

2022/23



Regional Safer Schools NI Training

Ineqe Safeguarding Group will deliver one day training courses across all 11 local councils in Northern Ireland, throughout 2023.

This specialist training for school safeguarding leads will cover:

1. Online Safety update and briefing on current and emerging trends, threats, and risks.
2. How to maximise the benefits of your new Safer Schools NI App.
3. Utilising your app management portal to communicate and analysis learning.
4. The effective use of our 360 online safeguarding auditing tool.
5. Our latest lesson plans and resources from our Teach and Home Learning Hubs.
6. Feedback from participants on the needs of their school community.



Certified Safer Schools NI

Schools will be recognised for championing a whole school community approach to keeping their pupils safer online. The award of 'Certified Safer Schools' will be granted to those schools that complete our comprehensive training programme and who have shown they deliver a high standard of online safety education for their entire school community. This accredited scheme overseen by the Safer Schools NI National editorial panel, learning online skills with learning demonstrated through our digital proficient courses for school staff, parents/ carers and pupils.



Safer Schools NI Ambassadors Programme

Our Ambassadors programme is designed to empower safeguarding leads across the Northern Ireland education community to make an impact and inspire others to help make children, young people and families, safer online.

Delivered at Ineqe Safeguarding Group HQ, this one-day intensive course will provide you with exclusive access to earn how we build innovative educational technology as a vehicle for delivery of credible and relevant contextual safeguarding content.

The programme will include key insights to our collaborative working environment to ensure schools have the information and advice they need to educate, empower and protect their community in a digital world.

From our in-house development and creative design teams to our training, content, research and safeguarding teams' participants will get under the hood with a deeper level of insight into how we design and deploy technology for good.



Online Safeguarding Audit Tool

This innovative digital audit tool is designed to meet online safeguarding self-assessment requirements, identify gaps in online safety policy and practice and drive improvement.

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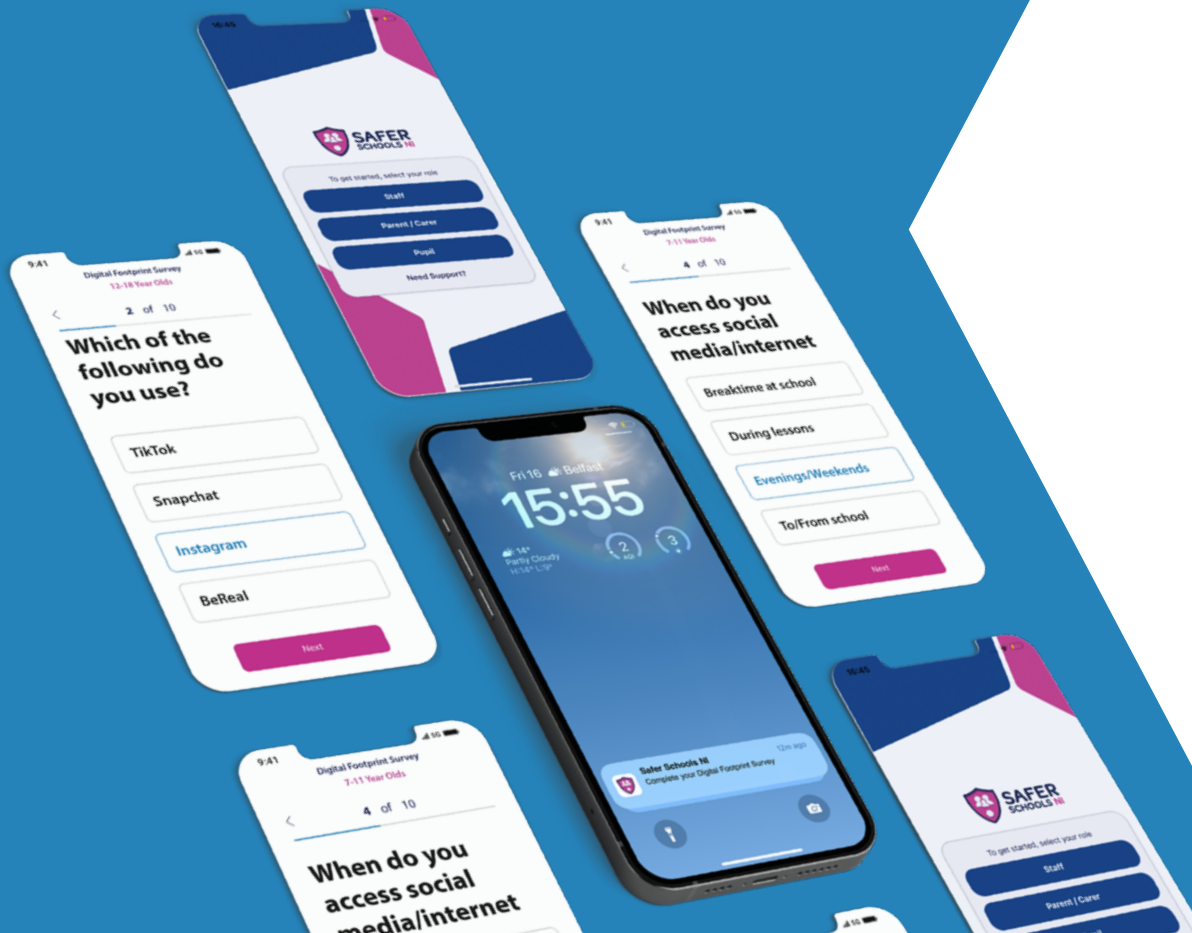


