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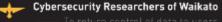
### Parent-Centric Privacy Framework for a Safe Cyber Environment for Children

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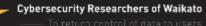
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## CROW – 1<sup>st</sup> Uni Cyber Security Lab in NZ



- First Cyber Security Lab in NZ, building on traditions of NZ Internet, Data Mining (Weka), networking group
- 20+ research students (Honours, PGDip, Master of Cyber Security, PhD)
- 30+ Alumni (now at Gallagher, Deloitte, INTERPOL, Cloud Security Alliance, LayerX, etc)
- 14 staff (6 academics, 8 staff)
- Funded by MBIE Endeavour Fund (STRATUS), Fulbright Commission, InternetNZ, Education NZ, and Office of the Privacy Commissioner
- Our Goal: To return control of data to users





## Who we work with:







# NZ Cyber Security Challenge

Creators of the New Zealand Cyber Security Challenge (now 3<sup>rd</sup> year; 267 participants)







# Our Privacy Good Research Fund Supported Project

# Parent-Centric Privacy Framework for a Safe Cyber Environment for Children







# **Our Sponsors**



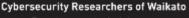






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# **Our Project Goal**



- Assist parents in preventing cyber threats and dangers of privacy illiteracy
- Help children preserve their Internet privacy through parent-assisted tools
- Provide parents with best practice tools/knowledge to maintain a safe cyber environment
- Promote initiatives & campaigns related to security and privacy awareness





# SCKid – An Overview

Sckid Safe Cyber Kid Framework

- A parent-centric framework designed for parents (incl. guardians and teachers) to preserve and raise awareness of their child's privacy
- Combination of technological tools, knowledge base, and administrative policies to improve a safe cyber environment









# **Our Target Groups**



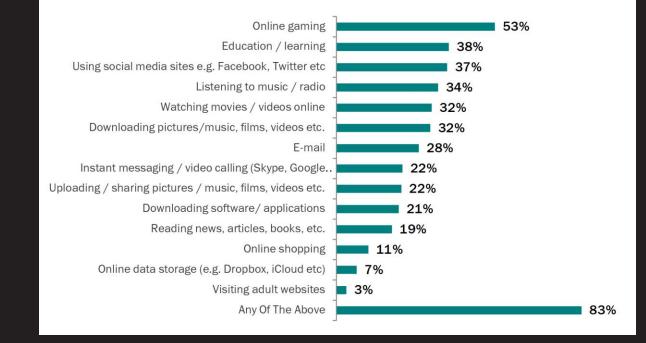








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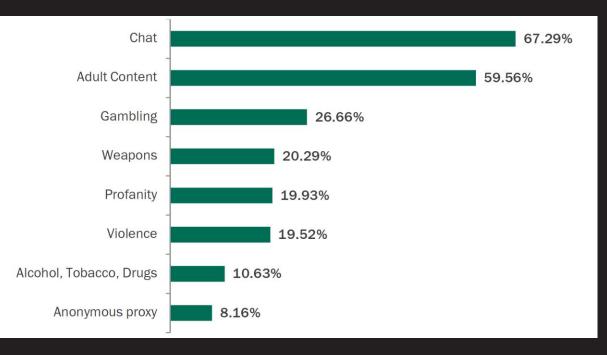
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# **Inappropriate contents**





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# **Internet Threats to Children**



- Privacy violations
- Children's posts affecting their lives
- Online scams
- Inappropriate contents
- Cyber bullying
- Pedophiles (cyberpredators, cyberstalkers)
- Malicious software (aka malware)
   And many more...







### **Online Scams**





References: http://www.stuff.co.nz/business/money/75536670/New-Zealanders-lose-12m-to-scams http://www.newshub.co.nz/sport/ticket-scam-ends-young-fans-rugby-world-cup-dream-2015091013



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# **Privacy Violations**





- Data monitored/collected by
   Internet-connected services/apps
- Online scams (incl. phishing)
- Parental-control software
- Malware (e.g. spyware, adware)
- Children's privacy illiteracy





# **Cyber Bullying**



- Nearly 43% of kids have been cyber bullied
- 25% of them have experienced cyber bullying more than once
- 10% of cyber bullying victims will inform a parent of their abuse
- Cyber bullying victims are 2-9 times more likely to consider committing suicide



Reference: NoBullying.com, https://nobullying.com/facts-about-cyber-bullying/, 25/10/16 (Accessed 10/11/16)







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Family of 12-year-old who died suddenly warn of the dangers of online bullying

BEVAN HURLEY Last updated 08:15, March 13 2016



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Palmerston North intermediate student Kyana Vergara died suddenly in February.

