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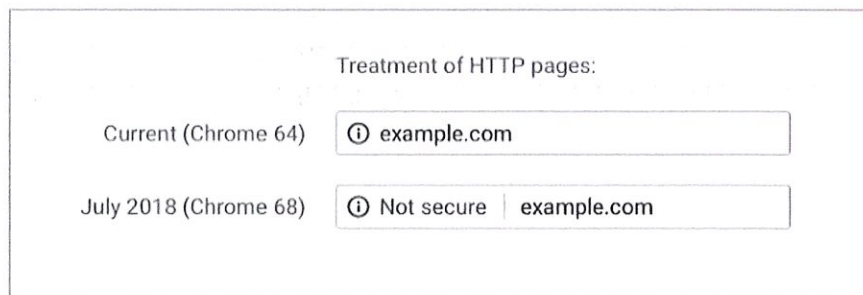
29th June 2018

Re: Important security information regarding your school website

Hello,

As you may be aware Google are making changes to the way they display information relating to website security in their upcoming Chrome browser update.

From this summer any website that does not have a security certificate attached (commonly known as an SSL certificate) will have a 'Not secure' message display in the address bar when accessing the website through Google Chrome.



Example of the Google Chrome message

What does this mean for my school website?

At eSchools we take the security of your website very seriously and as such an SSL certificate is in place on your eSchools website domain (i.e. schoolname.eSchools.co.uk). If this is the address you are using to access or promote your website, you will not need to take any further action.

However if your school is using a DfE allocated domain (i.e. www.school.area.sch.uk) or your own personalised domain (schoolname.co.uk) to access your website, you will not have a security certificate in place. As such, any visitors to your website using Google Chrome will see a 'Not secure' on their page.

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What do I do now?

We appreciate to prevent visitors to your website experiencing this you will likely wish to have a security certificate applied to your own domain. To do so please confirm using one of the methods below **before 13th July 2018**:

Option 1: Email support@eschools.co.uk with the subject line 'SSL - Your school name + postcode' confirming you would like an SSL certificate added.

Option 2: Login to your eSchools website editor, view the banner at the top of the screen titled 'SSL update' and follow the on-screen instructions.

As there is a fee attached to the purchase of the SSL certificate, as well as the development resources required, **a small cost of £95+VAT per annum will need to be applied**. Once the SSL has been added to your domain an invoice will be generated and sent out by email.

In order for us to maximise efficiency and therefore reduce costs we will need to apply the SSL's in batches of schools rather than on individual basis. As such if you would like an SSL applied to your website domain for the offered price, **please confirm no later than 13th July 2018**.

Any requests for the implementation of an SSL certificate after this date will be subject to a greater cost due to the development resources required.

A copy of this letter can also be found within your eSchools website editor. If you have any queries please contact our support team using the details below.

Many thanks,

eSchools team

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