The flexible configuration means that it will provide an insight into a schools online safety framework, helping schools to:

- Meet safeguarding requirements and best practice.
- Assess the quality of online safety policies and practice.
- Identify gaps in practice and generate action plans to drive forward improvement.
- Understand the school's knowledge, skills and abilities in order to develop appropriate training strategies targeting specific needs.
- Produce reports as evidence for inspectors as part of your self-evaluation.
- Demonstrate compliance with the relevant legislation.
- Engage and evidence a continuous cycle of reflection and improvement.

Digital Footprint Survey for NI

This unique bi-annual national survey will provide us with a greater level of understanding of the online footprints of Northern Ireland's children and young people, families and school staff.



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The survey will provide key insights to;

1. the technology households have access to,
2. the platforms they engage with,
3. their exposure to potential harmful content or behaviour and
4. their ability to create smarter digital footprints in response.

The results will form a national digital footprint report, providing detailed findings that gauge parent/carers awareness of their children's online behaviour and their ability to activate the correct safety measures. Insights provided by this comprehensive nation-wide study will identify gaps in practice and inform, intelligence led recommendations that will drive forward improvement and our collective work, to make our school communities safer.

Safer Schools NI Conference

This national conference will bring together leading practitioners, safeguarding experts and online industry leaders. This dynamic, interactive one day event will give school leaders, safeguarding leads and pastoral staff a greater level of insight to online harms, trends and risks. The conference will develop delegates knowledge while providing practical tools, resources and advice on how together, we can forge safer school communities.



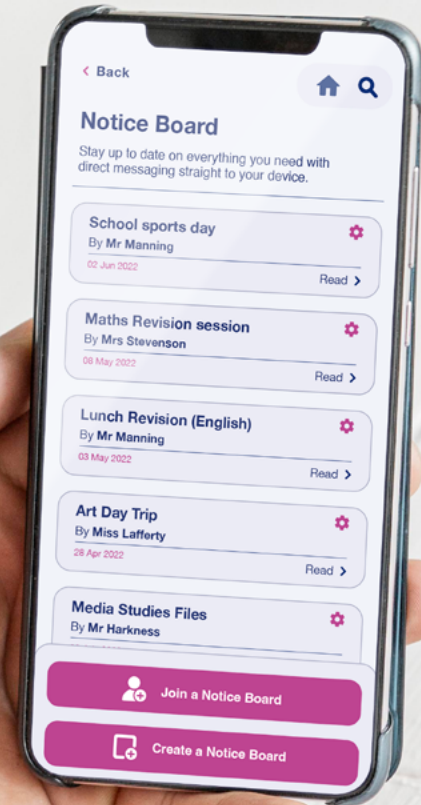
Awareness Raising Exterior Banners

Perfect for use around schools grounds, we will provide eye-catching exterior banners to schools to help promote Safer Schools NI within their community.

