Online Safeguarding – How can I check my child is safe on social media?

The following is a visual guide covering some of the settings you can check and apply on popular devices such as tablets and smart phones. All of these images have been taken from an Android smartphone, on other tablets the appearance may change slightly but the locations are generally the same.

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Facebook

Tap this button on the home page of the app to bring up the menu you can see here then scroll down to

Privacy Shortcuts

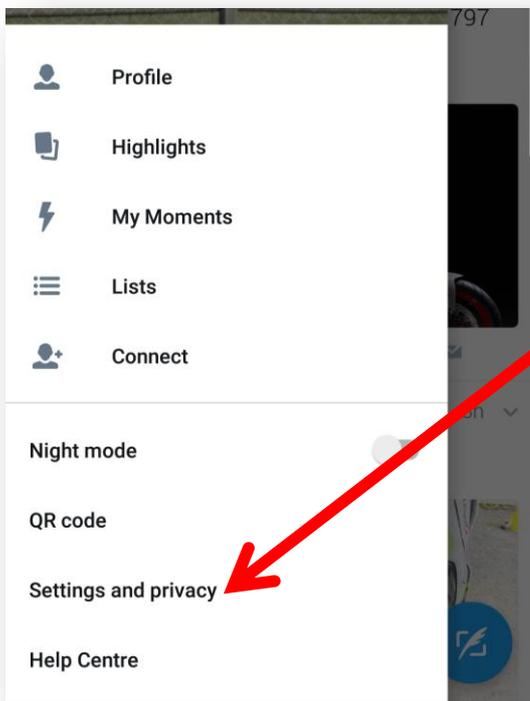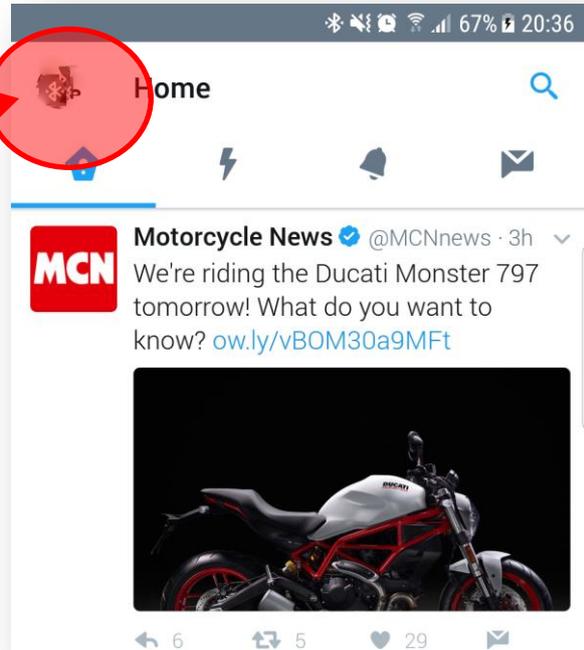These sections should be set to just "Friends" and not "Friends of Friends" for maximum privacy

More privacy options and settings can also be found here

Twitter

On the home screen tap the profile photo in the top right hand corner.

Home

Motorcycle News @MCNnews · 3h
We're riding the Ducati Monster 797 tomorrow! What do you want to know? ow.ly/vBOM30a9MFt

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Profile

Highlights

My Moments

Lists

Connect

Night mode

QR code

Settings and privacy

Help Centre

Tap on settings and privacy

One option will say "Privacy and safety"

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Privacy

Protect my Tweets
Only current followers and people you approve in the future will be able to see your Tweets

Receive messages from anyone
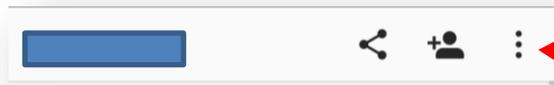You will be able to receive Direct Messages from any Twitter user, even if you do not follow them.