The family of a 12-year-old girl who died in a suspected suicide have spoken out about the dangers of online bullying.

Kyana Vergara died suddenly at her Palmerston North home on January 11. Her death is the subject of a coroner's inquiry.

Sister Aundrea Denoon described Kyana as having a "heart of gold".

"She had so much to live for, she wanted to be a social worker and had an amazing voice once she got over her shyness, we were meant to be at her graduation and dance and give her away at her wedding and most of all she was meant to have a family of her own.



#### Reference:

http://www.stuff.co.nz/national/77741208/f amily-of-12yearold-who-died-suddenlywarn-of-the-dangers-of-online-bullying



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### **Relate work – Parental Control**



- Only 22% of parents use parental control solutions
   (KASPERSKY LAB, 2015)
- Most parental control tools strictly use hard-control which can violate children's privacy
- Yet another open question: How can we balance privacy and safety/security?







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And many more...

### KidLogger, Parental Control App for Android, Windows, Mac What KidLogger can do

- Web history monitor •
- Time tracking •

Example –

- Record keystrokes (i.e. keylogger) •
- Remote screenshots •
- Record used files/folders •
- Track used apps •
- Voice monitoring •
- Monitor messengers (e.g. Facebook, WhatsApp, etc) •
- Record call voice (mobile version) •
- Remotely view all photos created with camera (mobile ver.) •

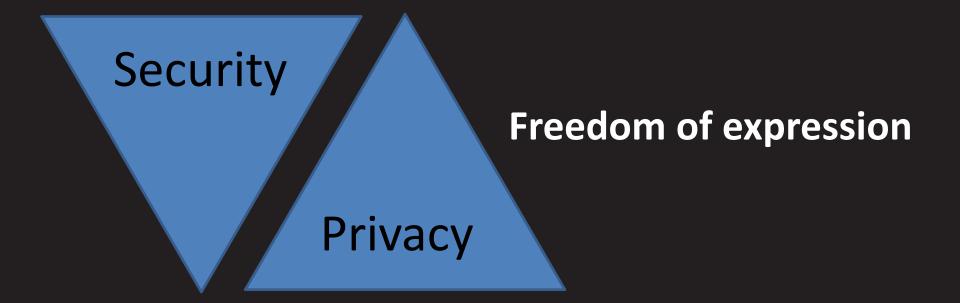






### **Balance between security & privacy for kids**









### **Related Acts**



- Children's Online Privacy Protection Act 1998 (US)
  - Protect privacy of children under 13
  - Place parents in control over children's information collected by operators
- Privacy Act 1993 (NZ)
  - Define 12 privacy principles
- Harmful Digital Communications Act 2015 (NZ)
  - Help victims affected by harmful digital communications (e.g. cyberbully)
  - Penalise perpetrators causing harmful digital communications





### **Requirements of the SCKid Framework**













# **Implemented SCKid Prototype**



Mobile Device Management

Empower parents & children to secure websites and mobile applications



Web-based Privacy Management

Enable parents to guard children's mobile and social network usage



**Knowledge-base** 

Educate children & parents about privacy preservation and encourage communication







Android app (compatible with Android 4.4+)

- Web blocking (incl. requestable access)
- App blocking
- Panic button
- Context-aware security (only Proof-of-Concept)







# SCKid Prototype – Web App

Web app (based on Laravel, a PHP MVC framework, and Wordpress)

- Social network logging and feedback (supporting Facebook & Twitter)
- Mobile device logging (SMS, call, GPS)
- Web access control (based on OpenDNS)
- Mobile app control (blocking/unblocking apps)
- Knowledge-base (articles about online privacy, security, and safety)





# Publication

 Sivadon Chaisiri, and Ryan Ko, "From Reactionary to Proactive Security: Context-Aware Security Policy Management and Optimization Under Uncertainty" in *Proceedings of 15th IEEE International Conference on Trust, Security and Privacy in Computing and Communications* (IEEE TrustCom-16), Tianjin, China, 23-26 August, 2016.





