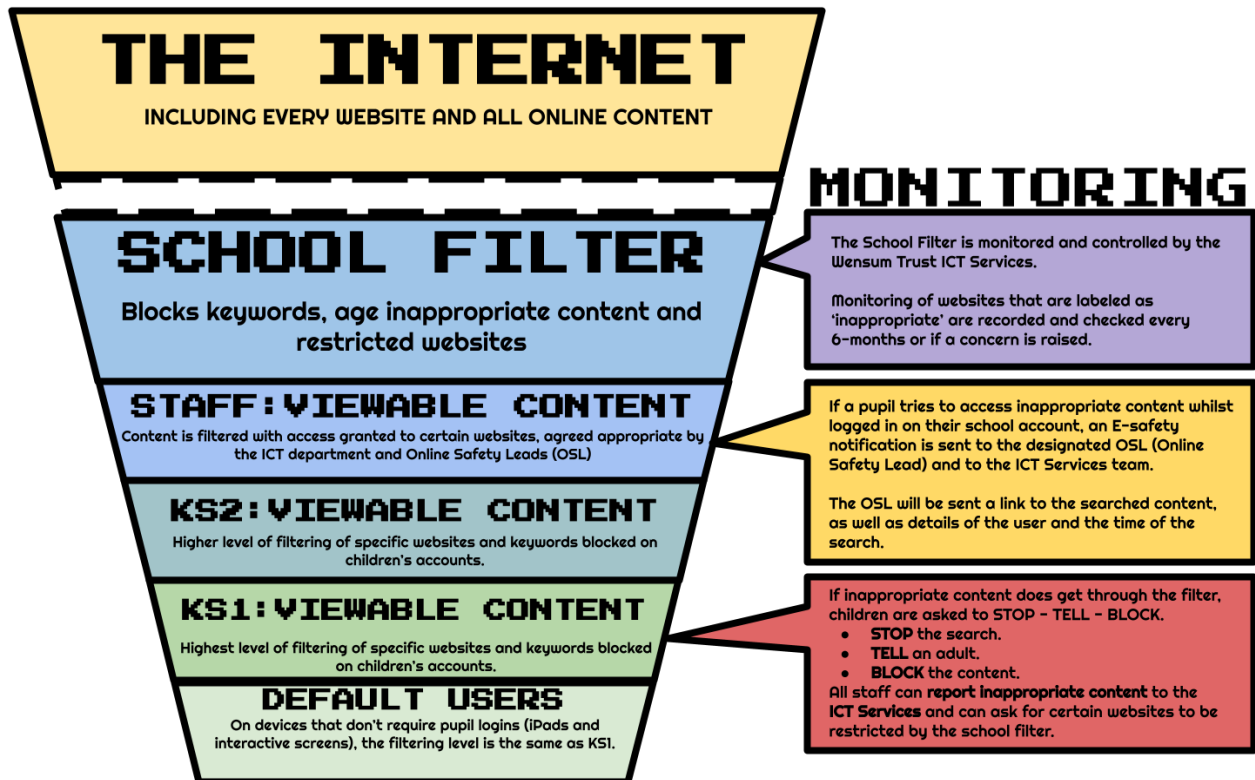




# The School Filter Explained



The school filter is controlled, monitored, and maintained by the **Wensum Trust ICT Services team**.

The filter works by searching for keywords and specific websites that are on a list of 'targeted words' that are linked to age-inappropriate websites or content not suitable for school. The level of filtering changes depending on the user who is accessing the internet, with KS2 children having fewer keyword and website restrictions than KS1 pupils. Devices that don't require a login (iPads and interactive screens) are set as 'Default users', which has the same access level as KS1 pupils.

The school can block specific websites by reporting them to the ICT Services team. If a child unintentionally access content that is age inappropriate, staff can report the content to the ICT Services Team at [ICT@wensumtrust.org.uk](mailto:ICT@wensumtrust.org.uk) or one of the OSLs. The school can also ask for certain websites to be unrestricted by the filter.

The school filter is effective and is constantly evolving to block and restrict websites. However, children can sometimes accidentally find web content that isn't appropriate. If this happens, children are reminded to **STOP - TELL - BLOCK**, which they are taught as part of E-safety sessions and before they use the computers as part of their learning.

- **STOP** the search
- **TELL** an adult
- **Block** the content

If a user attempts to access age-inappropriate content, the content is blocked (displaying a warning sign explaining why) and a warning message is sent to the OSL (Online Safety Lead), along with the user's name, time of search and a link to the searched content.

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