

# **The ultimate guide to setting up Apple Family Share for your Childs phone**

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Setting up Apple Family Share allows one parent or carer to set permissions for their child's iPhone remotely to approve spending and downloads, locate the phone, and set parental controls for applications and internet browsing from their own iPhone.

## **How to set up Family Share**

1. Goto 'Settings' in the parent phone and then press the name at the top

< Settings

Apple ID



EDIT

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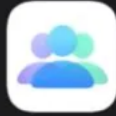
Family Sharing

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2. Click 'Set up your Family'



3a. Choose 'Create an Account for a Child'



## Invite People to Your Family

Get started by inviting up to five people to join your family.

You can invite family members using Messages, Mail or AirDrop. You can also create an account for a child in your family.

[Invite People](#)

[Create an Account for a Child](#)

3b. Click 'Create an Account for a Child'

[Cancel](#)

## Create a Child Account

Family Sharing will be set up for you and your child so you can share location, purchases and more. You will become the family organiser and this child account will be part of your family until the child is at least 13 years old.

To create this account, you must be the child's parent or legal guardian and provide consent.

We will also ask you to provide parental consent.

Continue

3c. Click 'Continue' and you'll need to enter the security code (CVV) of your card, for verification purposes only, in order to provide consent to create the child account. The card will not be charged.

Cancel

Done

Parental Consent

To provide consent to create this child account, enter the security code for your card:

(Visa (•••• 4••••)•:)

This is for verification purposes only. Your card will not be charged.

CVV Security code

Unable to use this card?

3d. Now add the name and DOB of your child

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Child's Name and Date of Birth

First name

Child

Last name

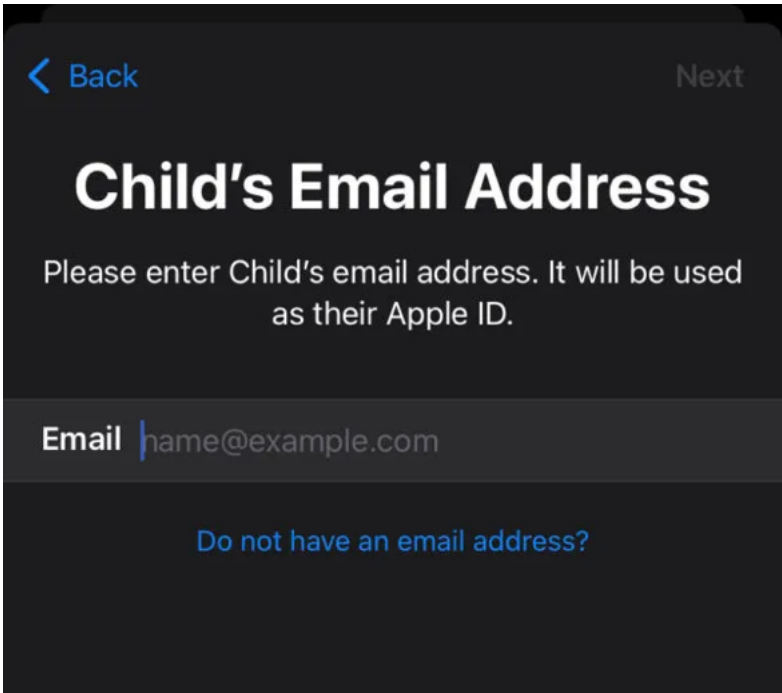
Name

Date of birth

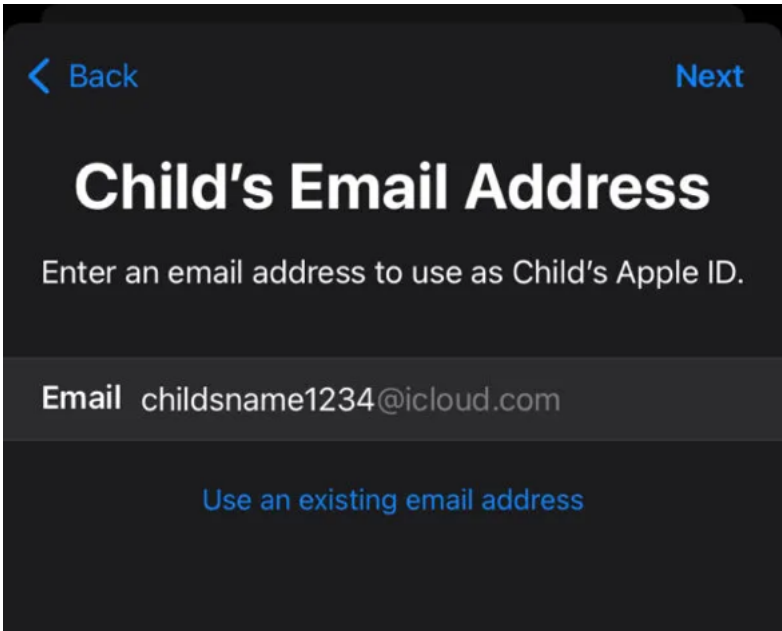
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Your child's date of birth will be used to determine eligible services.

3e. Now create an email address to be used as their Apple ID by clicking 'Do not have an email address' – **If they already have one, enter it and skip to 4.**



3f. Create an email address



4a. Create a password

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# Child's Password

Child's new Apple ID is:  
childsname1234@icloud.com

Use it to sign in to Child's account.

Password	required
Verify	retype password

Please choose a password that both you and Child will remember. The password must be at least 8 characters and include a number, an uppercase letter and a lowercase letter.

4b. Choose whether you would like the verification code sending to your phone, or your Childs phone. **Note:** if sending to the Childs phone, it will be blocked, but will be recorded in your portal in stead; so you'll need to log in and retrieve it from there.