# **Screenshots of SCKid Prototype**









- PARENTAL CONTROLS FOR COMPUTERS AND MOBILE -



### Website: sckid.org







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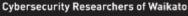
Parental controls are special features used on television, computers, and mobile devices (e.g. cellphones and tablets) to control children's access to harmful and offensive material. They can also be used to restrict children's access to a number of digital applications or media based on the time spent on the devices or a specific time. Parental controls on mobile phones can also be used to track the location of the children at any given time.

#### WHY USE PARENTAL CONTROLS

The use of parental controls on devices is critical to ensure children's experiences on the internet are safe, enjoyable and a positive learning environment. Parents can use parental controls for a number of different reasons, e.g. protecting children from harmful material on the Internet (e.g. using a browser to access pornographic websites), enforcing a time to stop using mobile applications such as Facebook or Instagram, ensuring children can only play games and use applications that are child-friendly, tracking the child's location if they are lost on the way home, seeing how much time the children spend on Facebook and other social media sites, among others.

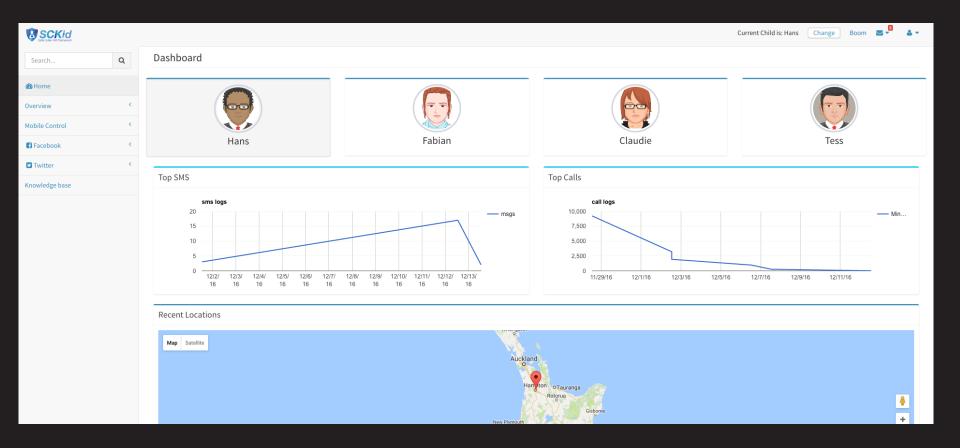
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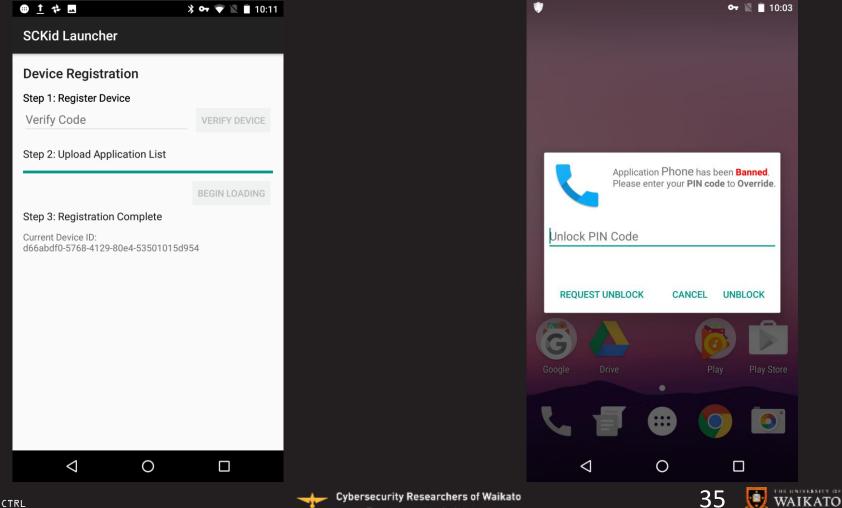




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