



Prevent Policy





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1. Introduction

1.1. The Counter-Terrorism and Security Act (July 2015) requires academies to "have due regard, in the exercise



Educate pupils on the appropriate use of social media and the dangers of downloading and sharing inappropriate material including that which is illegal under the Counter- Terrorism Act.

Ensure that pupils are unable to access any inappropriate internet sites whilst using the academy computers / laptops using appropriate filtering, firewalls and security settings.

Educate pupils through lessons and assemblies on the concepts of radicalisation and extreme ideology.

Inform pupils on the importance of Internet Safety both through the ICT curriculum and PHSE education.

4.2. Routinely monitor reports regarding pupils' online activity and respond immediately to any concerns.

4.3. Please refer to the Trust's online Safety and Acceptable Use for IT policies for further details.

5. **Visitors to the Academy**

5.1. In order to safeguard pupils from visitors to the Academy who may have extreme or radical views the Academy will:

Ensure all visitors to the Academy are carefully vetted and take immediate action if any individual or group is perceived to be attempting to influence members of the Academy community, either physically or electronically.

"Open source" check any organisations which wish to have relationships with the Academy, particularly those in the voluntary sector.

5.2. A DRET vetting procedure template is available and should be used to show that the Academy has considered the suitability of visiting speakers well in advance of any invitation to visit the Academy.

6. **Staff Training**

6.1 In order to fulfil the requirements of the Prevent Duty the Academy will:

Ensure the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) undertakes Prevent awareness training and can provide advice and support to other members of staff on protecting children from the risk of radicalisation.

Ensure staff are trained to be vigilant in spotting signs of extremist views and behaviours and that they always report anything to the DSL which may suggest a pupil, another staff member or a visitor is expressing opinions which may cause harm.





of terrorist ideology. Designated safeguarding personnel will use regular risk assessments to further all colleagues' understanding of the contextual risks to pupils at the academy and how to identify pupils who may be at risk of radicalisation.

9. Hiring & Lettings

9.1. Any organisations or individuals wishing to hire the Academy will be "open source" checked to confirm that they do not have any extreme or radical views. This requirement will also be included in any Letting Agreements.

10. What should you do if you suspect a vulnerable person might be in danger of radicalisation?

10.1. Pass on your concerns to the DSL. Any pupil who is deemed to be at risk of being radicalised will be referred by the DSL as appropriate through the Local Authority Channel Referral and Intervention processes.

11. Managing Referrals & Working in Partnership

11.1. The Academy will work in partnership with the relevant agencies, including all local safeguarding partners, to seek advice, support and guidance in supporting pupils at risk of harm.

12. Educational visits and the Prevent Duty

12.1. The visit leader should check the Foreign and Commonwealth Office website for information about local laws and customs. This will provide further information about threats to security and terrorism. The visit leader should also check published alerts about major national cities such as Birmingham and Manchester, and only take the trip if it is considered safe to go. These decisions must be made in conjunction with the Principal and the Trust and in accordance with OEAP National Guidance.

13. Policy Review

13.1. This policy will be reviewed at least every year to assess its implementation and effectiveness.

13.2. This policy does not form part of any employee's contract of employment. The Trust may alter or adapt this policy, and any components of it, at any time provided it notifies the Trustees.

14. Record keeping

14.1. The Trust will retain records evidencing compliance with this policy, as set out in the Trust's Data Retention Policy.

15. Policy Status

15.1. This policy does not form part of any employee's contract of employment.

16. Related Policies

16.1. This policy is related to the following other Trust policies:

Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy

The social media policy