# Phone Number

When Child signs in on a new device, a verification code will be sent to your phone number:

+44 75 [REDACTED]

If Child has their own phone number, you can use that number instead.

Messaging or data rates may apply.

Use +44 75 [REDACTED]

[Use a Different Number for Child](#)

4c. Enter the phone number you wish to use for verification codes

# Phone Number

Please enter a phone number that will be used to receive verification codes when Child signs in on a new device or to reset a forgotten password.

+44 (United Kingdom) >

phone number

VERIFY USING:

Text message ✓

Phone call

Messaging or data rates may apply.

4d. Enter the verification code (sent to your own phone, or retrieved from the portal)

# Verification Code

Please enter the verification code sent to  
**+44 74 ~**

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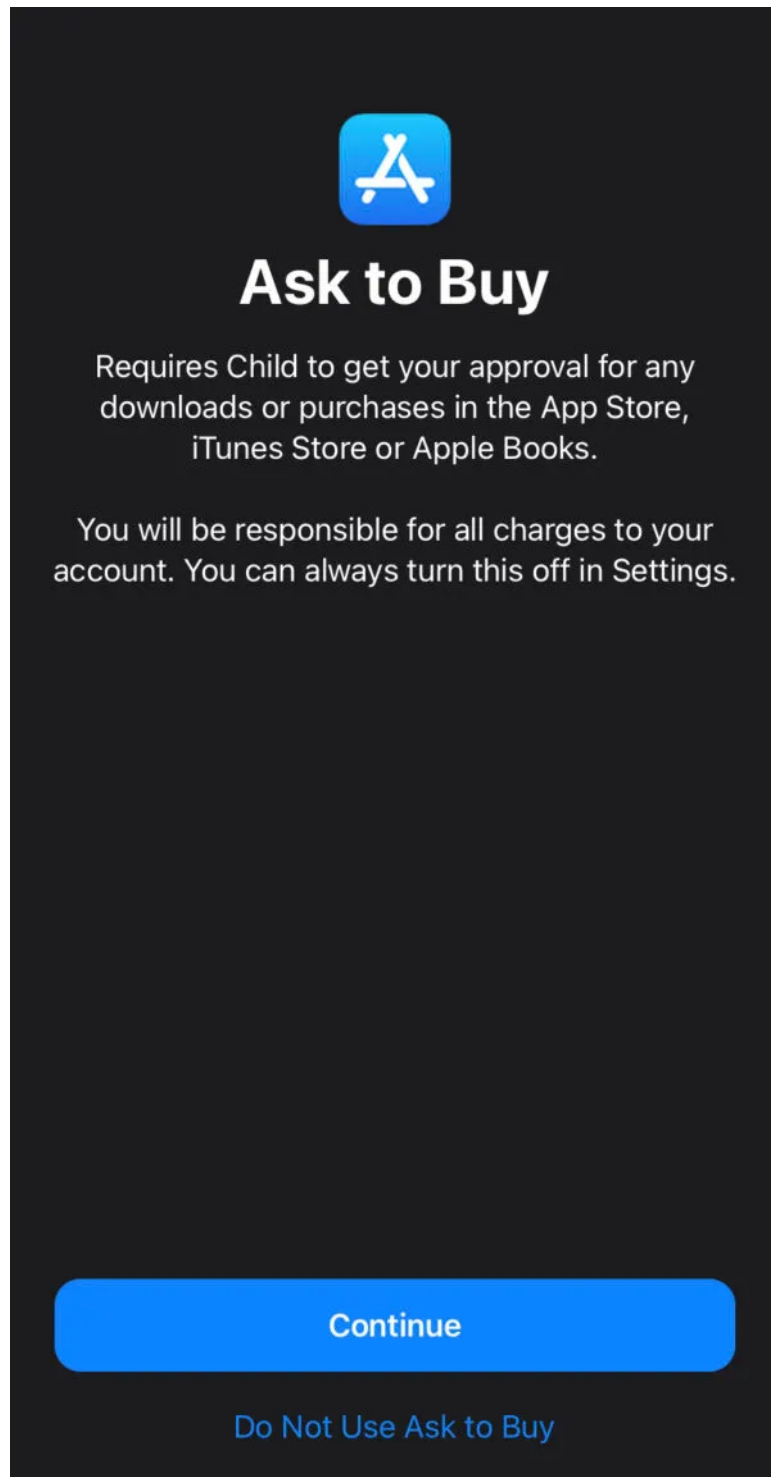
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[Did not get a verification code?](#)

5a. **Ask to buy:** with this enabled, the child can make request for a download of an application, or a purchase and that will come through to your phone to approve or decline. If you approve it, it will download, but if you decline it, it won't. You can learn more about this [here](#)



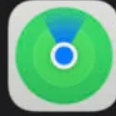
5b. **Location:** with this enabled, you'll be able to locate your Childs phone at any time from your own phone via Apples FindMy service. You can learn more about this here <https://www.apple.com/uk/icloud/find-my/>

**Note:** a data connection is required to locate your Childs phone, so make sure that mobile data is properly

configured on their phone as in our guide here <https://parentshield.co.uk/data-guide/> and that mobile data is switched on in your portal. Also, that there is some cash balance to use for data if on Safe Stage 1.

**Tip:** If you don't want the child to access data, and only want it for location purposes, you can leave data switched off in the portal and then when you want to locate the phone, switch data on, do the lookup and then switch it off again. Lookups work out at around 1p each at PAYG rates.

[← Ask to Buy](#)



## Do You Want to See Child's Location?

You can share Child's location with your family, so you can see each other's locations in Find My and Messages, and help locate each other's devices. You will also share your location with Child. You can change this in Settings.

[Learn more about location sharing](#)

[Share Locations](#)

[Set Up Later](#)

That's the initial set up complete, so now we'll go through Screen Time set up. There are lots to play with, so we'll run through the most common parental controls that we discuss with our customers.

