**“Prevent” Action Plan**

**Statement of Intent**

The Village Saints 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.

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| **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 “Keeping Children Safe in Education”, September 2024. * The Prevent Lead has informed staff of their duties as set out in “The Prevent Duty” (DfE,April 2021). <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/prevent-duty-guidance/revised-prevent-duty-guidance-for-england-and-wales> | **All staff**  **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 radicalisation. | **Prevent lead** |
|  | There is a clear procedure in place for protecting children at risk of radicalisation. | * All staff have read the Safeguarding Policy which includes a statement regarding the school’s “Prevent” duty. * All staff understand how to record and report concerns regarding risk of radicalisation. | **All staff**  **All staff** |
|  | The school has identified a Prevent Lead: the Head Teacher | * All staff know who the Prevent Lead is and that this person acts as a source of advice and support. | **All staff** |
|  | The prevent lead will conduct a full prevent self-assessment for the Partnership | * The school will complete the Norfolk Prevent self-assessment | **Prevent lead** |
| Prohibit extremist speakers and events in the school | The school 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 * Research the person/organisation to establish whether they have demonstrated extreme views/actions. * 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. | **Prevent lead** |
| **Working in Partnership** | | | |
| The school uses existing safeguarding arrangements in exercising its Prevent duty. | Staff record and report concerns in line with existing policies and procedures. | * All staff record concerns on CPOMs and report them to a DSL. * Records of referrals are kept in the Welfare File. | **All staff** |
| Referrals are made to relevant agencies where a Prevent concern is identified. | The Prevent Lead makes appropriate referrals to other agencies including CADs and Channel Panel. | * Prevent referrals are made CADs 0344 800 8021 * Advice may be sought regarding Prevent concerns by calling Norfolk Police on 101 and ask for the Prevent Team * Referrals should be made using the LSCB Referral Form and the Exploitation Checklist should be completed. * The Prevent lead supports the Channel process by sharing information and carrying out agreed actions. | **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 school’s assessment of the risk to pupils at the school of being drawn into terrorism. | **As a minimum the school should:**   * 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. * All staff complete the Home Office on-line training and update annually   [www.elearning.prevent.homeoffice.gov.uk/](http://www.elearning.prevent.homeoffice.gov.uk/) | **Designated Safeguarding Lead/Prevent Lead**  **Relevant staff identified by the Prevent Lead** |
| **IT Policies** | | | |
| Ensure that children are safe from terrorist and extremist material when accessing the internet in schools | The school has policies in place which make reference to the “Prevent” duty. | * Relevant policies in place and embedded: * E safety policy * Acceptable use policy * Anti-bullying policy | **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/Citizenship, 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. * Staff and pupils are aware of the “Let’s Talk About It” website. [www.ltai.info](http://www.ltai.info) * Relevant staff are aware of the government guidance :   <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/guidance-on-promoting-british-values-in-schools-published/> | **PSHE staff**  **Other relevant staff** |

**References:**

“Keeping Children Safe in Education: Information for all school and college staff” DfE, September 2024

“The Prevent Duty: Departmental advice for schools and childcare providers”, DfE, April 2021

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