

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.

External sources

The Prevent duty guidance is available at the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/prevent-duty-guidance>

More information can also be found on the Cumbria Police website at:

<https://www.cumbria.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/t/prevent/prevent>

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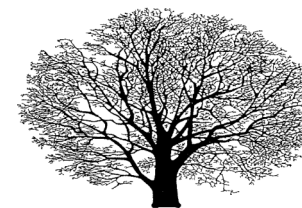
www.cumbriasafeguardingchildren.co.uk

The full Child Protection/Safeguarding policy can
be accessed via our

Website -

www.high-hesket.cumbria.sch.uk

or is available from the school office



High Hesket Primary School

**PREVENT
information leaflet**

What is The Prevent Strategy?

Prevent is a government strategy designed to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorist or extremist causes.

How does the Prevent strategy apply to schools?

All schools (as well as other 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.

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

Useful websites:

Educate against hate website
www.educateagainsthate.com

Action counters terrorism
actearly.uk

What does this mean in practice?

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
- Challenging prejudicial comments
- Developing critical thinking skills and a strong, positive self-identity
- Promoting the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of pupils, 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 terrorist material, or by vetting visitors who come into school to work with pupils.

Different schools will carry out the Prevent duty in different ways, depending on the age of the children and the needs of the community.

Frequently Asked Questions

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.

Is extremism really a risk in our area?

Extremism can take many forms, including political, religious and misogynistic extremism. Some of these may be a bigger threat in our area than others.

We will give children the skills to protect them from any extremist views they may encounter, now or later in their lives.

