

World first cultural change system for cyberbullying and cybersafety

First Pacific Islands Capacity Building Workshop on Child Online Protection

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# The Alannah and Madeline Foundation



Keeping children safe from violence















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### The Alannah and Madeline Foundation

## An Australian charity protecting children from violence and its devastating effects

Mission

Keeping children safe from violence

Vision

The Foundation's vision is that every child will live in a safe and supportive environment

**Values** 

Caring, friendliness, valuing difference, including others, respect and responsibility



#### Three Focus Areas

We care for children who experience or witness serious violence.

We develop programs which help prevent violence in the lives of children.

We play an advocacy role and we're a voice against childhood violence.



## Children Ahead



- Intensive support to help children recover from the trauma of violence
- Intensive care for 12 to 18 months
- Individually designed care plan



## **Buddy Bags**



Provides children who enter emergency care with a back pack full of essential items including toiletries, pyjamas, socks, underwear, a teddy bear, photo frame and pillow slip.











## Definition of Bullying

Bullying is when someone (or a group of people) with more power than you repeatedly and intentionally uses negative words and/or actions against you, which causes you distress and risks your wellbeing. 1



## The National Centre Against Bullying





NCAB is a peak body of experts working to advise and inform the Australian community on the issue of childhood bullying and the creation of safe schools and communities, including the issue of cybersafety.

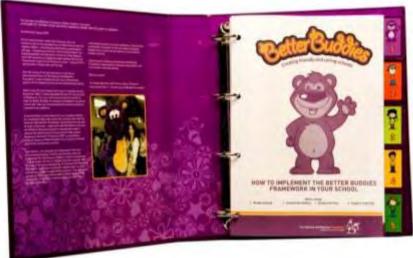


#### Better Buddies Framework

A peer support initiative designed to create friendly and caring primary school communities where bullying is reduced.

Older children buddy up with younger children and learn the values of caring for others, friendliness, respect, valuing difference, including others and responsibility.











## Cyberbullying

Cyberbullying is bullying -















## What are young people doing online?



The internet plays a critical role in the lives of our young people. 1

"....to many adults, the Internet is a thing, but to kids it's a place. And this place is an integral part of their selfidentity, relationship formation, and social support."

1. Young People and Technology, McGrath 2009



## Teenagers online





















**9/10** teenagers have internet access at home

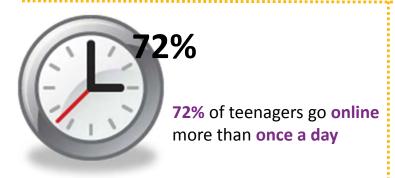


89% of teenagers have a mobile phone69% mobile phone users have a smart phone



74% use a computer to go online23% a tablet

**56%** a mobile phone





In four years to December 2013, the number of teenagers who accessed the **internet from** wireless hotspots has increased by 176%



## Teenagers online

#### Top 3 online channels (Dec, 2013)





You Tube

77% visited
Google
spending
an average
of
3 hours
and 4

minutes

53% visited Facebook spending an average of 2 hours and 27 minutes

50% visited YouTube spending an average of 2 hours and 25 minutes Top 3 internet based activities (Dec, 2013)

9/10 for entertainment 8.5/10 for communication 6/10 for research

In 2013, students spent a median of 10.0 hours using the computer/Internet each week



Girls more often use the Internet for social networking (52%) than boys (38%)





## Teenagers, apps and social media



The number of teenagers downloading apps has increased by 79% in the last two years



