

Stretton Handley Church of England Primary School

Prevent Strategy

Stretton Handley Church of England Primary School is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all pupils. We recognise that safeguarding against radicalisation is no different from safeguarding against any other vulnerability.

All staff are expected to uphold and promote the fundamental principles of British Values. These include democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect, and tolerance towards those with different faiths and beliefs.

On the 1st July 2015, the Prevent duty (Section 26) of the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015 came into force. This duty places the responsibility on local authorities to have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism.

As part of our commitment to safeguarding and child protection, we fully support the government's Prevent Strategy, and take guidance to help build resilience to extremism.

Prevent is about safeguarding people and communities from the threat of terrorism. Prevent is one of the four elements of CONTEST - the government's Counter-Terrorism Strategy which aims to stop terrorism and radicalisation.

As a school, we are tasked by the government to be watchful and to make our children aware of the dangers. Of course, we do this in sensitive and ageappropriate ways. These range from discussions about recent news events, to highlighting the problems with violent computer games (Call of Duty, Grand Theft Auto, etc.) - and importantly, celebrating the differences within our culture, rather than stigmatising them.

What is the Prevent Strategy?

The Prevent Strategy is a government strategy designed to stop people becoming terrorists, supporting terrorism, fundamentalism or extremist behaviours.

The Prevent Strategy:

- responds to the ideological challenge we face from terrorism and aspects of extremism, and the threat we face from those who promote these views;
- provides practical help to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism and ensure they are given appropriate advice and support;
- works with a wide range of sectors including education, criminal justice, faith, charities, online and health.

Our Safeguarding Lead is also our Prevent Lead. Our Safeguarding Team have completed their CHANNEL and Prevent (Counter-Terrorism) training. School staff receive yearly safeguarding training, and this includes Prevent.

Please click below for a link to the Prevent Duty for Schools: www.gov.uk/government/.../protecting-children-from-radicalisation-the-prevent-duty

Please click the link below to view the official Prevent Strategy Review: assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/.../attachment_data/file/97976/prevent-strategy-review.pdf