## Screen Time

1a. Click on 'Screen Time'



## Family



Engine Mobile (Me)

Organiser



Child Name

Aged 7



Add Member

### GET STARTED



Apple Subscriptions



App Store Subscriptions



### SHARED WITH YOUR FAMILY



Ask to Buy

Enabled for Child



### MORE TO SHARE



Location Sharing



Purchase Sharing



iCloud+



Screen Time



1b. Click on Set Up Screen Time

Family Sharing

Not Now

# Screen Time

Review your child's Screen Time reports and set downtime and limits for specific apps directly from your own device.

You can also name another family member as a parent/guardian, so you are always on the same page.

[Learn More About Family Sharing](#)

Set Up Screen Time

1c. Choose your Childs name

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Screen Time

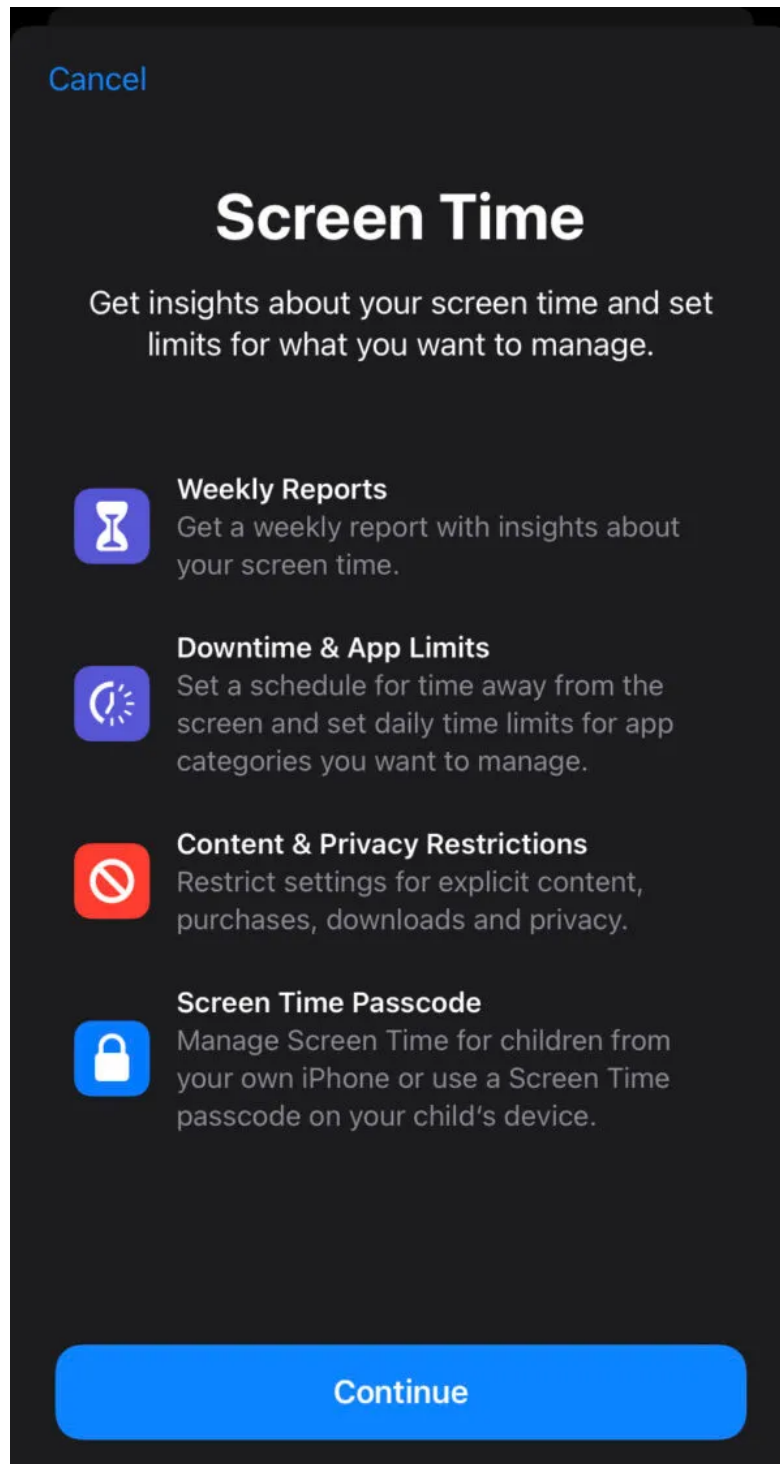
FAMILY

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Child Name

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1d. Press 'continue'