New Development Features

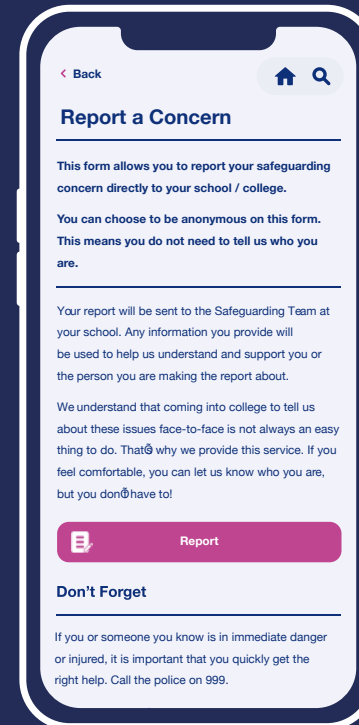
Coming to your Safer Schools NI App
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Report a Safeguarding Concern / Anonymous Reporting

School Leadership can choose to enable reporting pathways. These can be directed to named teachers, the pastoral care or school's dedicated safeguarding teams. They can also choose to authorise an anonymous reporting function.



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Report a Concern

This form allows you to report your safeguarding concern directly to your school / college.

You can choose to be anonymous on this form. This means you do not need to tell us who you are.

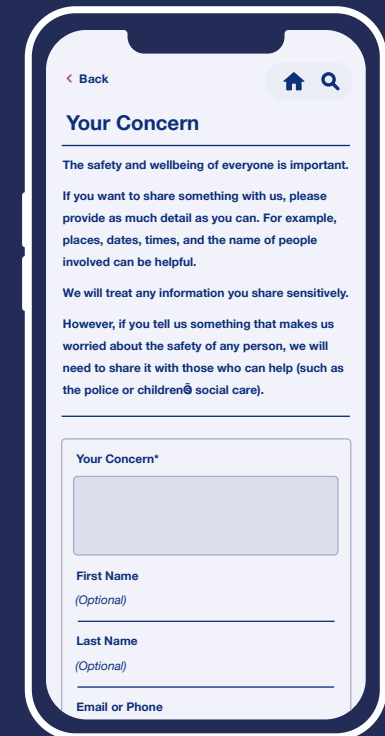
Your report will be sent to the Safeguarding Team at your school. Any information you provide will be used to help us understand and support you or the person you are making the report about.

We understand that coming into college to tell us about these issues face-to-face is not always an easy thing to do. That's why we provide this service. If you feel comfortable, you can let us know who you are, but you don't have to!

 Report

Don't Forget

If you or someone you know is in immediate danger or injured, it is important that you quickly get the right help. Call the police on 999.



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Your Concern

The safety and wellbeing of everyone is important.

If you want to share something with us, please provide as much detail as you can. For example, places, dates, times, and the name of people involved can be helpful.

We will treat any information you share sensitively.

However, if you tell us something that makes us worried about the safety of any person, we will need to share it with those who can help (such as the police or children's social care).

Your Concern*

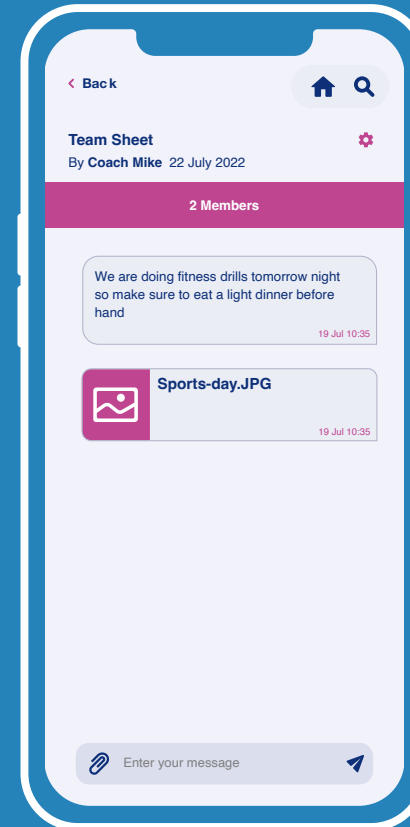
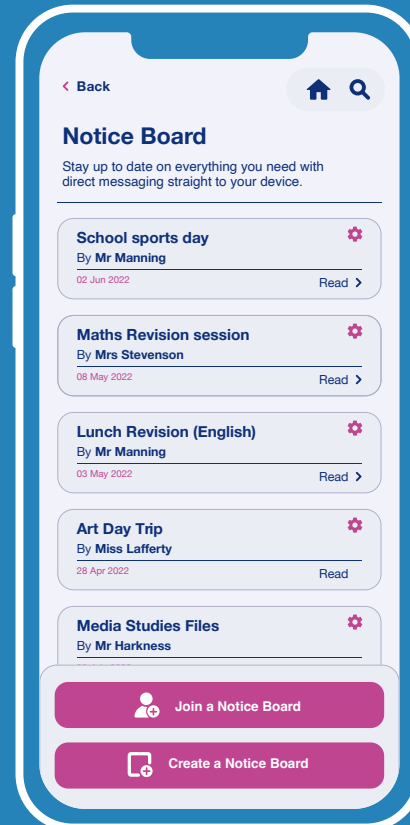
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Digital Noticeboard

