

Prevent Action Plan

The Acorn Partnership recognises that it has a duty under Section 26 of the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act, 2015, in the exercise of its functions, to have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism.

Duty	What this means	Action	By whom		
Risk assessment					
Assess the risk of children being drawn into terrorism	Staff can demonstrate a general understanding of the risks affecting children and young people	All staff have read relevant section(s) of "Keeping Children Safe in Education", September 2024.	All staff		
		The Prevent Lead has informed staff of their duties as set out in "The Prevent Duty" (DfE, March 2024), through safeguarding training.	Prevent Lead		
	Staff can identify individual children who may be at risk of radicalisation and how to support them.	The Prevent Lead has informed staff about signs and indicators of radicalization, through safeguarding training.	Prevent Lead		
	There is a clear procedure in place for protecting children at risk of radicalisation	All staff have read the partnership's Safeguarding Policy which includes a statement regarding the school's "Prevent" duty.	All staff		
		All staff understand how to record and report concerns regarding risk of radicalisation.	All staff		
	The partnership has identified a Prevent Lead	All staff know who the Prevent Lead is and that this person acts as a source of advice and support. The Executive Headteacher, Teresa Bosley, is the Prevent Lead.	All staff		
Prohibit extremist speakers and events in the partnership	The partnership exercises "due diligence" in relation to requests from external speakers and organisations using school premises.	Request an outline of what the speaker intends to cover	Prevent Lead		
		Deny permission for people/organisations to use school premises if they have links to extreme groups or movements.			
		Provide justification for their decisions in writing.			



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Working in Partnership					
The partnership is using	Staff record and report concerns in line with existing policies and procedures.	All staff record and report concerns on CPOMS	All staff		
existing local partnership arrangements in exercising its Prevent duty.	The Prevent Lead makes appropriate referrals to other agencies including the Multiagency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) and Channel Panel.	Referrals are followed up appropriately.	Prevent Lead		
Staff Training					
Equip staff to identify children at risk of being drawn into terrorism and to challenge extremist ideas.	Assess the training needs of staff in the light of the partnership's assessment of the risk to pupils of being drawn into terrorism.	Ensure that the Designated Safeguarding Lead undertakes Prevent Awareness Training. Ensure that the Designated Safeguarding Lead is able to provide advice and support to other members of staff on protecting children from the risk of radicalisation.	Designated Safeguarding Lead/Prevent Lead		
		Relevant staff have completed the "General Awareness Training on Channel".	All staff		
IT Policies					
Ensure that children are safe from terrorist and extremist material when accessing the internet in school	The partnership has policies in place which refer to the "Prevent" duty.	A range of polices are available of the website for parents linked to the Prevent duty.	Prevent Lead		
	Children are taught about on- line safety with specific reference to the risk of radicalisation.	The curriculum reflects this duty.			
Building children's resilience to radicalisation					
Ensure that pupils have a "safe environment" in which to discuss "controversial issues".	Pupils develop "the knowledge, skills and understanding to prepare them to play a full and active part in society	Through PSHE, and other curriculum activities, pupils are able to explore political, religious and social issues. Pupils are taught about the diverse national, regional and ethnic identities in the UK and the need for mutual respect.	All staff Other relevant staff		