



ASHGATE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Prevent Statement

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Supporting Documents:

- School Handbook
- DFE Prevent Duty Guidance

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Prevent Duty

Preventing Radicalisation in school

We recognise that Ashgate Primary School staff and governors play a vital role in keeping children safe from harm, including from the risks of extremism and radicalisation, as well as promoting the welfare of children in our care and the wider community we serve.

Building resilience in our young people and the promotion of fundamental British values is at the heart of preventing radicalization through the Prevent Duty. We do this by providing a safe place in which children can discuss issues, and we aim to give them the knowledge and confidence to challenge extremist beliefs and ideologies.

Our Duty

The Prevent Duty, is carried out under the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015, which legally requires schools to take steps to prevent pupils from being drawn into terrorism or promoting/participating in or being subject to radical views and actions. Derby City is a high priority location for both religious based and right wing radicalisation and therefore the Prevent Duty is key to securing effective safeguarding of pupils at Ashgate Primary School.

We take this duty seriously and carry out the four main actions responsibly, namely:

- Risk assessment and vulnerability identification (individual and wider groups).
- Working in partnership with wider agencies.
- Staff training and awareness.
- Curriculum delivery and associated policies.

Two senior leaders (Mr Seargent and Mrs Forte) are trained in assessing the risks within the community, identifying common themes and observations that may lead to/ evidence radicalisation and how to access support and report concerns to third parties. All staff are reminded of their duty to report matters and are briefed on key radicalisation indicators.

Accountability

- The nominated School Prevent Duty Officer is Mr Seargent (Mrs Forte in his absence)
- The Nominated East Midlands Prevent Support Officer is PC J Basra, Derbyshire Constabulary

What we do if there is a concern

If we have a concern about a particular pupil or group we will follow the school's normal safeguarding procedures, including discussing with the school's designated safeguarding lead (Mr Seargent), and where deemed necessary, with children's social care. In Prevent priority areas, including Derby, the local authority has a Prevent duty lead who can also provide support.

If we assess a child as at risk, we will refer to the dedicated East Midlands Prevent Duty Officer who focus on providing support at an early stage to people who are identified as being vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism.

If contact with the Duty Officer is not possible, we will contact the local police force directly or dial 101 (the non-emergency number). They can talk to us in confidence about concerns and help us gain access to support and advice.

The Department for Education has dedicated a telephone helpline (020 7340 7264) to enable staff and governors to raise concerns relating to extremism directly. Concerns can also be raised by email to counter.extremism@education.gsi.gov.uk. The helpline is not intended for use in emergency situations, such as a child being at immediate risk of harm or a security incident.

In an emergency situation we will follow the recommended emergency procedures and contact the Designated East Midlands officer or call 101 (999 if a threat is imminent).