



South Tyneside Safeguarding Children Board

LATEST UPDATE: SNAP MAPS – A GUIDE FOR PARENTS

Snap maps is a new feature on Snapchat which enables children to share their location with friends (only if your child and a friend follow one another). They can see where friends are, who they are with and what's going on around them and in turn your child's friends can see where your child is, who they are with and what's going on around them.

WARNING

**BE AWARE THAT SNAP MAPS NEEDS TO BE USED RESPONSIBLY TO KEEP CHILDREN SAFE.
CHILDREN SHOULD NOT SHARE THEIR LOCATION WITH PEOPLE THEY DO NOT KNOW**

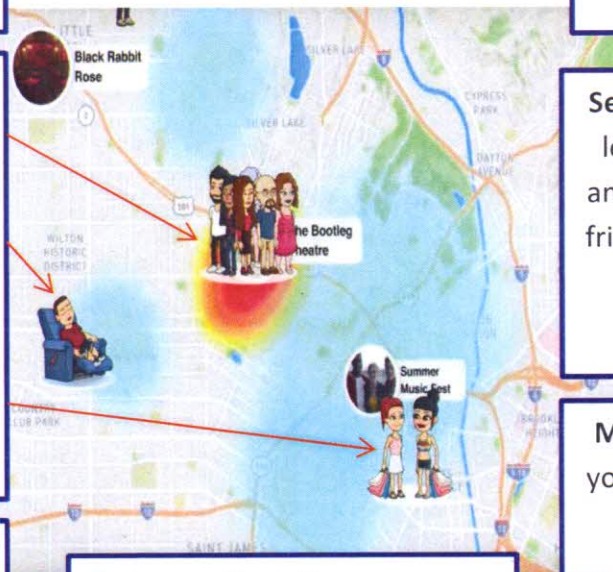
Only the friends **you choose to share your location with** will be able to see where you are

Your location on the Snap Map is only updated when you're using Snapchat

Snap Map shows **Snaps** and **Stories** about sporting events, celebrations, breaking news, and other events from all around the world and not just the UK.

Ghost Mode: you are the only person who can see your location on the map. Within Ghost Mode you can still see the locations of your friends but they will be unable to see you.

You can find your friends by looking for their **Bitmoji**. Sometimes, their Bitmojis might even show if they're driving, walking or more. When you're in **Ghost Mode**, your **Bitmoji** will hold up a **blue sign with a spooky spectre** 🕸️.



Select Friends: allows users to look through their friend list and then decide which of their friends they want to be able to view their location

My Friends: means that all of your contacts on Snapchat can see your location

Snaps you submit to **Our Story** can still show up on the Map, no matter what location setting you choose!

Delete or Block the user
When you block or delete a user that person is unable to view or comment on any of your posts. People aren't notified when you block them.

Report Snaps

Go to the **Snap** you want to report 📍
Press and hold on the Snap
Tap the button that appears in the bottom-left corner
Let us know why you want to report this Snap!

Heatmap shows the popularity of that location for uploading events:
Red = very popular,
Blue = less popular

Further Guidance for Parents:

Snapchat: http://www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/snapchat_guide.pdf
Instagram: http://www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/instagram_guide.pdf