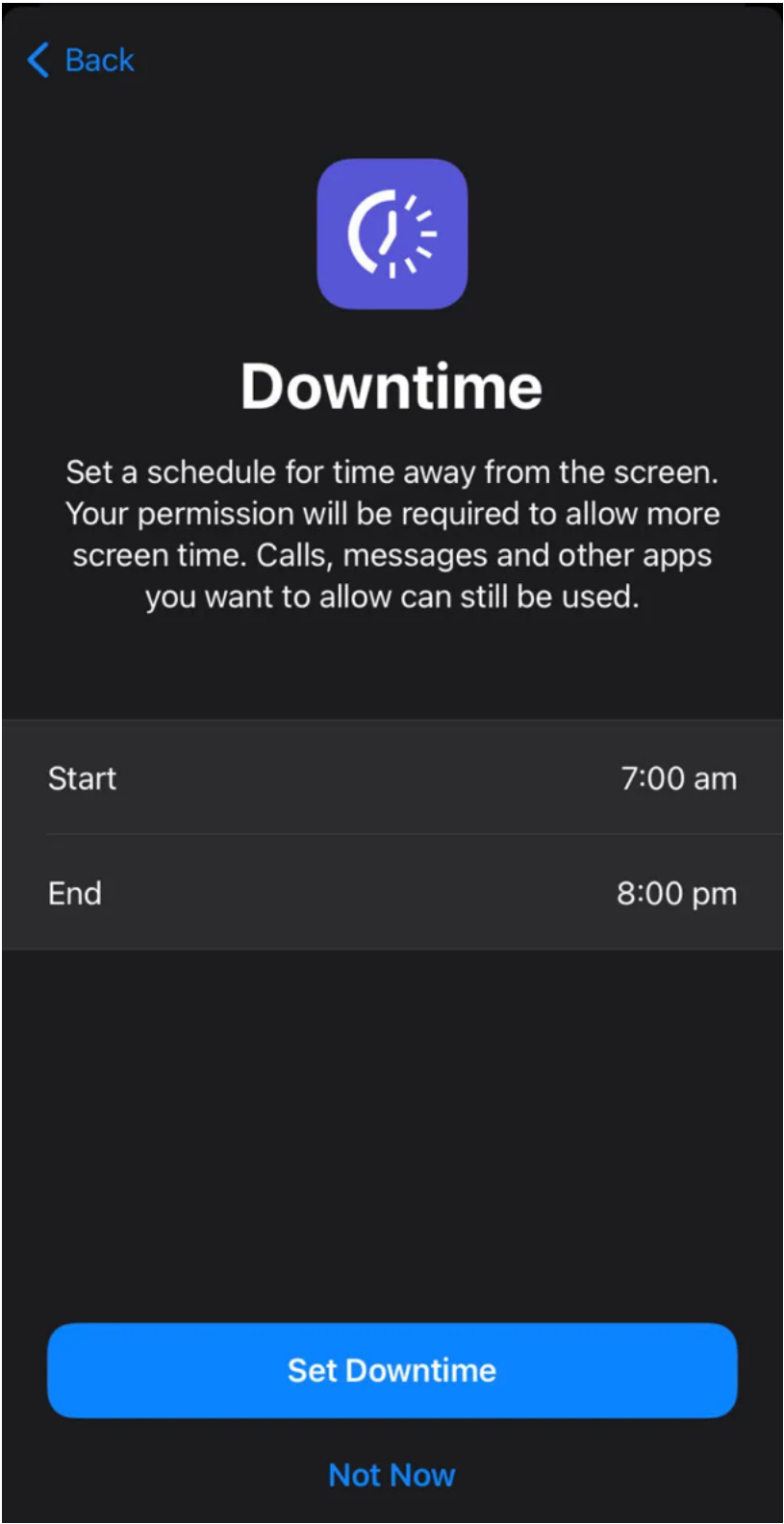


1e. **Downtime:** You can set time controls for time allowed on the screen, after this time they will need to request more time, and that request will come to your phone to approve or decline.

**Note:** Calls and texts will still be allowed, so make sure you have time controls set for these in your ParentShield



portal.



1f. You can now set daily time limits for apps if required – after this time they will need to request more time, and that request will come to your phone to approve or decline.

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## App Limits


Set daily time limits for app categories you want to manage. After a limit has been reached, your permission will be required to allow more time.

