

Appendix to Child Protection/Safeguarding Policy

PREVENT Safeguarding Objectives

Within The Appleton School we will adopt the Prevent strategy specifically:

- Respond to the ideological challenge of terrorism and the threat we face from those who promote it;
- Prevent people from being drawn into terrorism and ensure that they are given appropriate advice and support: and
- Work with sectors and institutions where there are risks of radicalisation which we need to address.

The Appleton School can help to protect children from extremist and violent views in the same ways that we help to safeguard children from drugs, gang violence or alcohol. Any concerns of this nature will be passed to Mrs Cruse in the same way as other child protection issues.

The purpose must be to protect children from harm and ensure that they are taught in a way that is consistent with the law and our values. Awareness of prevention and the risks it is intended to address are both vital. All staff will receive training in line with the PREVENT resources. Staff can help identify, and to refer to the relevant agencies, children whose behaviour suggests that they are being drawn into terrorism or extremism.

Schools of all kinds can play a role in enabling young people to explore issues like terrorism and the wider use of violence in a considered and informed way. Schools can facilitate understanding of wider issues within the context of learning about the values on which our society is founded and our system of democratic government. These are important for reasons which go far beyond Prevent but they connect to the Prevent agenda.

PREVENT referrals will be reported in line with other safeguarding procedures.

Mrs Kerridge, Mrs Cruse or Mrs Whitehead could contact Essex Police to discuss any concerns on PREVENT [@essex.pnn.police.uk](mailto:PREVENT@essex.pnn.police.uk).

In case of imminent threat we would contact the Anti-Terrorism Unit via 999.