

Digital Champions

Information pack for applicants

**Thank you for your interest in joining
the *first ever* Childnet Digital Leaders
Digital Champions!**

In this pack, along with this information pack, you'll find:

- Digital Champions application form
- Parents' consent form
- Media consent form
- Application checklist

Who are the Digital Champions and what will they do?

Our pioneer group of Digital Champions will:

- Be Childnet's 'go-to' group for exciting participation prospects
- Be representative of our entire Digital Leader community from across the UK and meet and collaborate with other Digital Leaders outside of their school
- Get access to a variety of fun and interesting opportunities
- Receive specialist training
- Advise the UK Government on how to keep other young people safe online
- Attend our regional and national events
- Help to develop new modules and activities on the platform
- Receive training on leadership, media and technology
- Get exclusive first hand access and contribute extensively to the planning of the programme as a whole.

It requires a 8 month commitment from December-July of the 2018-19 academic year. During these 8 months we would require one Skype call per month as well as the additional participation work – we don't anticipate this taking any more than 3 hours a month. There may be other opportunities that you might be asked to take part in, such as media opportunities and large scale events, which may require a longer time commitment and require that you travel. We will reimburse any expenses (such as travel and accommodation) you incur as a part of this group.

Why has this group been created?

The Childnet Digital Leaders Programme is proud to be a youth-led and youth focused programme. We know it's great as it currently is – but we want to make it even better! We know the only way to improve the programme and help it reach its full potential is to get young people's continued input on it.



What will I get out of being a Digital Champion?

It's our hope that the Champions get a lot out of this opportunity, and use it as a meaningful learning experience to further their knowledge of online safety and be role models to all Digital Leaders. We will give you all the support you need to make the most of your time as a Digital Champion. And have fun too!

Who can be a Digital Champion?

You don't need to know everything about the law when it comes to staying safe online – you will need to have a passion for promoting online safety, a desire to help other young people and a knowledge of the Childnet Digital Leaders online platform.

How do I apply?

Please fill out the application form included in this pack or fill out the online form at www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/3Q75V92 and return all your signed consent forms by **Friday 9 November**. There are no wrong answers so remember to be honest and be yourself!

Your parents/carer will need to read and sign both the Parents'/carer consent form and the Media consent form. The Parents' consent form states that your parents/carer give permission for you to be a Digital Champion and the Media consent form states that they give permission for you to be used in any marketing material (eg. leaflets or on our website) or if you're very lucky, any media opportunities such as film or TV.

You need to be available for an online interview that will last 30 minutes on either 21 or 22 November (this can be after school). We will give you a confirmed date and time if you are successful in passing the application form stage. We will make sure we have available slots either before or after school too, so you won't have to miss any lessons!

You need to complete the application checklist to ensure that you have everything completed before you send them to us. **Please make sure you have completed ALL parts of this application pack by the 9 November deadline. We cannot accept any applications that are missing any of these documents.**

Our Digital Leaders are doing some really awesome things:

"It was really inspiring and empowering that I was able to see just how much impact has been made, and how much more I can make as an individual."

- Muqaddas, Woodford County High

We hope that the Digital Champions can continue making the programme impactful, bigger and better than ever before!

When you have completed your application please send all your documents to leaders@childnet.com or post them to:

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