12% decrease between 2012 and 2013



#### Australian families are very concerned about cybersafety:

- → cyberbullying
- → sexting
- → privacy issues
- unwanted contact by strangers



## Social media – perceived risks

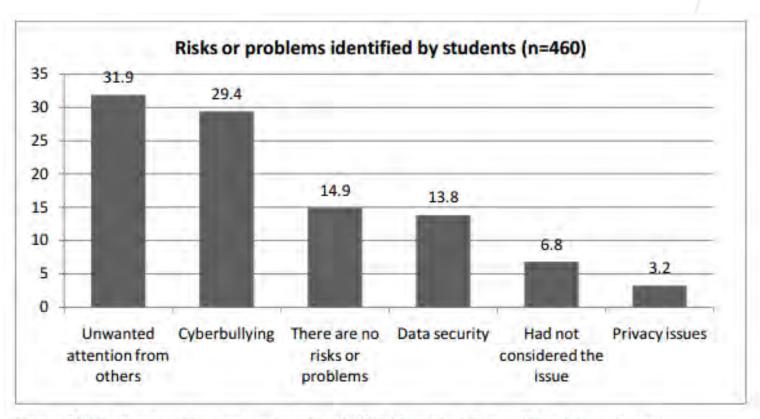


Figure 23. Risks or problems associated with SNS identified by year 7 to 10 students.



## Rates of cyberbullying

- → 10 20% children report being cyberbullied, peaks at 13 to 14 years
- → The incidence is increasing with increased access to technology.
- → In some countries the prevalence is well over 50% (USA: 52%, Canada 55%, China 65%)



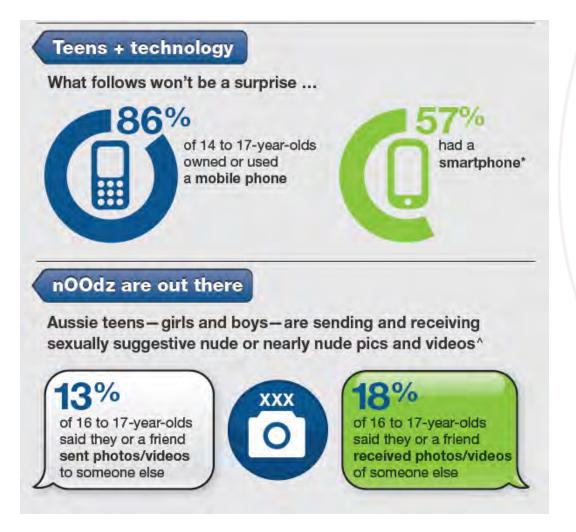
## Effects of cyberbullying

- → Physical and psychological consequences. 1
- → Long term negative effects on the mental health of victims. 2
- → Students who continually engage in bullying at school tend to be more clinically depressed, undertake self harming behaviours and suicidal than others. 3
- → Are more inclined to be aggressive in the wider society, whilst at school and after leaving school. 4

- 1. Hawker and Boulton 2000, Bond et al, 2001, Rigby 2005
- 2. Olweus 1993
- Rigby and Slee 1999
- 4. Rigby and Cox 1993, Andershed, Kerr & Stattin 2001; Vander Wal. De Wit & Hirasing 2003. Farrington 1993; Olweus 1993

