



Online Safety Bulletin

Online Safety Alphabet

M - Meme

A video, image or piece of text that is spread widely and rapidly via the Internet.

N - Netiquette

The correct or acceptable way of communicating with others via the Internet. "Respect others' views, be polite and DON'T SHOUT"

Did you know?

There are 3.3 billion active Social Media users across the world!



In the news this month

Mother's WARNING: Deodorant Challenge craze leaves her daughter with severe burns

Latifa Yedroudj, www.theexpress.co.uk, Tuesday 8th May 2018

A TEENAGE girl has suffered horrifying second-degree burns from a deodorant spray following a shocking new craze that is sweeping Social Media across the UK.

Ellie Prescott from Yate, near Bristol, was left with severe injuries after her friends sprayed Lynx deodorant on her arm for at a close distance for a prolonged period of time, leaving her with painful bulging blisters.

Because of the severity of her burns, the young teenager may need a skin graft. Her mother, Jamie Prescott has urged all schools and parents to crack down on the "horrendous" craze that poses a serious danger to children's safety.

In a Facebook post shared over 3, 000 times, Mrs Prescott shared pictures of her 14-year-old daughter's arm covered in severe blisters and burns.

She wrote: "For any parents who have children, please, please sit them down and show them these pictures."

The "deodorant challenge" involves spraying deodorant at a close range to the skin for as long as possible, to see how long one can tolerate the prolonged "burning" sensation.

She told Somerset Live: "She went out and met with [friends] for a couple of hours.

"Apparently, when they asked her to put out her arm she did it but she had no idea of the consequences and hadn't

Jamie Prescott is feeling angry.
May 4 at 7:54am · Yate, United Kingdom · 48
I seldom rarely do this, but on this occasion, I would like this post spread wide and far....For any parents who have children, please, please sit them down and show them these pictures....These are the damaging results of something known as 'The Deodorant Challenge' which is currently doing the rounds in Yate and literally involves spraying deodorant on to someone else for as long as possible....It's that simple and results in severe secondary burns.The pictures below are that of my Year 10 daughter's arm THREE WEEKS ON which may still as yet require a skin graft....



even heard of The Deodorant Challenge before that point. Her friends had heard about it via Facebook."

Ellie may need a skin graft following the severity of her burns

Despite moving schools, Ellie still claims the dangerous game is still being played in her new school, and that teenagers are being influenced via Social Media.

Mrs Prescott has urged all parents to check up on their children and warn them of the dangers. She added: "I seldom rarely do this, but on this occasion, I would like this post spread wide and far.

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Tip of the Month

Sexting

This means sending sexually explicit images or messages via smartphones or online media.

- Don't take pictures of yourself that you wouldn't want your parents, teachers or friends to see.
- If you forward on a sexual image of someone underage, it is **ILLEGAL** and action could be taken against you for this.

