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With school holidays upon us, students may find they have extra time on their hands and are spending more time using digital technology. Here's a few of our top tips for being smart, safe and responsible with digital technology from the team at eSmart.

- Remember that it's easy to forward photos and videos sent by phone or email and posted online, so if you wouldn't want a photo or video, or some information about you displayed at your school assembly, think twice before you post it online or send it to anyone.
- Webcams can help us stay in touch, but it's important to think carefully and consider your safety before you accept a file or webcam feed from someone you do not know or trust in the real world.
- It's great to be popular, but remember that the more online friends you have, the more people can see any private information in your profile (even if you use the highest privacy setting).
- When you're communicating through technology, it's easy to forget that the person you're talking to is a real person with real feelings. If you wouldn't say it face to face, or yell it out at your school assembly, don't say it online. That goes for insults, swearing and rumours, too.

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