



POLICY FOR PREVENTING RADICALISATION AND EXTREMISM

OVERVIEW

This school takes seriously its duty contained in the Counter Terrorism and Security Act (2015), to prevent pupils and those working in school from being radicalised or drawn into extremism. We will follow the advice contained within the new statutory guidance on the legal duty set out in the 'Prevent Duty Guidance: For England and Wales (2015)' in conjunction with the other duties which we already have for keeping pupils safe.

We believe it is essential that school staff are able to identify those who may be vulnerable to radicalisation or being influenced by extremist views, and then to know what to do when they are identified.

We understand that radicalisation is 'a process by which an individual or group comes to adopt increasingly extreme political, social, or religious ideals and aspirations that reject or undermine the status quo or reject and/or undermine contemporary ideas and expressions of freedom of choice.' While extremism is best described as the holding of political or religious views.

OBJECTIVES

1. To prevent pupils and those working in school from being radicalised and drawn into extremism
2. To take appropriate action to protect children from harm.
3. To be alert to harmful behaviour by other adults.
4. To ensure that pupils use the internet safely and to encourage parents to be alert and vigilant to the dangers their children might face.
5. To ensure pupils are prepared for life in modern Britain by the active promotion of and respect of British Values.
6. To ensure that staff and pupils report any concerns to the headteacher immediately.
7. To build strong links with the appropriate outside agencies so that where the school needs specialist help and support it will be activated promptly.

STRATEGIES

1. To complete the LA Prevent Self Assessment annually to measure school's compliance with standards.
2. To continue to promote community cohesion and teach children fundamental British values.
3. To work in partnership with parents to prevent children from being radicalised and drawn into extremism
4. To ensure that all staff are alert to recognise signs that pupils are in danger of being radicalised and drawn into extremism
5. To to teach a broad and balanced curriculum which promotes the spiritual, moral, cultural, mental and physical development of pupils and to prepare them for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of life.
6. To ensure that through teaching pupils about the importance of keeping safe that they are alerted to those who might wish to do them harm by radicalising them or drawing them into extremism.
7. By raising awareness of safe use of the internet both in school and at home that pupils are alerted to those who would wish to harm them.
8. To provide awareness raising training for the staff so that they use this policy appropriately.



9. To refer any concerns at the earliest opportunity and to protect those concerned.

REPORTING

School staff will report any incidents of the following:

1. Children or staff having extremist political or religious views
2. Children or staff disclosing that they have been exposed to:
Extremist views and materials
Online extremist material
Extremist social networking sites.
3. Being approached by known extremists in the local community
4. Knowing of anyone who has voiced extremist views and opinions, anti- British values or anti-Western views.
5. Knowing of anyone within the school community who is in possession of extremist materials.
6. Knowing of anyone within the school community who is/has attempted to impose extremist views on others.
7. Knowing of anyone within the school community who is committing prejudice-related attacks against others.

School will make a referral to the Channel Panel where there are concerns that a child or adult may be at risk of being radicalised or where we have concerns about involvement of a child or adult in extremist activity.

Contacts

MASH (Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub) 0161 770 3790

Local Authority Prevent Lead – Bruce Penhale 0161 770 4196

Greater Manchester Police Prevent Officer – Dave Bull 0161 856 8912

OUTCOMES

All in this school will work in partnership with parents and the wider community to prevent pupils from being radicalised or drawn into extremism. The head teacher and Governing Body will assess the impact of this policy and monitor its operation. It should be viewed in conjunction with the school's other policies especially the British Values Policy, Safe Use of The Internet policy, Safeguarding Policy; Race and Equality Policy, Equal Opportunities Policy, Citizenship Policy and Behaviour Policy.

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