

# PREVENTING RADICALISATION & EXTREMISM POLICY 2024-25

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# BJPS POLICY FOR PREVENTING RADICALISATION AND EXTREMISM

July 2024 by Mrs S Caplan

## **OVERVIEW**

This school takes seriously its duty contained in the Counter Terrorism and Security Act (2015), to prevent pupils and those working in school from being radicalised or drawn into extremism. We will follow the updated advice contained within the statutory guidance on the legal duty set out in the 'Prevent Duty Guidance: For England and Wales (2023)' in conjunction with the other duties which we already have for keeping pupils safe. Depending upon the individual situation, links may be made using the Channel or Prevent strategies.

### **OBJECTIVES**

- 1. To prevent pupils and those working in school from being radicalised and drawn into extremism
- 2. To take appropriate action to protect children from harm
- 3. To be alert to harmful behaviour by other adults
- 4. To ensure that pupils use the internet safely and to encourage parents to be alert and vigilant to the dangers their children might face.
- 5. To ensure that staff (including supply staff and volunteers) and pupils report any concerns to the headteacher immediately.
- 6. To build strong links with the appropriate outside agencies so that where the school needs specialist help and support it will be activated promptly.
- 7. To create a safe environment where children can understand and discuss sensitive topics.

### **STRATEGIES**

- To continue to promote community cohesion and teach children fundamental British values

   Democracy, Rule of Law, Individual Liberty, Mutual Respect & Tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs.
- 2. To work in partnership with parents to prevent children from being radicalised and drawn into extremism
- 3. To ensure that all staff (including supply staff and volunteers) are alert to recognise signs that pupils are in danger of being radicalised and drawn into extremism done also in conjunction with general safeguarding training
- 4. To teach a broad and balanced curriculum which promotes the spiritual, moral, cultural, mental and physical development of pupils and to prepare them for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of life.
- 5. To ensure that through teaching pupils about the importance of keeping safe that they are alerted to those who might wish to do them harm by radicalising them or drawing them into extremism.
- 6. By raising awareness of safe use of the internet both in school and at home, pupils are alerted to those who would wish to harm them.
- 7. To provide awareness raising training for the staff so that they use this policy appropriately.

### **OUTCOMES**

All school staff (including supply staff and volunteers) will work in partnership with parents and the wider community to prevent pupils from being radicalised or drawn into extremism. The Headteacher/ Principal and Governing Body will assess the impact of this policy and monitor its operation. It should be viewed in conjunction with the school's other policies especially the British Values Policy, Online-Safety Policy, Safeguarding & CP Policy, Equal Opportunities Policy and Behaviour Policy.

# **ACTIONS**

Anyone with concerns should inform the DSL (Designated Safeguarding Lead) or the HT/Principal/ Deputy Head who will decide on their next step of action.

Any concerns will be recorded on CPOMS using headings including Racism, Safeguarding and DSL.

The current DSLs are Mrs Jaysan and Mrs S Caplan, with Rabbi Pearlman, Miss N Taylor, Mrs M Deacon and Mrs M Anderson as the Deputy DSLs.

Minor/ serious concerns can be reported to <a href="www.gov.uk/report-terrorism">www.gov.uk/report-terrorism</a> or call the Counter Terrorism hotline on 0800 789 321 or the Police on 101.

For an emergency situation call the Police on 999.

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure it is current with national guidelines.