SHERBORNE GIRLS CASE STUDY

BACKGROUND

Sherborne Girls is an independent boarding and day school for ages 11 to 18. As an organisation within the Education sector, the IT Team were required to enable its students and teachers to make use of the multitude of learning methods and use the web and email as tools for communication and collaboration in a safe and secure way.

APPROACH

Being an independent school, Sherborne Girls had a pressing need to ensure that its students' data and personal information was kept safe whilst operating a combination of remote and hybrid learning. Having identified a web security and CASB solution, Threat Protect were able to to support Sherborne Girls through the onboarding process, managing the conversations with the vendor and acting as an extension of the IT Team.

With Web and CASB solutions in place, Threat Protect positioned and facilitated a comprehensive Penetration Test of Sherborne Girls' IT network to identify any remaining vulnerabilities and establish its baseline level of security posture. Following the results of the Penetration Test, Threat Protect assisted Sherborne Girls with its DMARC configuration, preventing its domain from exact spoofing attacks.

CONCLUSION

As a result of the actions taken so far, Sherborne Girls has an enhanced security posture. By configuring its DMARC correctly, the students, teachers and other stakeholders at the school are better protected against the threat of exact domain spoofing and have seen a significant reduction in the number of phishing emails received. Threat Protect is continuing to work with Sherborne Girls, using its Cybersecurity Resilience Assessment to provide a systematic approach to protecting against cyber risks.

"The way in which Teachers teach and students learn is quickly evolving. As a result we need to stay ahead of the game and find a way to enable our teachers and students to facilitate effective learning methods. It was clear that we needed to enhance our security which Threat Protect helped make a simple and stress-free process, identifying and resolving a number of areas where we could improve our security posture, enabling our teachers and students to operate in a secure environment."

Tim Farr, Director of IT - Sherborne Girls

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