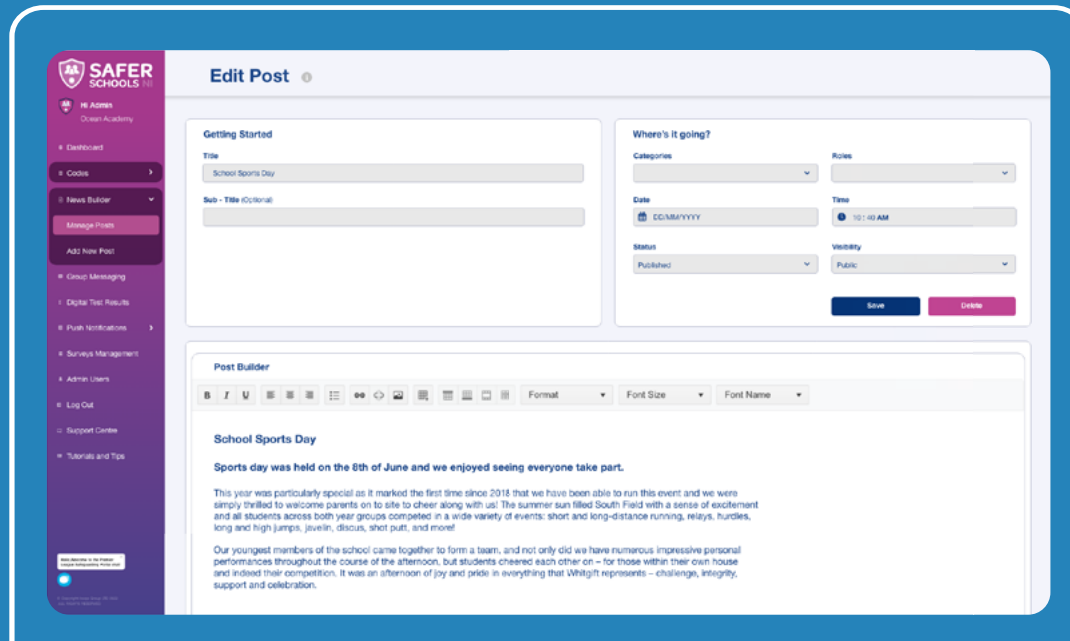
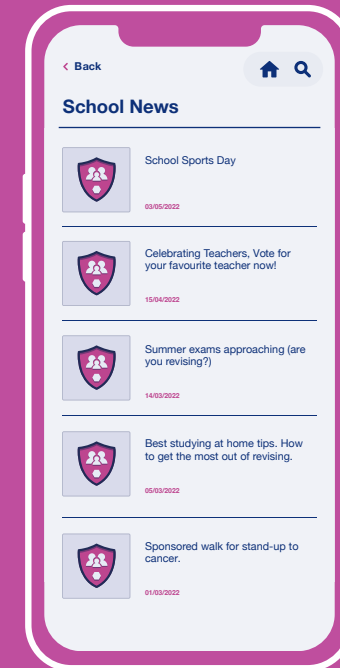
This feature enables authorised users to post 'digital notices' within the App. Think of this as something similar to a real notice board, for example, in the staff room, for the PTA or a class or year group. Noticeboards can also include sports teams and school clubs as well as specific boards for parents, carers and alumni.



