

## 123ICT Computing Competition - Summer Term 2021

### Calling all Key Stage Two Comic Strip Writers!

As part of **123ICT's** ongoing undertaking to support all of our contracted schools in making their children online safety conscious, our first computing competition of the summer term for Key Stage Two children is to create a comic book, or strip, that promotes online safety. We think that writing in this format will encourage children to participate and add to their excitement of creating a great online safety story.

We hope that the competition will increase appreciation of the numerous pit-falls of using the Internet; thereby, encouraging and promoting good on-line practise. It should also give pupils an opportunity to practise and improve their digital writing and graphics skills.

There are a number of really good free online Comic Strip websites that can be used to create entries. **Storyboard That** and **Make Beliefs Comix** to name but two of them. Alternatively, software and applications which may be already held in school, such as: MS Word, MS Publisher, MS PowerPoint, 2Simple's Create a Story and Create a Superstory and the Book Creator App for iPads could also be used to create entries.

This competition is one of our new-style competitions and will attract points towards our fabulous new '**123ICT Computing Champions League**'. The submitting schools for each competition will be awarded the following league points:

- First Place – 60 Points
- Second Place – 40 Points
- Third Place – 20 Points

In addition, each school that enters the competition will be awarded 10 points and the first, second and third places will also receive certificates.

We will maintain and publish the league table throughout the year and at the end of the year, we will present, in addition to a Computing Champions League winners trophy, a very desirable prize to the winning school. The runner-up school will also receive an excellent prize and runners-up trophy. The prizes are currently being sought from our suppliers and full details will be announced on our competitions blog.

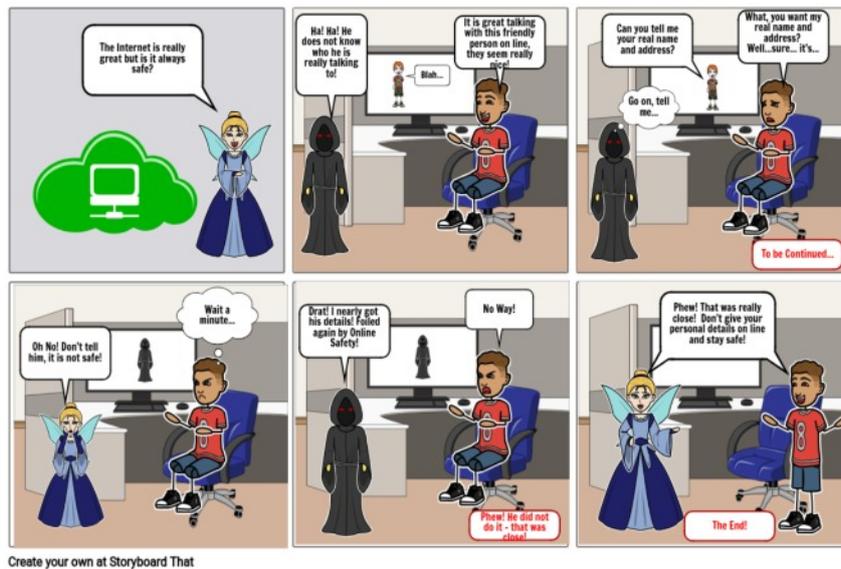
Full details about this competition, our planned schedule of competitions for the year and our new **123ICT Computing Champions League** can be found on our website computing competitions page: <https://123ict.co.uk/123ict-computing-competitions/>



# Creating an Online Safety Comic Strip



Online Safety One  
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Create your own at Storyboard That

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## Competition Guidelines

- The competition is intended for **Key Stage Two children**, including age appropriate entries from special needs schools.
- Each **123ICT** school is entitled to submit one entry per year group to the competition.
- As usual, judging of all entries for our competitions will be carried out by the **123ICT** team, calling upon any additional expertise necessary to assist in that judgement.
- The winning entries, along with all other submissions, will be published on our website: <http://www.123ict.co.uk> and will also be notified to our schools during the last half of the summer term.
- Entries should be e-mailed as attachments, or shared, to [competitions@123ict.co.uk](mailto:competitions@123ict.co.uk). A reply e-mail will be sent to all submitting schools to confirm receipt. If entrants do not receive a confirmation of receipt within two working days, they should check that we have actually received their submission, by sending us an email.
- **The closing date** is the end of the first half of the summer term. Entries from schools that are using the **123SOW** can be submitted at any time but if they are received after the closing date for the current year, they will be entered into the following year's competition.

Should you have any further questions regarding the competition, please e-mail them to me at the above competitions address or speak to your **123ICT** Consultant who will be happy to assist.

Good luck, I look forward to viewing your entries.

Andy Campbell (**123ICT** Competitions)



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