

Gainsborough Primary & Nursery School Staying Safe Guide

Radicalisation & Extremism

Schools have a duty to protect children and young people against the messages of all violent extremism including, but not restricted to, those linked to Islamist ideology, or to Far Right/Neo Nazi/White Supremacist ideology, Irish Nationalist and Loyalist paramilitary groups, and extremist Animal Rights movements.

The current threat from terrorism in the United Kingdom may include the exploitation of vulnerable people and children, to involve them in terrorism or in activity in support of terrorism.

The normalisation of extreme views may also make children and young people vulnerable to future manipulation and exploitation.

Keeping children safe from these risks is a safeguarding matter and should be approached in the same way as safeguarding children from other risks. Speak to the school Designated Safeguarding Lead if you need further advice or have any concerns.

What Is Prevent?

Prevent aims to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism. The Prevent Duty is a HM Government document (revised in July 2015) that provides guidance to multiple agencies on how to "prevent people being drawn into terrorism." The DFE also provided specific guidance for schools in June 2015.

Prevent Duty Guidance: for England and Wales Guidance for specified authorities in England and Wales on the duty in the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015 to have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism.



What Is Channel?

Channel provides support across the country to those who may be vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism by: identifying individuals at risk, assessing the nature and extent of the risk and developing support plans for individuals.

Possible signs of Radicalisation

- Views becoming increasingly extreme regarding another section of society or government policy
- Becoming increasingly intolerant of more moderate views
- Expressing a desire or intent to take part in or support extremist activity
- Observed downloading, viewing or sharing extremist propaganda from the web
- Becoming withdrawn or focused on one ideology
- Change in appearance, or isolation from friends, family or social group

The 2 key documents are shown here – The Prevent Duty Guidance for England & Wales was revised in July 2015 (left) and The Prevent Duty guidance specifically for schools (right) was issued in June 2015.



WORKING TOGETHER TO PREVENT TERRORISM

WHAT IS LET'S TALK ABOUT IT?

Let's Talk About It is an initiative designed to provide practical help and guidance in order to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism.

By highlighting issues and initiating discussions around the potential threats we face as a community, the aim is to create a greater understanding and wider awareness.

Go to www.ltai.info for further information – it is very easy to navigate, clear and simple website full of useful information including sections on "Prevent," "Channel," "Spot the Signs," "Travel Safely" and "Safe Giving." This website is really worth looking at in order to develop awareness.