

Where to go for more information

Contact the school

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 school.

See our policies

You will find more details about radicalisation in our Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy and our Tackling Extremism and Radicalisation Policy available on our website.

[Doddinghurst Infant School](#)

External sources

The following sources may also be useful for further information:

Prevent duty guidance

[Prevent Duty Guidance](#)

What is Prevent? Let's Talk About it

[What is Prevent](#)

Essex Police

[Advice and information](#)

Protecting Children

[Protecting children from radicalisation the prevent duty](#)

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[PREVENT POLICY AND GUIDANCE](#)

**Remember: It's good to talk –
we're here to listen!**



THE PREVENT STRATEGY



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 the extreme right-wing, violent groups and other causes.

How does the Prevent strategy apply to schools?

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

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

Importantly, we can provide a safe place for children to discuss these issues so they better understand how to protect themselves.

What does this mean in practise?

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

These include:

- Exploring other cultures and religions, and promoting diversity through literature;
- Challenging prejudices and racist comments;
- Developing critical thinking skills and a strong positive self-identity;
- Promoting the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of children, as well as British values such as democracy.

We will also protect children from the risk of radicalisation, for example by using filters on the internet to make sure they can't access extremist and/or terrorist material, or by vetting visitors who come into school to work with children.

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 – a violent action against people or property, designed to create fear and advance a political, religious or ideological cause.

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

Frequently Asked Questions

How does Prevent relate to British values?

Schools have been required to promote British values since 2014, and this will continue to be part of our 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.

The school will make sure any discussions are suitable for the age and maturity of the children involved.