Field View Primary School

Honesty

Perseverance

Respect

DISCORD

You should be over 13 years of age to set up an account.

WHAT IS DISCORD?

Discord is a social networking app used by gamers to chat to each other. There can be in app purchases through Discord's premium subscription service. The minimum age to access Discord is 13. The Apple App store rates it as 17+. Discord is made up of servers, which are spaces for groups to chat, upload files and share images etc. Anybody can set up a server and they can either be public or private. Users can video call and send direct messages to other individuals or groups. Children who play online games such as Fortnite may use Discord to chat about the game (rather than the game's own chat facility).

FAMILY CENTRE

We always encourage you to chat to your child to see why they use different apps/websites and ensure that they know how to block users and what to do if they see any inappropriate content. It is important to be aware that Discord does include video/voice calling which cannot be filtered. Discord is used by an array of users and therefore adult content can be found on Discord as well as inappropriate language.

Discord have produced this article, which answers common questions:
https://support.discord.com/hc/en-us/articles/360045138571

SAFETY TIPS

How can I make it safer?
Discord have created this article, which outlines four steps to creating a safer account, including how to block users.

https://support.discord.com/hc/en-us/articles/217916488-Blocking-Privacy-Settings-

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PARENTAL GUIDE

https://www.childnet.com/blog/what-is-discord-a-guide-for-parents-and-carers/https://www.parents.parentzone.org.uk/morearticles/what-are-social-media-algorithms-and-how-can-they-be-manipulated

ALGORITHMS

Parent Zone have written this article explaining how algorithms work on social media. Algorithms influence what we see on social media platforms and predict what type of content we are most likely to interact with, thereby keeping us online for longer. There are benefits but unfortunately there are negatives, which are outlined in the below article:
https://www.parents.parentzone.org.uk/morearticles/what-are-social-media-algorithms-and-how-can-they-be-manipulated

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