

**Extra Information:**

Prevent duty guidance for England and Wales, HM Government:

[https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/445977/3799\\_Revised\\_Prevent\\_Duty\\_Guidance\\_\\_England\\_Wales\\_V2-Interactive.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/445977/3799_Revised_Prevent_Duty_Guidance__England_Wales_V2-Interactive.pdf)

Frequently asked questions, Prevent for Schools

<http://www.preventforschools.org/>

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# The Prevent Strategy

Wolsey House Primary School



## What is the Prevent Strategy?

Prevent is a Government strategy designed to stop people becoming involved in extremist behaviour or terrorism.

The Prevent Strategy covers all types of terrorism and extremism, including the extreme right wing, violent Islamic groups and other causes.

## How does the Prevent Strategy apply to schools?

From July 2015, 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 the same way we protect them from drugs or gang violence.

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

## What does this mean in practice?

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

These include:

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

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

Key Terms:

**Extremism**-vocal or active opposition to fundamental British values such as democracy, the rule of law and the tolerance of different faiths and beliefs.

**Ideology**-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 terrorism

## 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
- Mutual Respect
- Tolerance of different faiths and beliefs

## Is extremism really a risk in our area?

Extremism can take many forms, including political, religious and misogynistic extremism. Different forms, such as the Far Right, can be a greater risk than others, depending on the area. At Wolsey House, our aim is to give children the skills to protect themselves from any extremist views they may encounter, now or later in their lives.