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PARENT INTERNET AWARENESS PRESENTATION

WEDNESDAY 14TH MARCH 2018 - 6:30PM TO 8:00PM

I am proud to announce that Paul Litherland, from Surf Online Safe will be attending St Josephs School on Wednesday the 14th of February 2018 to speak to our year 5 & 6 students on the subject of cyber safety. Paul comes highly recommended and has been presenting to many other schools within Australia over the past 6 years. He is one of Perth's leading presenters on this subject and as a former Western Australian Police Officer, can offer some great knowledge and experience to our students to help them better understand the risks of the online world. Paul will be presenting to our students on subjects such as Online Footprint and Digital Citizenship, Image Sharing, Social Networking, Cyber Bullying as well as mobile phone and tablet use. His student presentations are very informative and I have no doubt our students will benefit greatly from this education.

The school has also booked Paul for an evening parent presentation on that same day commencing at 6:30pm and concluding at approximately 8:00pm. We invite all our parents to attend this event. Paul's parent presentations are very informative and offer some great tips and tricks on how to keep our kids safe online, as well as how to stay one step ahead of them in the online world. Paul outlines the information he presented to our kids that day and how his session was received by the kids. Paul will also provide a comprehensive Q&A session.

All who have seen Paul present have been very impressed with his subject matter knowledge and presentation style.

Subjects include;

Social Networking : What our kids are using. Trends & Pitfalls.

Online Predators : Risks & Trends, protection methods.

Cyber Bullying : Detection, prevention & coping.

The Law : How it relates to us all.

Device Use : Phones, Tablets & PC's, Tips & Tricks.

Image Sharing : Statistics, Risks, Tips & Hints.

Ronan Kelly : Assistant Principal

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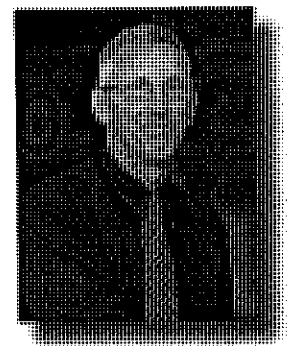
PAUL LITHERLAND - SURF ONLINE SAFE



From 2009 to 2014, I was working within the Technology Crime Investigation Unit of the Western Australia Police, a division of Computer Crime. We dealt with issues ranging from people being ripped off on Ebay and Gumtree, to romance scams and hacking, right up to kids being groomed by online predators. It was a massive world of which even I did not realise was so out of control. The last 2 years of my career, I became increasingly frustrated with the lack of legislation or authority I had as a Police Officer to act on the concerns of the parents and educators who were contacting my office on a daily basis.

The majority of these calls were ended with the simple phrase, "Sorry, but it is not against the law." It was upsetting to respond in this way, but in reality, I had no choice. The internet has been around since 1995, yet legislation has failed (or refused) to catch up. As such, many schools, parents and kids themselves are being left to deal with such matters on their own. In my opinion, I thought this was simply unacceptable.

Whilst pressing our government for change, I soon realised education was massively needed here in WA. I felt that if I could get my message out to as many schools as possible, the risk our kids were being exposed to every day would hopefully reduce. In 2014, I therefore made the decision to retire from the WA Police to pursue my dream of educating kids and Surf Online Safe was born. Since then I have gone from visiting only 3 schools in my local area, to presenting to over 320 schools and organisations across Perth, including some of WA's most prestigious colleges. I look forward to becoming part of the St Joseph's School community and to presenting to your students, parents and teachers for years to come.



Paul Litherland - Owner, Surf Online Safe.