Today Is Internet Safety Day

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With today being Internet Safety Day, parents are being urged to pay more attention to their children's use of the Internet.

  Kids are often in chatrooms and these rooms have their own lingo.

  Through the years, users of chatrooms, instant messaging and texting have developed shortcuts that most users know.

  For instance, if your child puts the acronym PIR in the box when they are chatting, it means "Parents In Room." If they are talking to someone and they put LMIRL, they are saying, "Let's Meet In Real Life." The best way to understand what your child is saying is to educate yourself so you know what is going on.

  For a complete list of the acronyms for your child's texting messages and their online chat shortcuts, go to http://www.netlingo.com/acronyms.php and click on "Acronyms and Text messaging list" at the top of the page.

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