School News Builder

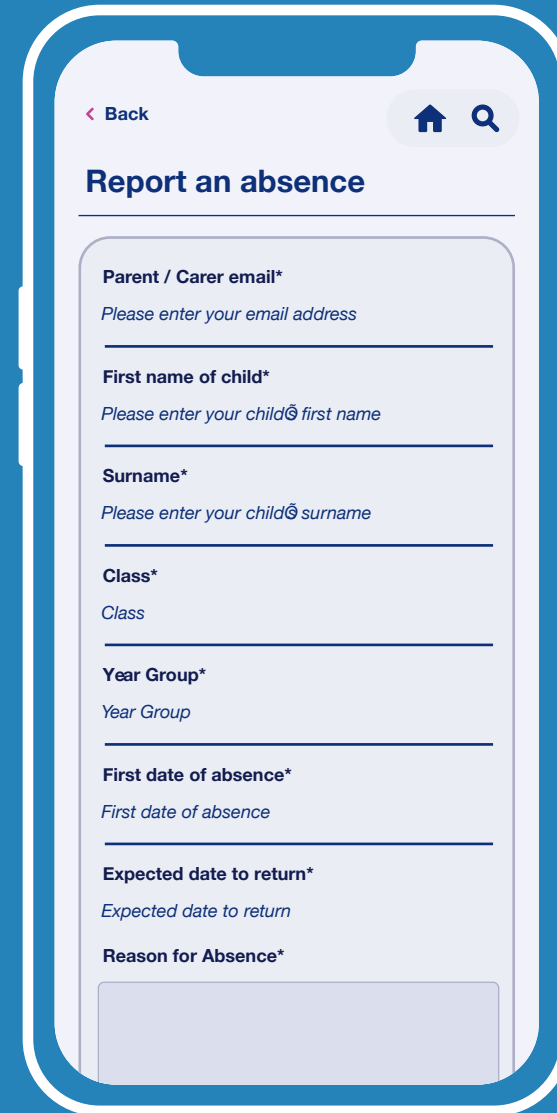
The App news builder enables authorised staff to create and customise content that can be published directly to specific roles or all users. Making it easy to create and maintain school newsletters, publish photographs, videos, PDFs and more.

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Reporting Absence

Digitise your attendance procedures with absence reporting. When activated by your school, parents and carers can make an absence notification via the App. The management portal analytics can be configured to provide an overview of themes and patterns.



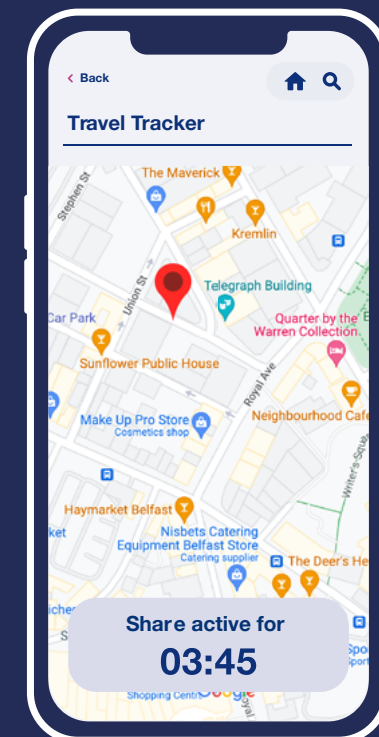
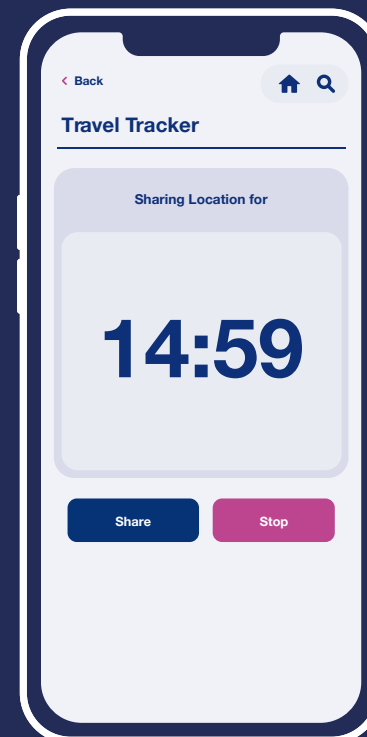
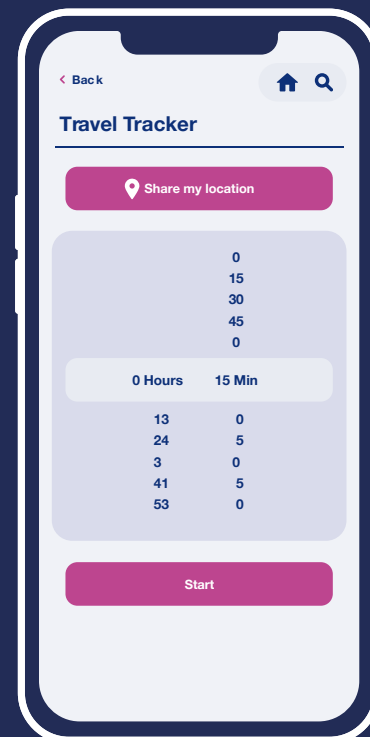
The image shows a smartphone screen with the 'Report an absence' app interface. The screen has a white background with a blue header bar containing a back arrow, the text '< Back', a home icon, and a search icon. The title 'Report an absence' is centered below the header. The form consists of several input fields, each with a label and a placeholder text:

