



Parent Pamphlet

Portsmouth and Winchester Diocesan Academies Trust

Where to go for more information

Contact the academy

If you have any questions or concerns about the Prevent strategy and what it means for your child, please do not hesitate to contact the academy:

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See our policies including:

Child Protection

Visitors and Visiting Speakers

Tackling Extremism and Radicalisation

Freedom of Expression

Lettings

Online Safety (E Safety)

<https://www.stblasiusacademy.co.uk/policies>

External sources

The following sources may also be useful for further information:

Revised prevent duty guidance for England and Wales, HM Government (Adobe pdf file)

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/445977/3799_Revised_Prevent_Duty_Guidance_England_Wales_V2-Interactive.pdf

The Prevent duty: advice for schools and childcare providers, GOV.UK – DfE (Adobe pdf file)

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/439598/prevent-duty-departmental-advice-v6.pdf

What is Prevent? Let's Talk About It

<http://www.ltai.info/what-is-prevent/>

The Prevent strategy

St Blasius Shanklin C of E Primary Academy



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What is the Prevent strategy?

Prevent is a government strategy designed to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorist or extremist causes.

The Prevent strategy covers all types of terrorism and extremism, including political and religious extremism.

How does the Prevent strategy apply to schools?

From July 2015 all schools and academies (as well as other organisations) have a duty to safeguard children from radicalisation and extremism.

This means schools and academies have a responsibility to protect children from extremist and violent views, in the same way we protect them from drugs or gang violence.

Importantly, schools and academies can provide a safe place for pupils to discuss these issues so that they better understand how to protect themselves.

KEY TERMS

Extremism – vocal or active opposition to fundamental British values such as democracy, the rule of law and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs

Ideology – a set of beliefs

Terrorism – an action that endangers or causes serious violence to a person/people, causes serious damage to property, or seriously interferes or disrupts an electronic system, and is intended to advance a political, religious or ideological cause

Radicalisation – the process by which a person comes to support extremism and terrorism

What does this mean in practice?

Different schools and academies will carry out the Prevent duty in different ways, depending on the age of the children and the needs of the community.

Many of the things we already do in the academy to help children become positive, happy members of society also contribute to the Prevent strategy.

Frequently Asked Questions

How does Prevent relate to British values?

Schools and academies have been required to promote British values since 2014, and this will continue to be part of the response to the Prevent strategy.

British values include:

- Democracy
- The rule of law
- Individual liberty and mutual respect
- Tolerance of different faiths and beliefs

Isn't my child too young to learn about extremism?

The Prevent strategy is not just about discussing extremism itself, which may not be appropriate for younger children. It is also about teaching children values such as tolerance and mutual respect.

Schools and academies should make sure any discussions are suitable for the age and maturity of the children involved.

Is extremism really a risk in our area?

Extremism can take many forms, including political, religious and ideological extremism. Some of these may be a bigger threat in our area than others. The academy undertakes a risk assessment that is specific to our area.

The intention is to give children the skills to protect them from any extremist views they may encounter, now or later in their lives.