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CHULA VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER ARRESTED BY INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN TASK FORCE

(San Diego) San Diego Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (SDICAC) investigators arrested John Kinloch for posing as a child online, for possession of child pornography and for luring children online. Kinloch is a 1st grade teacher at Wolf Canyon Elementary School in Chula Vista. Pursuant to his arrest, Kinloch was placed on administrative leave by school officials.

The San Diego ICAC Task Force received Cybertips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). Based on the Cybertips, investigators identified what appeared to be juveniles exposing themselves during live one-to-one webcam interactions. The investigation revealed several incidents where these exchanges took place. Further investigation revealed that Kinloch had, in fact, created profiles as young girls on "MeetMe," formally known as MyYearbook. While posing as a young girl, Kinloch solicited young boys to send their naked photographs to him.

On Friday, November 30th, the San Diego ICAC Task Force served a search warrant on Kinloch's residence. Based on the investigation, Kinloch was arrested and booked into county jail for various charges related to child pornography.

Anyone with information concerning this case is asked to contact the San Diego Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force at (858) 715-7100, or San Diego County Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477. If you suspect your child may have been contacted online by Kinloch, contact SD ICAC immediately.

The San Diego Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force suggests parents take the following precautions:

- Talk to your children about what is appropriate to post on the Internet.
- Monitor your children's usage of all electronic devices which connect to the Internet.
- Keep Internet connected equipment in an open, common room.
- Limit the time your children are using electronic devices.
- Keep electronic devices in the parents room at night to charge.
 - This allows parents to monitor how their children are using their devices.

Lieutenant Smith will be available for interviews.

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