- Parent / Carer email***
Please enter your email address
- First name of child***
Please enter your child's first name
- Surname***
Please enter your child's surname
- Class***
Class
- Year Group***
Year Group
- First date of absence***
First date of absence
- Expected date to return***
Expected date to return
- Reason for Absence***

Travel Tracker

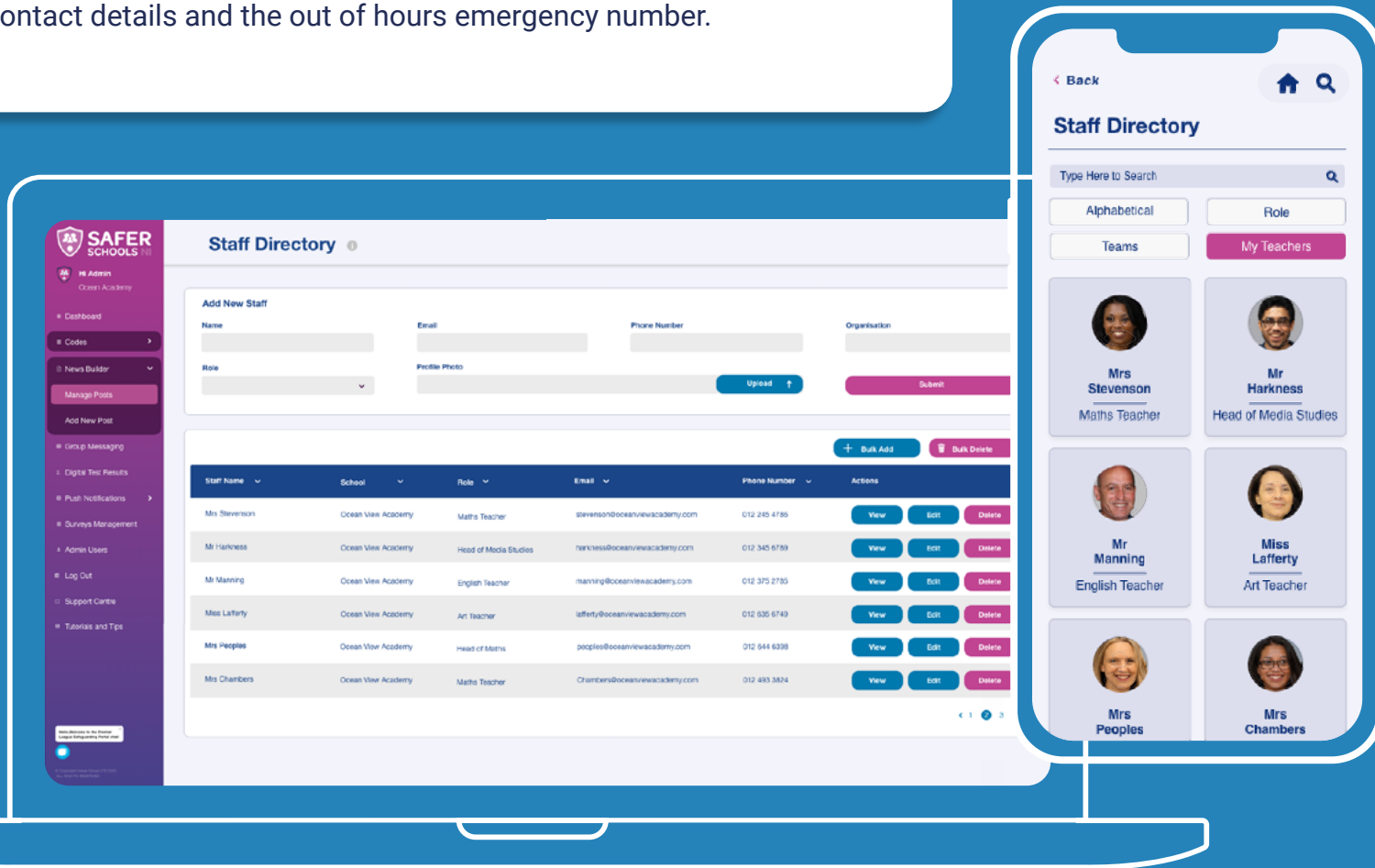
This feature enables a coach, or member of staff travelling with students to share their location with their parents or other staff.

