

Prevent

As part of our ongoing child protection and safeguarding duties we fully support the government's *Prevent Strategy*.

The Government has published guidance for authorities, including schools, on their responsibilities under the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act, which came into effect on 1 July 2015. Under the Act, schools and other authorities have a duty to “have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism”. This duty is known as the *Prevent Duty for Schools*.

At St Erth School, we build pupils’ resilience to radicalisation by promoting fundamental British values and enabling our pupils to challenge extremist views.

We believe that children should be given the opportunity to explore the issues of diversity and understand Britain as a multi-cultural society. We base our approach on the principle that people should treat everyone with respect whatever their race, gender, sexual orientation, religious belief, special need or disability and promote a positive attitude to others with a focus on shared values, whilst developing a high regard for themselves. By building resilience and self-esteem and providing a safe learning environment, children are encouraged to be positive about others and not be influenced by negative peer pressure they may encounter.

The statutory guidance refers to the importance of *Prevent* awareness training to equip staff to identify children at risk of being drawn into terrorism and to challenge extremist ideas. The Home Office has developed a core training product for this purpose – Workshop to Raise Awareness of Prevent (WRAP) which our staff have attended on what *Prevent* is about and how to deal with any issues they may see inside or outside school.

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Government advice site for parents <http://educateagainsthate.com/parents/>

Link to the official Prevent Strategy document https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/97976/prevent-strategy-review.pdf

Prevent Duty for Schools document

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/439598/prevent-duty-departmental-advice-v6.pdf