☒  All Apps & Categories

☐  Social

☐  Games

☐  Entertainment

☐  Creativity

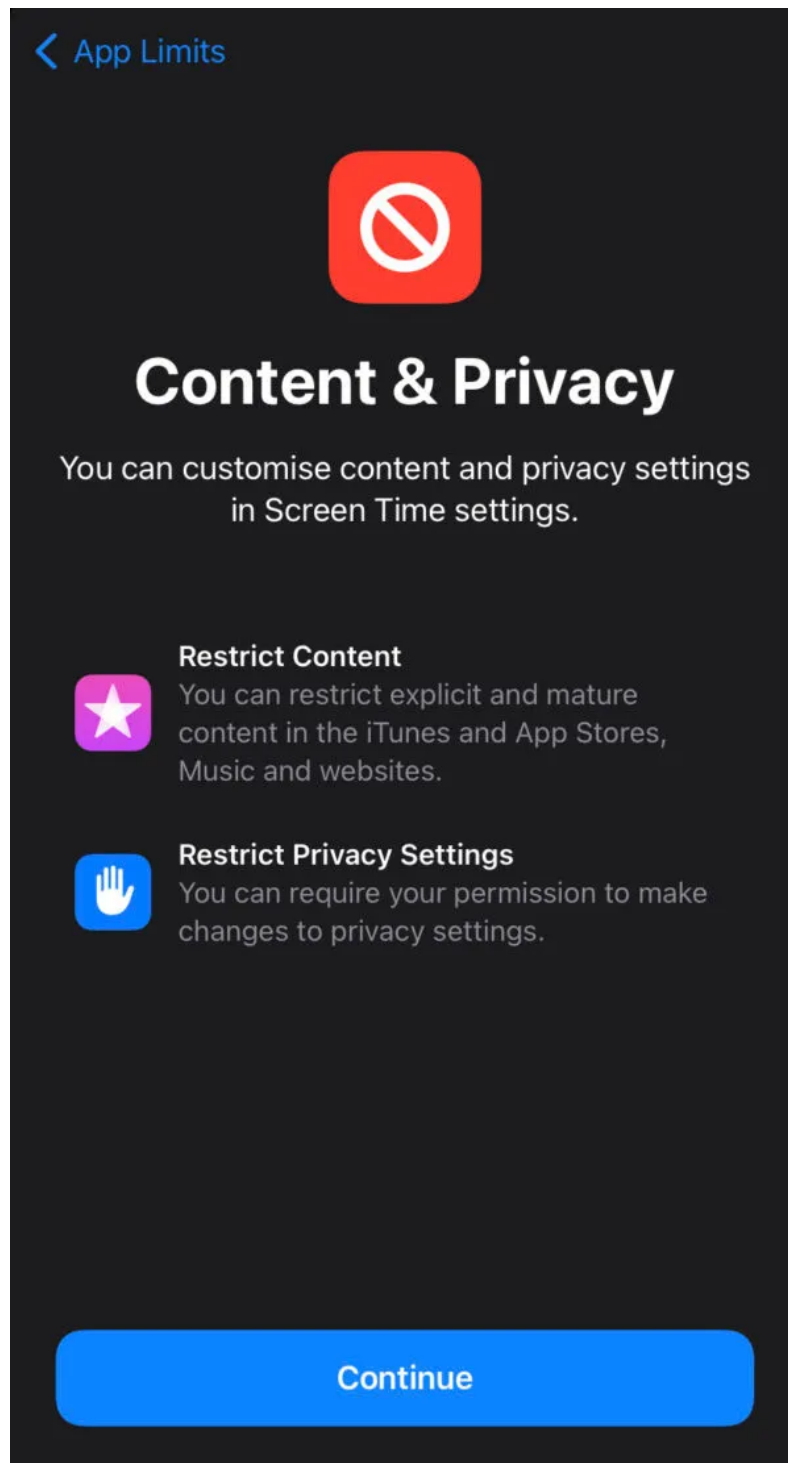
Set App Limit

[Not Now](#)

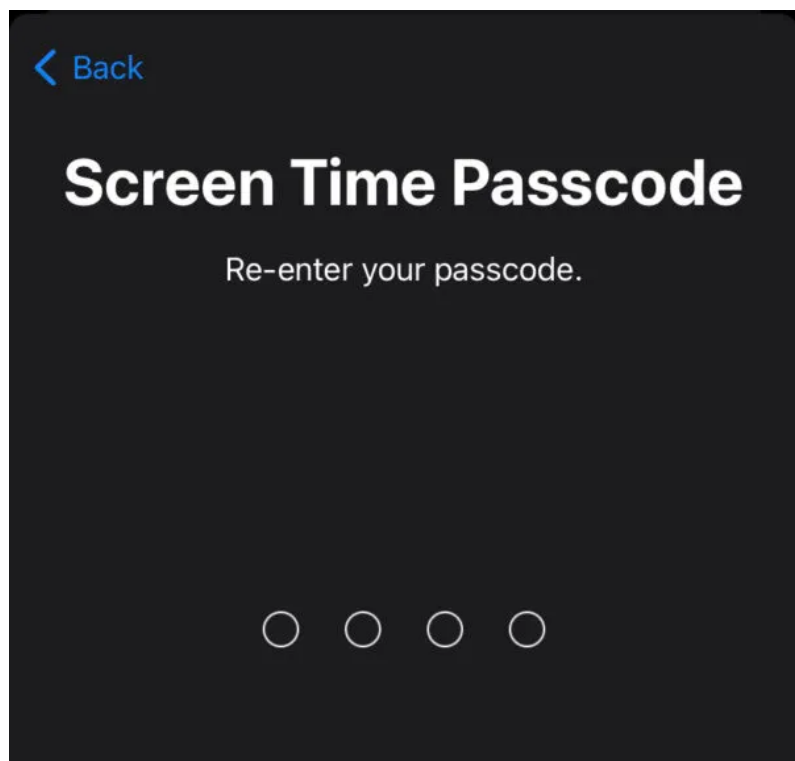
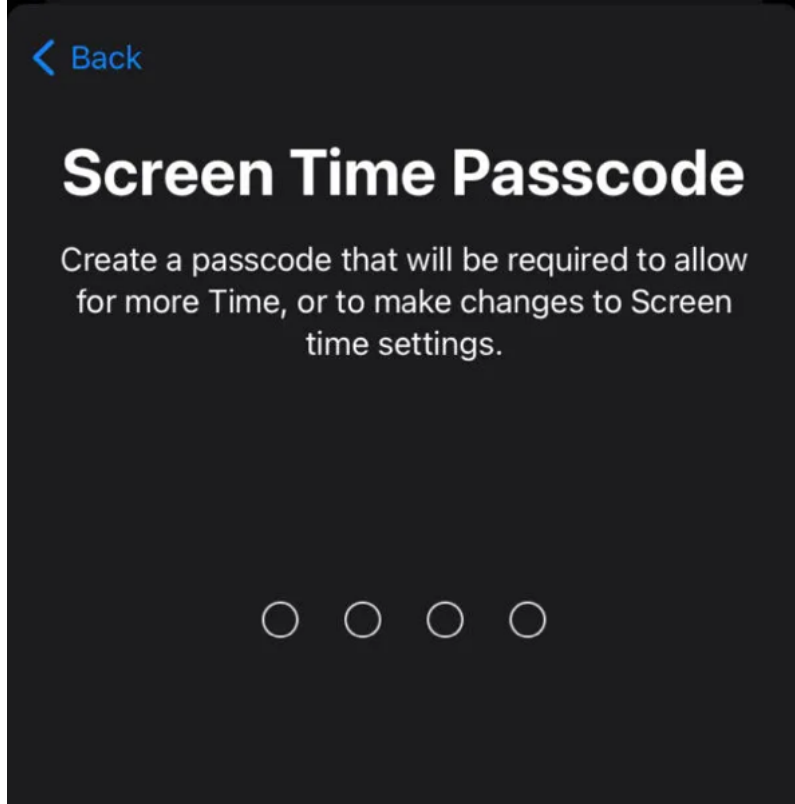
The final part (phew!) is the most important, as this allows you to block adult content over all connection channels or pre-approve a list of websites that can only be accessible. Also, to disable the camera if needs be, and choose the age range of applications to be made available, or to disallow the ability to download applications completely.