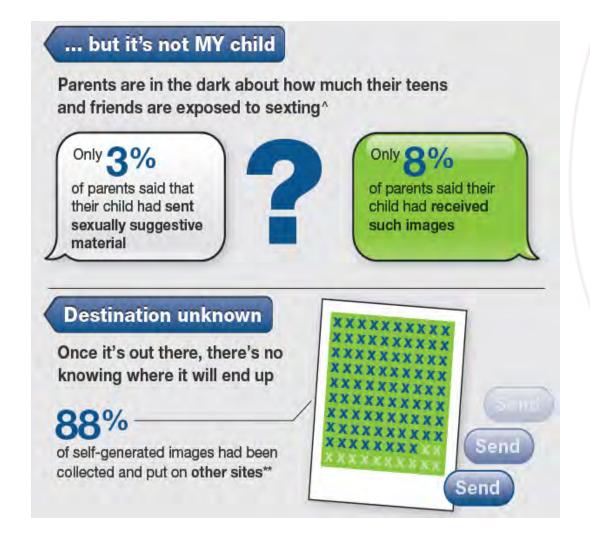


## Sexting



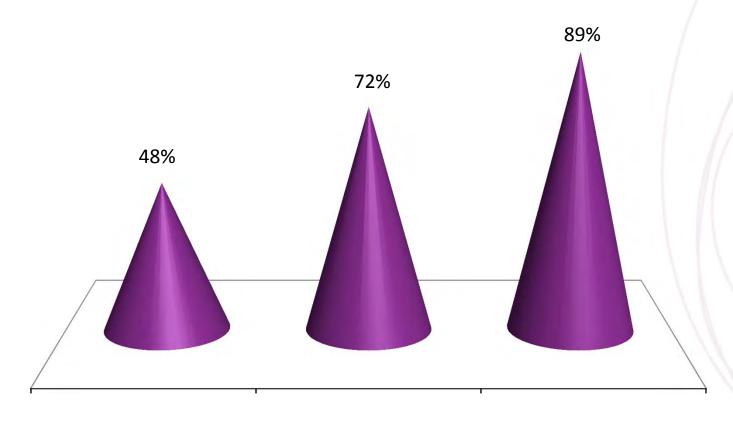


## Sexting





## The importance of this issue to Australians



Parents concerned about cybersafety

Parents concerned about how child interacts with strangers online

Teenagers describing the act of posting personal info online as 'high risk'

Source: The ACMA 2012



## The benefits of technology





## The benefits of technology

#### A great tool for:

- ✓ Socialising
- ✓ Communicating
- ✓ Learning
- ✓ Working



## Our challenge

How can we embrace the benefits of technology, and at the same time protect our children and youth from cyberbullying and other risks online?





# A cultural change approach to protecting children online

- Based on the highly successful SunSmart and Quit campaigns
- A world first in developing a cultural change approach to cybersafety





#### **eSmart**

**SMART** 

**SAFE** 

**RESPONSIBLE** 

Embracing technology for the future

Children and young people know how to keep themselves safe on line and off line

Parents know how to protect their children from cyber risks

Respectful, caring and friendly environments where bullying and cyberbullying are not tolerated



## Creating an eSmart Australia

Includes the whole community – everyone has a role to play:

Parents, teachers, librarians, police, employers, government, young people



Schools

Libraries

Homes

Sporting Clubs

Workplaces











Digital Licence







# Why eSmart for schools

- → Young people have unprecedented access to technology and unprecedented exposure to cybersafety risks.
- → Cybersafety and bullying are major issues for schools.
- → Schools are overwhelmed by the number and range of cybersafety and wellbeing programs available.
- → Schools recognise they have a duty of care to their students which can extend beyond the classroom (24/7) especially if schools provide the technology.

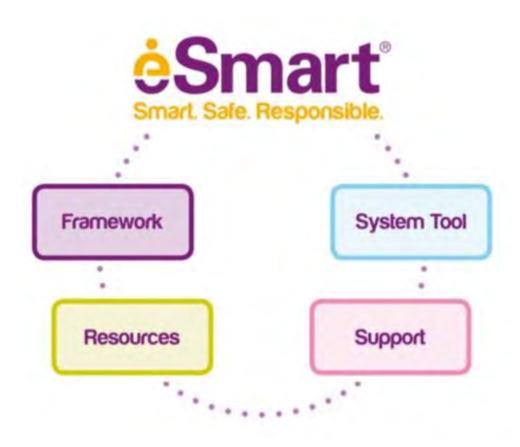
# eSmart system

eSmart is supported by a fully interactive website, where participating schools will be able to:

- complete a self-assessment survey on their management of smart, safe and responsible use of communications technology in their school
- track and record progress against a number of specified actions under the six domains of the framework
- ✓ access a wide variety of evidence-based, quality-checked resources
- ✓ submit to AMF proof of activity to achieve recognition of their cybersafety practice (to become an eSmart School)
- ✓ participate in member online forums and other Web 2.0 exchange applications
- promote their school's activities via case studies
- display an eSmart sign on their school.

