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### **Parent Information on Dealing with Online Games and Social Networks**

Dear parents and guardians,

In recent weeks, it has become apparent in the school environment that online games as well as initial or extended contact with social networks such as WhatsApp, Instagram, TikTok, or similar platforms are becoming increasingly important for students of all grade levels. Since the use of digital offers can be linked to both positive experiences and potential risks, we would like to provide you with some careful guidance.

Digital games and social media can be stimulating, creativity-enhancing, and communicatively enriching for children. At the same time, young users need support in assessing content and interactions appropriately. This includes handling personal data, contact with strangers, possible in-app purchases, and content that may not be suitable for the child's age.

It is recommended to accompany your children's media use attentively. The following may be helpful:

- joint conversations about the games and platforms being used
- setting clear and understandable rules for screen time
- activating security and privacy settings
- regularly asking whether there were any online situations that made them feel uncertain

These notes are not intended as a warning but as support for ensuring a safe and age-appropriate use of digital media.

Kind regards,

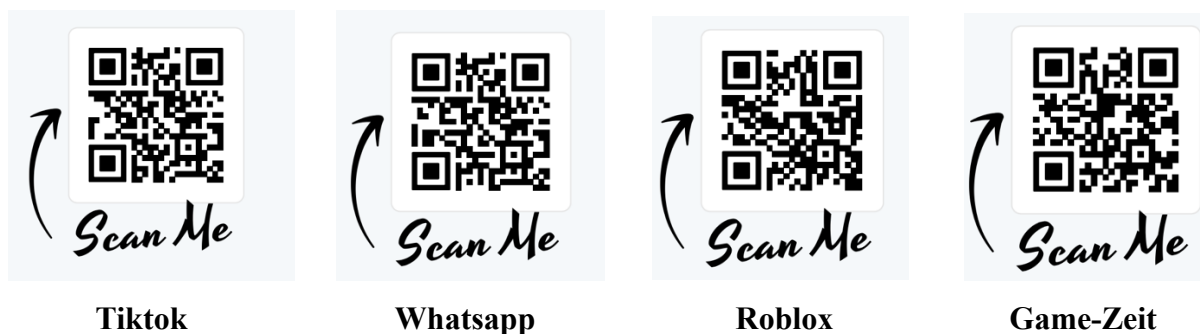
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## Parent Guide

The online internet guide is intended to help you competently support your children in the use of apps, games, websites, and social networks. This includes age-appropriate information about the safe use of media by children, recommended services, and options for youth protection. The platform also presents current media phenomena and their possible challenges. You will learn what role you can play in your children's media education and what influence media can have on the development of children and adolescents.

Scan the QR codes of the individual social networks below to obtain information about the respective apps and their potential risks.



## Klicksafe:

