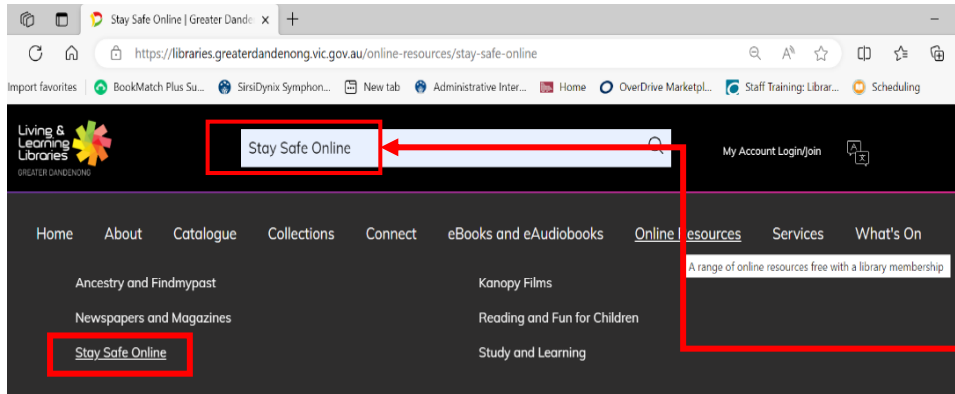




Stay Safe Online



Access your library as a source to find online support.

Go to **Online Resources** and then click on **Stay Safe Online**

Risks and dangers online - What to look out for

- **Scams** are attempts to trick you into giving out personal information such as your bank account numbers, passwords and credit card numbers resulting in identity and/or financial theft,
- **Viruses** which spread from computer to computer through the Internet. Some are just a nuisance and others can also delete your data.
- **Malwares** are innocent looking programs that try to trick you into installing them and steal your information.
- **Spyware** are programs designed to steal information like passwords or bank account details by recording your online activities.
- **Cybercrime** is any illegal activity that involves technology, devices, and a network.
- **Inappropriate online behaviours** could be bullying, abuse, sexting, cyber stalking, trolling, discrimination, fake news, pornography, online predators, harassment, discrimination and/or sharing of harmful images, videos, and information. scams, phishing, hacking, extortion, copyright infringement, and violation of privacy.



What to do to stay safe online

● THINK

- Think before you click and share personal, private, or financial information.
- Ask yourself is this message or call a fake, appropriate or a cybercrime.
- Understand the risks and recognise when things go wrong.
- Keeping personal information private.
- Think before you share anything online that you wouldn't do in person.
- If you are unsure of what to do when things go wrong. Ask for help.

● PROTECT

- Act quickly if something feels wrong.
- Don't open emails, links, and email attachments from anyone you don't know.
- Make regular backups of all the information on your devices.
- Update virus protection software.
- **Change** your weak and reused **passwords** regularly, to be secure.
- Be a positive and responsible bystander call out bad behaviour online.

● REPORT

- Report a serious crime or illegal activity **immediately** to the Police on 000
- Report - illegal and restricted content to relevant authorities.
- Report behaviours that cause any harm, affect mental health and wellbeing. or financial harm.

● SUPPORT

- Be kind to yourself, friends, family, or children when things go wrong.
- Remember you are not alone and there are lots of ways to find support.
- Talk to a trusted person or contact counselling and support services.
- Tech Assist Service at the library is available for all library members.