Available on both iOS and Android phones, users can share their live location to a trusted contact (the child's parent or carer) for a limited period.



Staff Directories

Staff directories are embedded in the App and subject to the school's policies can include some or all staff, photographs, contact details and the out of hours emergency number.



Register Your School

The digital world is 24/7; it's outside and inside of the school gates, so you need a service that does the same. Safer Schools NI is a digital library of age-appropriate safeguarding resources that you can check out anytime, from your phone to your computer to your classroom.

As a NI Safer School, you get free access to;

- A customised version of the Safer Schools NI App for your school community
- Resources and lessons for your teachers, parents and carers on our Teach and Home Learning Hubs
- Training for your school staff and pupils through the iAcademy
- Age-appropriate resources
- Advice and signposting
- and so much more



Register now! >

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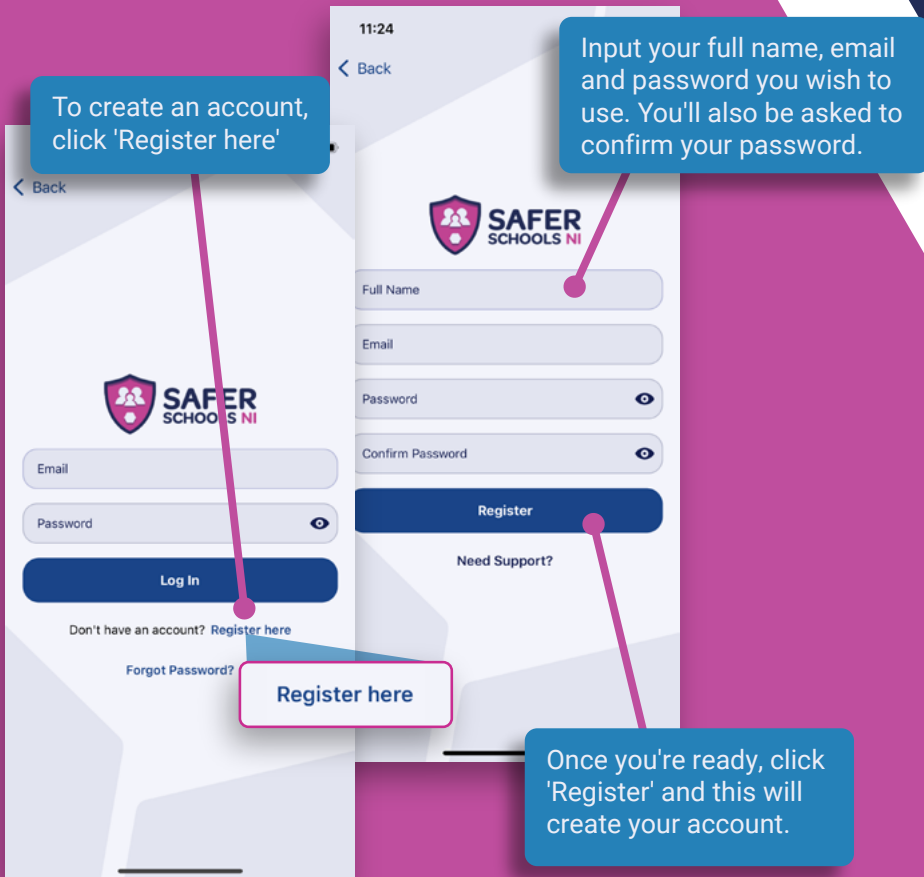


Download Today for FREE

You can find the Safer Schools NI App by searching for Safer Schools NI in the Apple App Store or Google Play Store, or use the QR codes below.