# Content & Privacy Restrictions

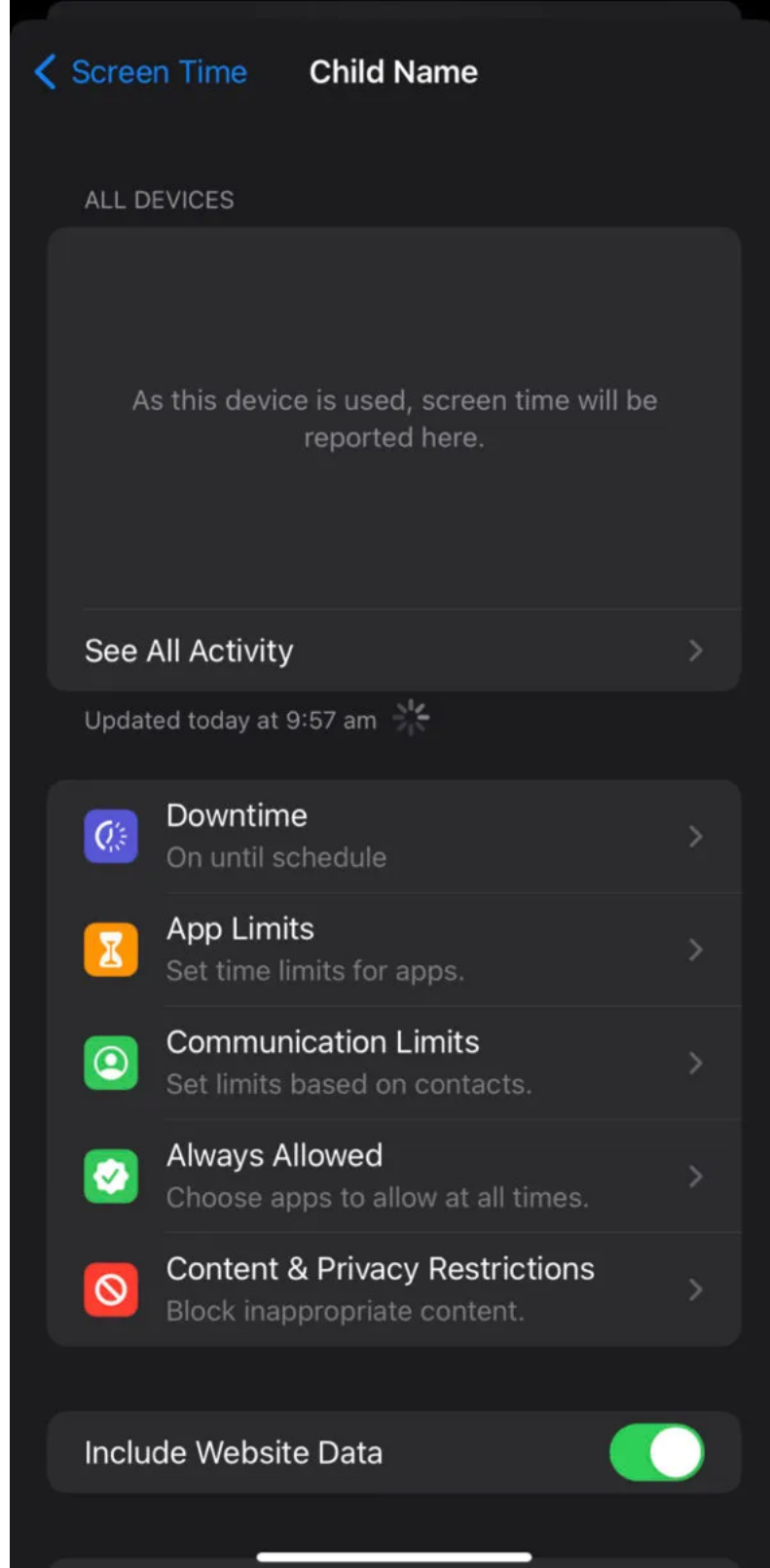
1a. Press 'continue'



