

## **Watch out for these online apps**

Jem Carter, one of our Diocesan Safeguarding Advisors, has compiled a Guide giving some recent information from law enforcement agencies with regards current on line apps that some children may be using and could place them at risk of being groomed and/ or exploited.

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The Guide includes details on Hotel Hideaway, a free 3D virtual world app where the private chat function of this app puts young children at risk of being exposed to mature language and grooming behaviour, and SoloLearn, a free code learning app where again the chat function can place young people at risk.

The latter half of the document provides an overview of current resources and websites re the reporting of inappropriate content, as well as advice and support – both for your people and parents.

Access the full advice [here](#).