The options here can be used to control who can sent messages to the account along with who can see the tweets sent from it

Send/receive read receipts
When someone sends you a message, people in the conversation will know when you have seen it. If you turn off this setting, you will not be able to see read receipts from other people. Learn more

Who can tag me in photos
Only people I follow

Let others find me by my email address
People who have your email address will be able to connect with you on Twitter.
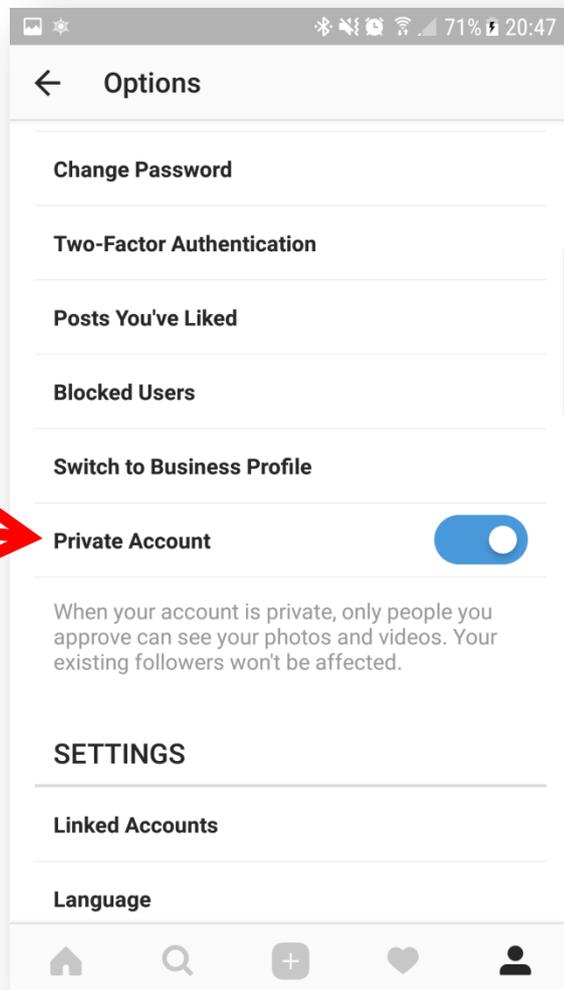
Instagram

The profile on the bottom right corner will bring up the profile
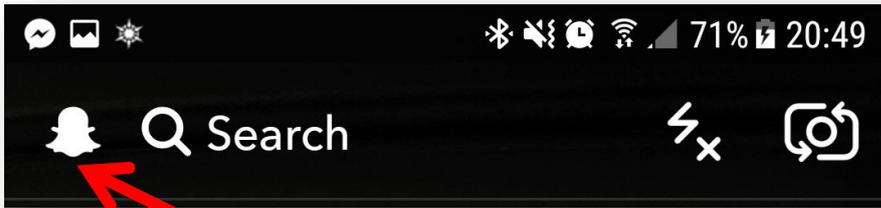
The 3 vertical dots (or a cog for iPhone) will bring up the settings menu

Private Account can then be turned on to prevent strangers viewing content

Options

Change Password

Two-Factor Authentication

Posts You've Liked

Blocked Users

Switch to Business Profile

Private Account

When your account is private, only people you approve can see your photos and videos. Your existing followers won't be affected.

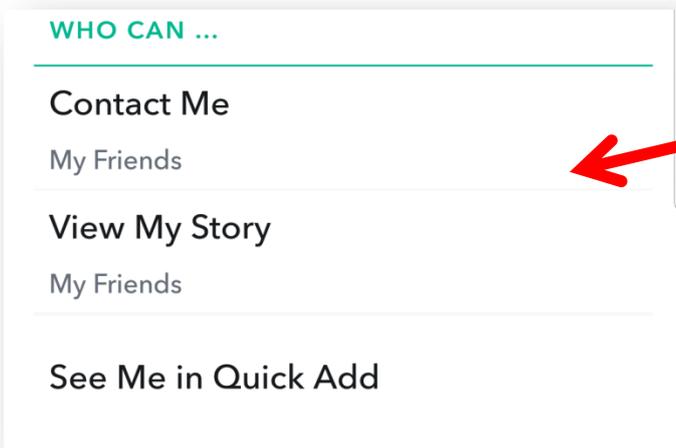## SETTINGS

Linked Accounts

Language

Snapchat

Tap on the Snapchat icon to bring up the user profile

Then the red cog for the settings menu

Scroll down to the section called "Who can" and ensure that "My Friends" is selected for both.

Content can easily be erased off the device further down this menu under Account Actions