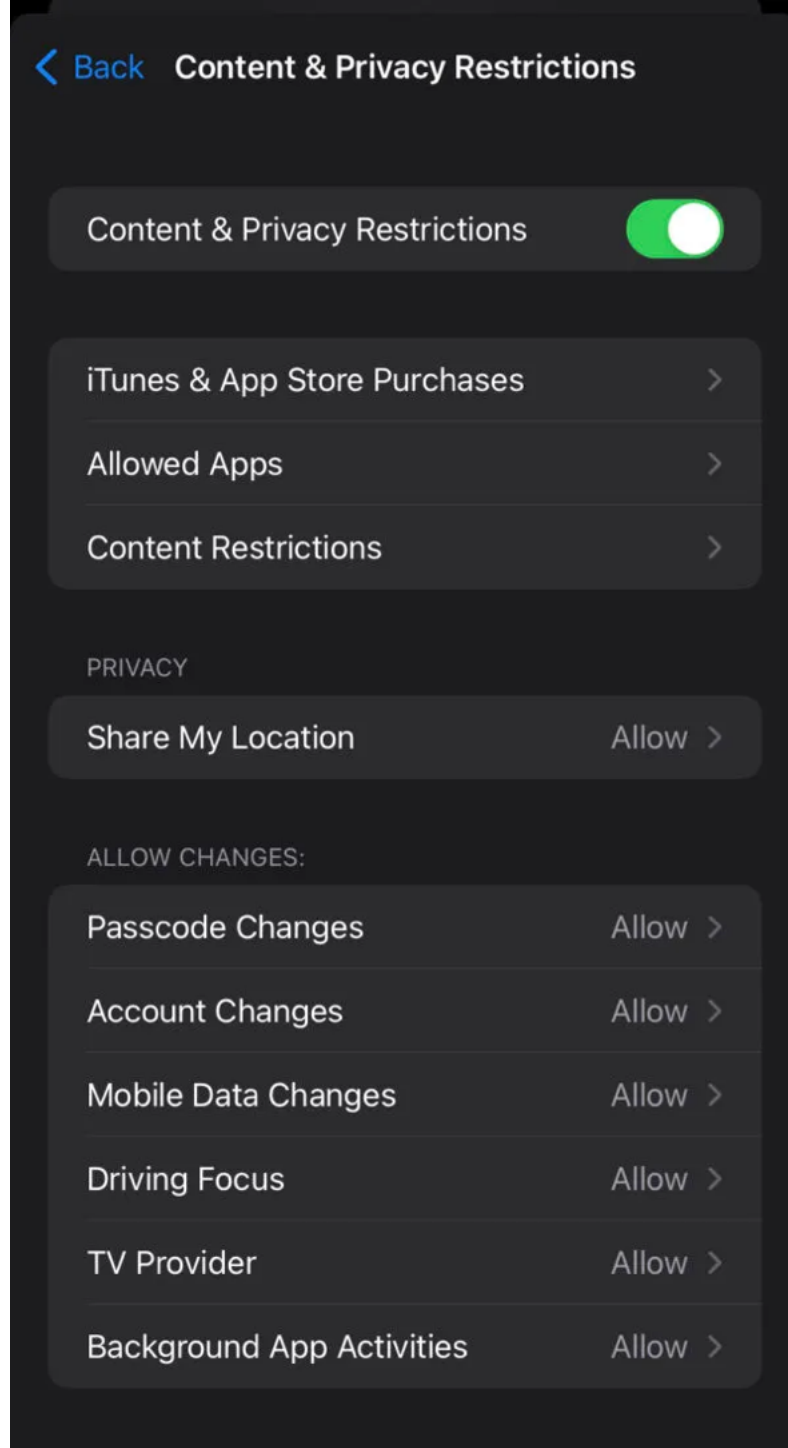
1b. Choose a Screen Time Passcode



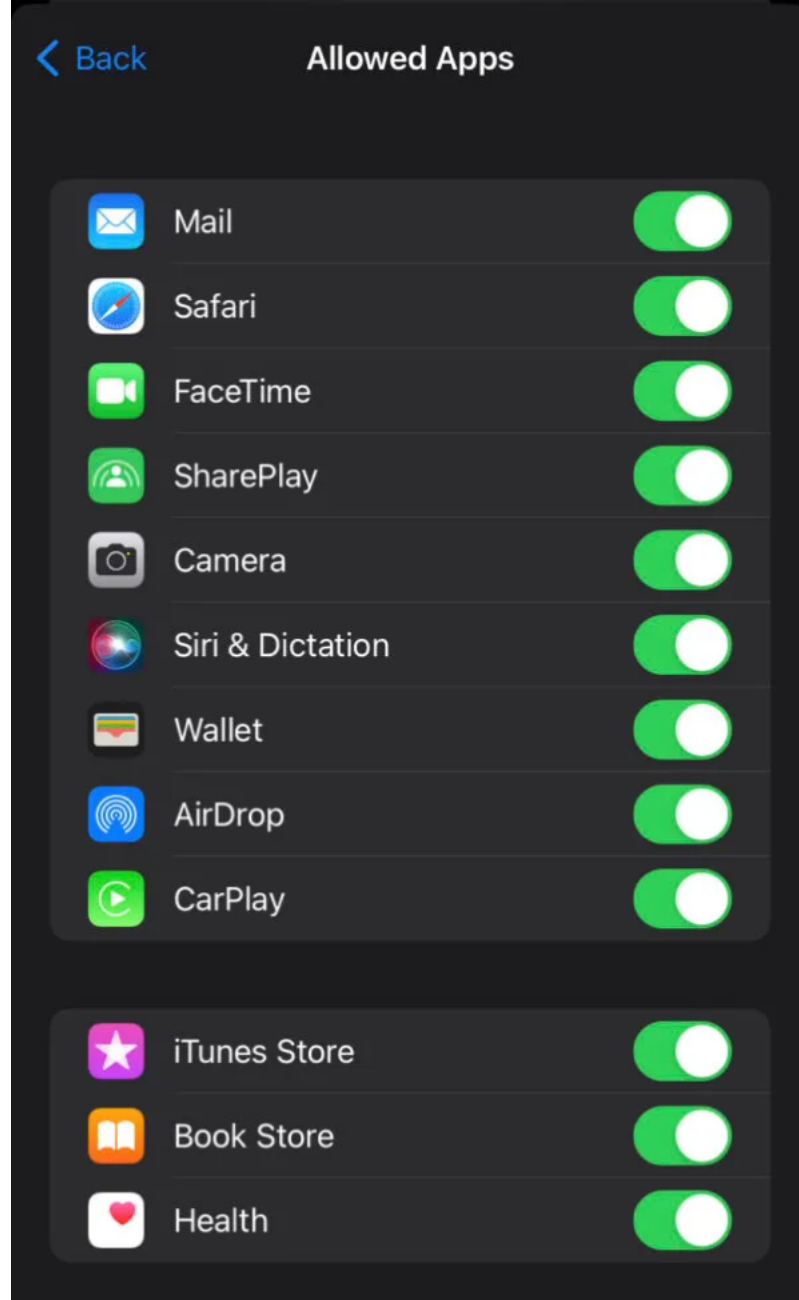
1c. Choose 'Content & Privacy Restrictions