How to Create an Account



To create an account, click 'Register here'

Input your full name, email and password you wish to use. You'll also be asked to confirm your password.

Register here

Once you're ready, click 'Register' and this will create your account.

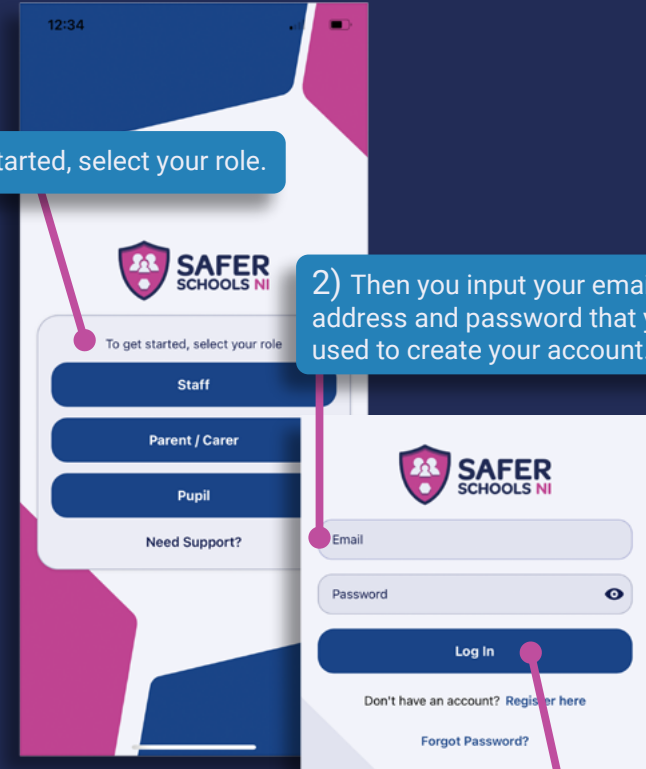
The screenshot shows the 'Register here' link on the login page, the registration form with fields for Full Name, Email, Password, and Confirm Password, and the Register button.

How to Log in

1) To get started, select your role.

2) Then you input your email address and password that you used to create your account.

3) Once you're ready, click 'Log In'.



The screenshot shows the role selection screen with options for Staff, Parent / Carer, Pupil, and Need Support?, followed by the login form with fields for Email and Password, and a Log In button.

Further Resources



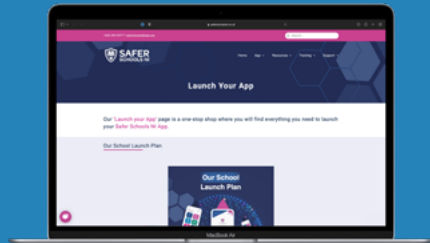
Teach Hub

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Support Centre

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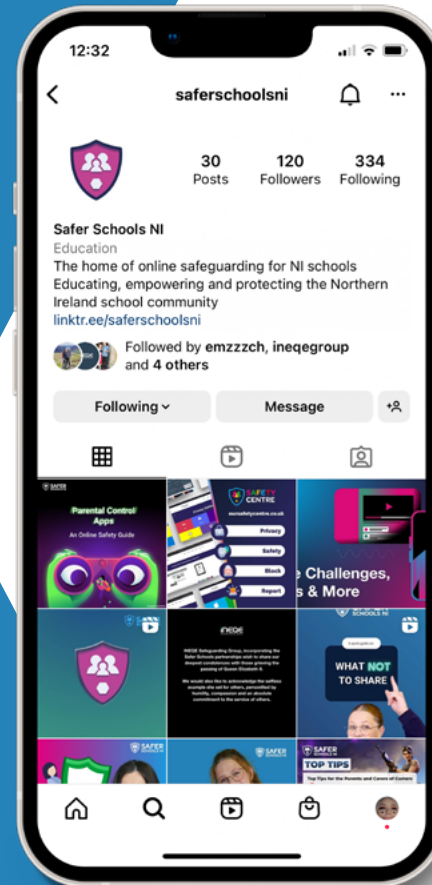
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