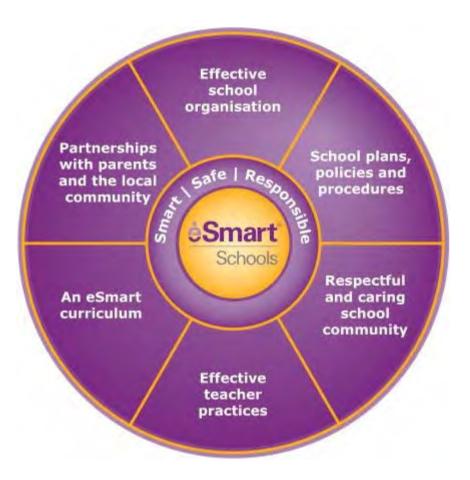


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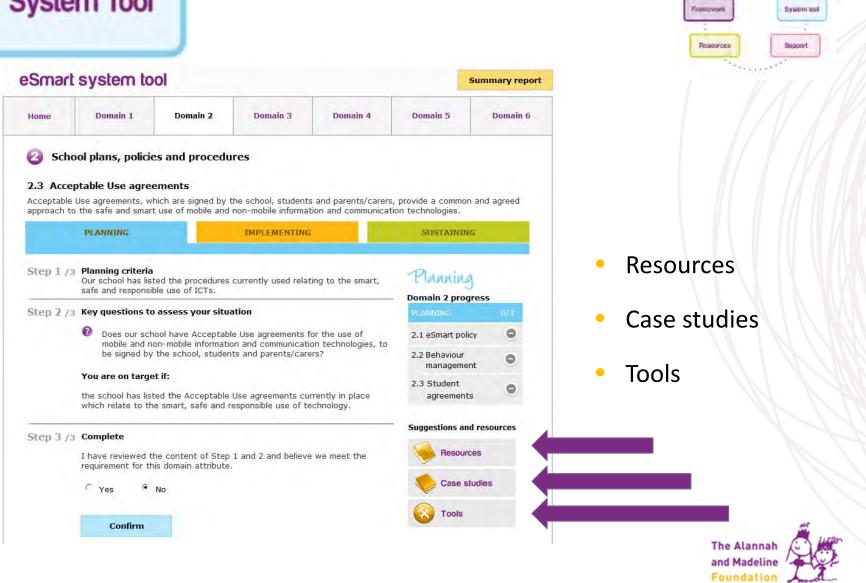
# Framework











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KEY TOPICS		Source	Title	Description	Relevance to Action area	Format
Community	(4)		Survey: Digital	Survey tool for	Useful tool for collecting data	-
Training	(9)	<b>éSmart</b>	literacy - library staff	assessing digital literacy of staff	about staff digital literacy and computer skills, monitoring	1
Privacy	(3)					
Literacy	(2)				over time and reviewing	
Social Media	(4)				effectivess of training.	
Data Collection		10	Tip Sheet: Data	Advice for collection	Tip Sheet explains why data	-
Cybersafety	(3)	<b>•</b> Smart	collection, monitoring, and use of evidence	and monitoring of data and evidence to inform the planning and implementation stages of the eSmart	and evidence are crucial to eSmart, and provides advice on ethical issues, storage and access, presenting and communicating, and	The same
Working	(5)					
Group	(1)					
Palicies	(1)					
FORMATS				Framework	techniques of data collection.	
	(6)				A useful checklist when assessing staff and users	
Document	(5)				digital literacy skills	
Web Page	(5)		Gossary:	A glossary containing	A useful tool for developing	-
Video	(1)	<b>é</b> Smart	Cybersafety and Technology	terms related to technology, cybersafety and	library staff and user knowledge of general terms and concepts related to technology, cybersafety and	1
Game /						
Interactive	(0)					
AUDIENCE				wellbeing.	wellbeing.	
PROVIDER		Public Libraries Connect	frain the internet trainer workbook	A training course designed to assist library staff to provide	Very useful Train the Trainer workbook for staff development (training skills)	1/
e5mart Libranes						
Library or	(3)			effective training to	and for delivering user	
association	(7)			other staff and library	education programs.	
Australian Government (4) International (1) Non -				users members, particularly how to use the Internet to meet their information needs.		

