

ST ANNE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



POLICY FOR PREVENTING RADICALISATION AND EXTREMISM

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Overview

St Anne's Catholic Primary School takes seriously its duty under the Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015 and the Prevent Duty Guidance for England and Wales (updated 2023). We are committed to preventing pupils and staff from being radicalised or drawn into extremism in all its forms. This policy is aligned with current safeguarding frameworks and the latest Department for Education guidance.

Objectives

- Prevent pupils and staff from being radicalised or drawn into extremism, including terrorism and hate-driven ideologies.
- Take timely and appropriate action to protect children from harm.
- Maintain vigilance towards harmful behaviours by adults or pupils.
- Ensure safe and responsible use of the internet and digital technologies, raising awareness of online radicalisation risks.
- Ensure immediate reporting of any concerns to the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL).
- Build strong partnerships with parents/carers, local safeguarding boards, and external agencies for effective support and intervention.

Strategies

- Promote community cohesion and actively teach fundamental British values through a broad, balanced, and inclusive curriculum.
- Work collaboratively with parents and carers to raise awareness and prevent radicalisation.
- Provide ongoing training and professional development for all staff to recognise signs of radicalisation and respond effectively.
- Embed safeguarding and Prevent Duty principles in all school activities, including assemblies, PSHE, and online safety education.
- Ensure pupils understand how to keep themselves safe from radicalisation, including safe internet and social media use.
- Regularly review and update risk assessments related to radicalisation and extremism.
- Maintain clear procedures for reporting concerns, ensuring all staff are familiar with them.

Outcomes

- A safe, inclusive, and supportive school environment where pupils and staff are protected from radicalisation risks.

- Strong community links and active engagement with parents and external agencies.
- Monitoring and evaluation of the policy's effectiveness through regular safeguarding audits and feedback.
- Compliance with all statutory safeguarding requirements and Ofsted expectations regarding the Prevent Duty.

Links to Other Policies

This policy should be read alongside:

- Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy
- eSafety and Acceptable Use Policy
- Behaviour Policy
- Equality Policy
- British Values and Community Cohesion Policy

Review

This policy will be reviewed annually or sooner if there are significant changes in legislation or guidance.