1d. Turn on Content & Privacy Restrictions

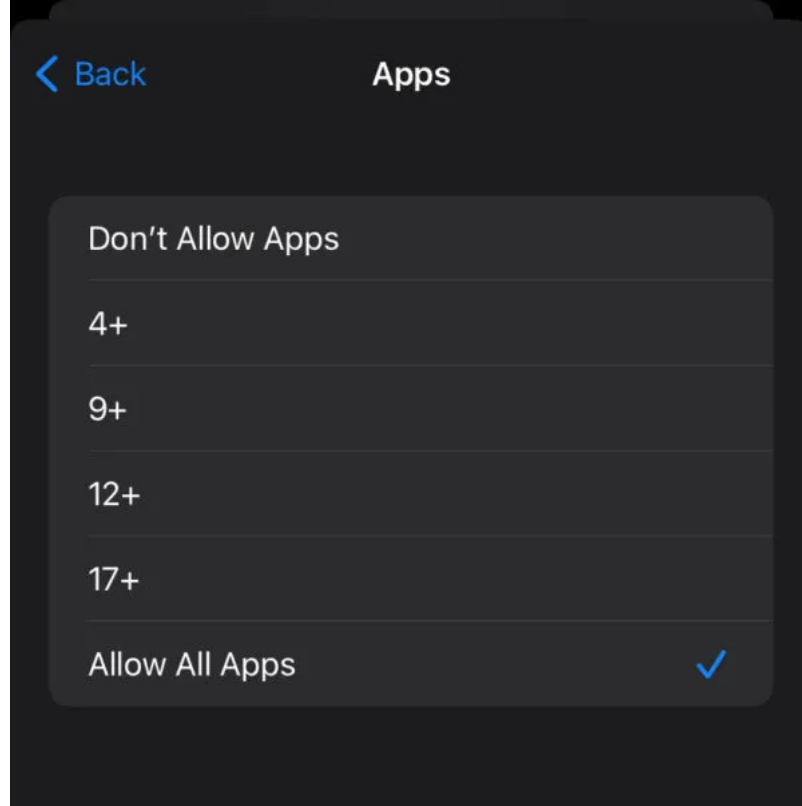


1e **Allowed Apps:** when you click into Allowed Apps, it beings a list of applications, with the ability to disable them. Lots of our customers ask about disabling the browser or camera for Safeguarding – this is the area to tailor this as you like.



1f. Press back in the top left to go back to the menu and then click 'Apps'. From here you can choose the age rating of applications allowed on the phone, or the ability to disallow applications completely.

**Note:** This works retrospectively too, so any applications already installed on the phone above the specified age will disappear from the Home Screen once selected. And will also return if the choice is reverted.

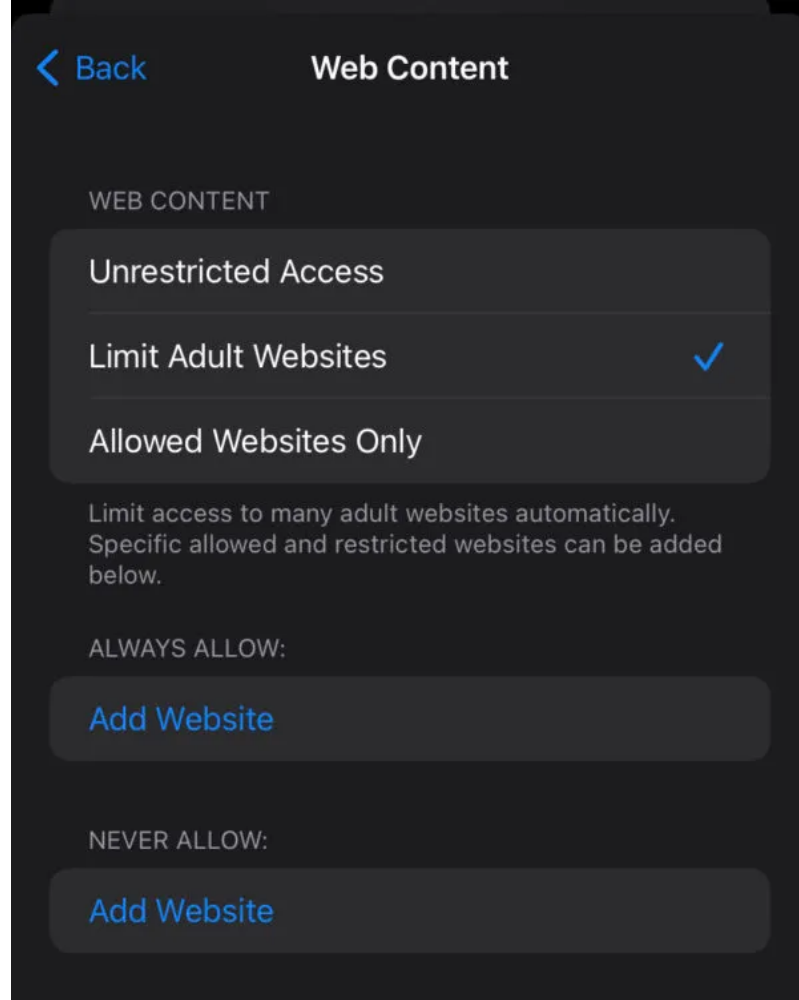


1g. Press back in the top left again to get back to the menu again and choose 'Web Content'

Phones can access data from many channels, including Wifi points, personal hotspots and VPN's, so from here you can either choose 'Limit Adult Websites' to block websites that are classified as pornographic, weapons, drugs, self-harm, religious material etc.

Alternatively, you can pre-approve a list of websites that the phone can access by choosing 'Allowed Websites Only' and creating an allow list.





## Over to you!

There are many other things to play with within here, so we would encourage you to familiarise yourself with what is available to tailor your Childs access to all things online in concert with the unique parental controls and monitoring capabilities available from your ParentShield portal <https://parentshield.co.uk/portal-guide/>

Now click on the image below to get a Child-Safe SIM card



**ParentShield**  
*The Child-Safe Mobile Network*

They get their **first mobile.**  
And you get **Peace of Mind.**

Child-Safe Sim Cards