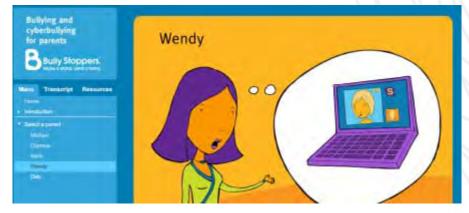


















### STAY SMART ONLINE

The Australian Government's cybersecurity website provides information for Australian internet users on the simple steps they can take to protect their personal and financial information online.

# **Bully Stoppers**

Bully Stoppers > Bully Stoppers









# Support







# **Smart** Check-in

Welcome to the first edition of eliment Check-in, your monthly elievisletter to keep you up to state with important pilot information and relevant cybersafety research, resources and news.

Congratulations on taking this significent step towards liectiming an eSmart Library and being prisonline allout cybersafety for the benefit of your library community.

We will use this elsewhether to communicate with you. It's a channel through which we can share your milestones and achievements with our sometic braining community and also real-life examples of how you all engage with the framework throughout the pilet. If you would like to share a highlight from your journey to far in the next edition of eSmart Check-in, please estable us or cell 1300 538 534.

For your convenience, you will soon be able to find published editions of eSmart Check-in in the







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# **Evaluation of eSmart Schools**

## **Evaluation Overview**

- Conducted by a consortium led by the Foundation for Young Australians
- Data collected over two years, consisting qualitative and quantitative data
- In the first wave of data, over 4,000 surveys were completed: students (2,313), teachers (1,485), eSmart coordinators (345) and principals (175)

Reason for participating in the eSmart Schools initiative, according to principals

- Over 95% needed a whole schools approach to cybersafety
- Almost 90% wanted to help teachers understand the way young people are using ICT
- Over 85% needed a structure to address issues of cybersafety, cyberbullying and bullying
- Over 80% hoped to better manage cybersafety incidents

# Evaluation of eSmart Schools – results

## Satisfaction with eSmart

- 90% principals are satisfied with the eSmart Schools online system and framework
- 80% principals believe that eSmart Schools is effective in changing school culture in relation to cybersafety, technology use and bullying

# Benefits of eSmart to schools

- 90% of principals surveyed agree that eSmart assists schools to:
  - Embed smart, safe and responsible online behaviours across the curriculum
  - Improve teacher, student and parent understanding of expected online behaviours
  - Develop better cybersafety policies and procedures
  - Improve awareness and management of online incidents.



# The Benefits of eSmart Schools

- A cybersafety system for schools
- Uses a cultural change model proven with SunSmart and tobacco control
- Guides and supports schools to implement relevant cybersafety policies and resources.
- It provides a gap analysis for schools on cybersafety and wellbeing
- A guide to the best available cybersafety policies resources, tools and curriculum
- Saves teachers and administrators time
- Provides assurance that a school is at worlds best practice in dealing with bullying, cyberbullying and cybersafety



# **e**Smart

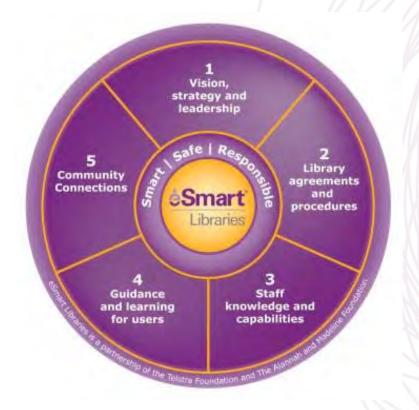
# Libraries





# eSmart Libraries

- A cybersafety quality assurance system designed to equip libraries with the technology they need for smart, safe and responsible use of technology
- Partnership with the Telstra Foundation.
   Telstra Foundation have committed \$8 million in funding over five years
- Currently being rolled out to Australia's 1500 public libraries, eSmart Libraries is now in one in three public libraries across Australia.





