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## RSIPF reminds citizens to stay safe online

The Royal Solomon Island Police Force (RSIPF) had installed a new outdoor banner outside the Honiara City Central Police Station aimed at increasing Cyber safety awareness and education in the country.

The banner has been donated by the Cyber Safety Pasifika Team of the Australian Federal Police Program aimed at increasing Cyber safety awareness in the Pacific.

The main purpose of the banner is to remind the citizens of Solomon Islands to remain safe whilst accessing the use of internet.

RSIPF Director of Learning and Development Superintendent Mary Bennett says, "As schools in Honiara have resumed and many students will have to access through internet to do their research and other school related matters, the police want to remind all internet users that Staying Safe online is everyone's responsibility."

Superintendent Bennett explains, "We have to be very cautious about using internet and here are some tips that you should consider:

- Don't post any personal information online;
- Think carefully before you post pictures and videos;
- Never give out your passwords;
- Don't befriend people you don't know;
- Don't meet up with people you've met online;
- Remember that not everyone online is who they say they are; and
- Respect other people's views, even if you don't agree."

"I want to appeal to any interested schools, churches or any community in and around Honiara if you would like to organize a free presentation to your school, church or community group please email [RSIPf-Cybersafety@rsipf.gov.sb](mailto:RSIPf-Cybersafety@rsipf.gov.sb)," says Superintendent Bennett.

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