# Even in remote communities











Nhulunbuy Community Library North East corner of NT







# This library is





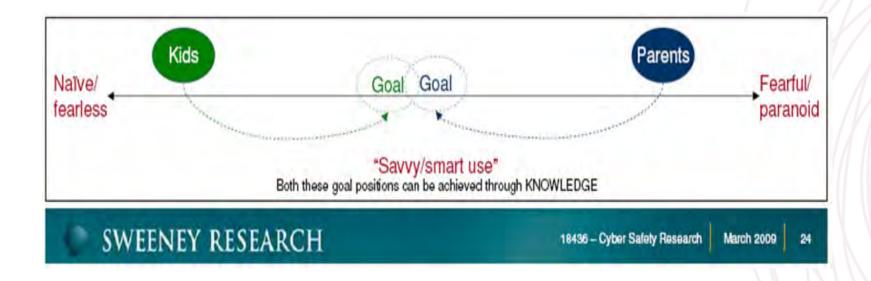








# "But I am safe"



eSmart Homes aims to narrow the digital divide between parents and young people

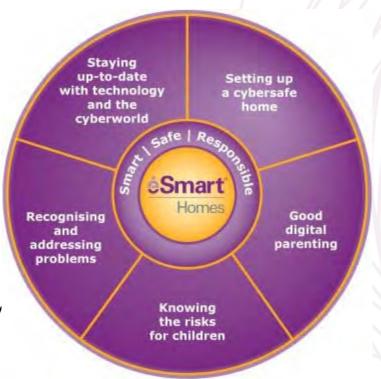


# eSmart Homes (concept)

eSmart Homes guides and supports parents and carers to appropriately set up their homes to ensure children are smart, safe and responsible when online at home.

### eSmart Homes consists of:

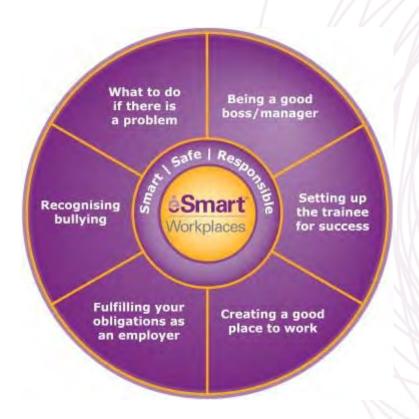
- A simple framework and set of actions, outlining all the steps required to create an eSmart Home
- A short home 'audit', enabling parents and carers to identify priority areas to ensure children are smart, safe and responsible when using technology in the home
- Navigation to the best existing online resources, tools and guidelines, to support parents as they set up their home safely
- An online portal with overviews of the latest news, tips, research and technology developments to help keep parents and carers up-to-date with the digital world
- eSmart Homes is currently being developed, with an anticipated release early 2015





# eSmart Workplaces (concept)

- An online quality assurance system and audit tool for workplace bullying, cyberbullying and cybersafety
- Will ensure a workplace is taking the appropriate actions to reduce the risk of bullying and create a positive workplace culture
- eSmart Workplaces will be flexible to meet the needs of very large and very small workplaces, and will complement current OH&S and other compliance systems





# **Smart**® Digital Licence





# eSmart Digital Licence

- Currently in development, the eSmart Digital Licence is an online system for testing, learning and certification of cybersafety skills for schoolaged students.
- The eSmart Digital Licence will provide assurance to parents and carers that children and young people have the skills to use technology in a smart safe and responsible way.
- Similar to the Mathletics, the eSmart Digital Licence is an online experience for both parents and children, aimed at stimulating interaction and conversations between parents and children about how to enjoy the great benefits technology brings to their lives, and at the same time developing safe and responsible behaviours on line.









# Creating an eSmart Australia

eSmart Schools



In over 2000 schools across Australia

eSmart Libraries



Currently in one third of public libraries with funding for all 1500 libraries across Australia

eSmart Homes



In development

eSmart Workplaces



In development

eSmart Sporting Clubs



In concept phase

eSmart Digital Licence



Every child can be eSmart; launch late 2014



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